

The Caucasian

AND RALEIGH ENTERPRISE.

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Local Matters

The commencement exercises at St. Mary's School and Baptist University for Women were held this week.

John Best, a negro boy, sent to the State prison from Greene county in 1905, has made his escape from the State farm near Tillery.

Mrs. Fabius J. Hayward, wife of Dr. F. J. Hayward, Raleigh, died Thursday afternoon in Philadelphia, where she had gone for medical attention. The remains were brought to Raleigh for interment.

The Agricultural Publishing Company has amended its charter so that the authorized capital stock may be increased from \$10,000 to \$20,000. This company publishes the Progressive Farmer.

Lieut. Alex. H. Brown died Monday at the Soldiers' Home in Raleigh. During the Civil War was a member of Company H, Thirtieth N. C. Infantry. The deceased was from Durham county.

The Raleigh Dental Society gave a banquet at Giersch's Cafe Thursday night, complimentary to Dr. V. E. Turner, the occasion being the commemoration of the fifty years of service of Dr. Turner as a dentist of Raleigh.

Sheriff Sharpe, of Wilson county, Tuesday brought two negro prisoners to the penitentiary. One of the negroes, Roy Goshen, who was sentenced for life for killing a negro. The negro has been violently insane since he committed the murder.

Rev. J. C. Massee, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Raleigh, has resigned to accept a call to the First Baptist Church of Chattanooga, Tenn. Rev. Massee has been pastor of the Tabernacle Church for the past five years.

The Southern Railway is now putting ticket collectors on all passenger trains, the conductor having nothing to do but run the trains. In many of the wrecks the conductors have claimed they were busy taking tickets and forgot their orders, and this change is made to prevent loss of life.

Federal Court convened in Raleigh yesterday, with Judge Thomas H. Purnell on the bench. The term will last two weeks. The most important cases on the docket are those against the five alleged safe-crackers, charged with robbing the postoffice at Dunn and blowing safes at other points in the State.

Hayden Allen, a young white man, was tried in Raleigh police court Thursday and was bound over to the Superior Court in the sum of \$125 for selling liquor. The case is a complicated one. On a prescription in the name of Joe Bailey, Peter Adams gave the money to Allen, who bought the whiskey and delivered it to Adams, this being a violation of the law, according to a recent decision of the Superior Court. Allen was fined \$100, but took an appeal.

Hugh Davis in Wake Jail.

Hugh Davis, a negro, who is alleged to have shot Policeman Eary at Louisburg, two weeks ago, was brought to Raleigh Friday and placed in jail. The jail at Louisburg was guarded Thursday night to prevent a lynching as there was much feeling against the negro. Davis's connection with the case became known Thursday when Lewis Perry, another negro, confessed to a plot to murder the officer. Davis will remain in Wake jail until the next term of Franklin County Court. It is thought that the wounded officer will recover.

Girl's Suitor Shot by Her Mother.

William Luther, a prominent young society man of Monroe, N. C., who had persisted in his attentions to Miss Margaret Thomas against the protests of her mother, was shot and seriously wounded by Mrs. Thomas Sunday night. The young man's condition is not regarded as critical.

\$800 for False Arrest.

After a hard fought contest the jury in the case of Spencer against John P. Cillely, mayor of Hickory, for damages for false arrest, brought in a verdict Tuesday evening of \$800 for the plaintiff. Spencer was foreman of the section force that was tearing up the railroad track about the depot last year. On refusing to obey the mayor's order to stop work, he was put in the lockup and kept there one night.—Newton Enterprise.

Man Wanted to Be Hit by Lightning and Was Accommodated at Once.

Cumberland, Md., May 21.—George Martin, living near Hancock, was killed by lightning while sitting under an apple tree. When the storm came up, two companions remarked about the danger and went into the house nearby. Martin said he would stay where he was and "wished the good Lord would strike him with lightning."

In a few minutes a bolt shattered the tree, killing Martin instantly. He was about thirty-five years old and an eccentric character.

Governor Sparks, of Nevada, Dead.

Governor John Sparks, of Nevada, who had been ill for some time, died Saturday at his ranch near Reno.

POLL TAX SHALL BE TWO DOLLARS.

Decision Handed Down by the Supreme Court Monday Afternoon.

The poll tax in North Carolina, according to the decision handed down by the Supreme Court Monday afternoon, shall not exceed two dollars on the head.

The court reversed the decision of the lower court in the case of Hallway vs. Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, and the decision of the Supreme Court is based on the fifth article of the Constitution of North Carolina, which declares that the "State and county tax shall never exceed two dollars on the head." A city may also levy as much as both the county and State and the total poll tax, therefore, the tax may be as high as four dollars, but not greater.

The opinion was written by Justice Connor and was concurred in by the other justices.

Since practically eight-five counties have been levying a poll considerably greater than two dollars on the head the decision will prove one of the most important ever handed down in North Carolina. It will affect practically every county and municipality in the State, in some instances causing change in the basis of taxation.

A STRENUOUS LAW OFFICE.

"One of the busiest men in Washington" who "has built up a splendid law practice."

(Wash. Cor. Charlotte Observer.)

It might be said that Mr. Marlon Butler is one of the busiest men in Washington. He has built up a splendid law practice, which pays him handsomely. Some time ago he argued and won a case before the Supreme Court for a claim of \$780,000. His fee for this was very large. Last week he argued a case that involves more than two million dollars before the Court of Claims and feels pretty certain that he will gain that. His office is one of the most strenuous places in the Capitol. To him one must wait his turn.

Mr. Butler and family live at the Portland, an excellent apartment hotel near Franklin Square. Mrs. Butler is a favorite in Washington society, especially with the Southern element. She was a Miss Faison, of Sampson county.

I have been here three months and have seen Mr. Butler at the Capitol, except one day, when he spoke before the Supreme Court, during that time. He sticks close to his law office, in the Bond Building, during work hours, and his spare time is spent on the golf links, where he takes his recreation and rest.

Mr. David H. Gill Accidentally Shoots Himself.

A special from Henderson to Sunday's Charlotte Observer says: "This morning at 8 o'clock while David H. Gill, Esq., formerly judge of probate and one of the most progressive farmers of the county, while superintending some work on his premises, accidentally shot himself with a pistol, inflicting a wound which it is feared will prove fatal."

VOICE FROM CHATHAM COUNTY.

Letter From a Colored Man Gives Good Advice to Other Members of His Race.

Haywood, N. C., May 21, 1908.
To the Editor of The Caucasian.
Kind Sir:—I wish to say to the management of your paper that I am more than obliged to you for continuing your paper to me and that in a few days I will settle for new subscription for the coming year. I only wish that your paper could reach more of our people, for it is doing a world of good wherever it is read.

It Reached the Spot.

Mr. E. Humphrey, who owns a large general store at Omega, O., and is president of the Adams County Telephone Co., as well as of the Home Telephone Co., of Pike county, O., says of Dr. King's New Discovery: "It saved my life once. At least I think it did. It seemed to reach the spot—the very seat of my cough—when everything else failed." Dr. King's New Discovery not only reaches the cough spot; it heats the sore spots and the weak spots in throat, lungs and chest. Sold under guarantee at all druggists. 50c. and \$1. Trial bottle free.

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Effective Saturday, November 16, and each Saturday thereafter until further notice, tickets will be sold from all stations to Raleigh and Fayetteville at rate of one fare for round-trip, with minimum rate of 25 cents.

Tickets will be on sale for and honored only on the morning trains; and will be good to return only on date of sale. Passengers purchasing tickets on trains when starting from agency stations will be charged ten cents extra.

J. A. MILLS, President.
Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 11, 1907.

Notice of Administration.

Having qualified as administrator of Melvin Hall, late of Wake county, the creditors of his estate are notified to present their claims to me or to my attorney on or before the 15th day of March, 1908; otherwise this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

SIDNEY HALL, Administrator of Melvin Hall.
J. C. L. HARRIS, Attorney.
Raleigh, N. C., March 7, 1908.

I wish to say further, that the Lord saw best to let the yoke of bondage be removed to be a blessing to us and to all nations with whom we should come in contact. We owe thanks to some one for this freedom. Now to whom shall we give thanks?

The Caucasian and other North Carolina publications have done much through their columns for the uplift of the negro along mental, moral and educational lines. We have had forty-four years in which to better ourselves. In some parts we are doing better, and in others we are letting well enough stand alone.

We people of Chatham thank you for what you have done, and are still doing for us; and we hope you will still take an interest in us as a race set apart to itself and help us all you can to improve ourselves; and if we cannot do better along some lines, I for one want to do as the two brothers did over the corn that they owned when it came to dividing—one took the milk part and the other the head. I shall certainly want the milk part.

I would like you to advise through your paper the organization of Farmers' Associations among our people, as most of your readers are farmers. We find here in Chatham little thought for mental and social improvement.

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The great thing needful is teaching common-sense and that around the fireside and the former love of father and mother displayed before the children of the home. To educate the child with common-sense will make a smart child, and to bring up one without it leads to failure in his life's work.

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