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SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Of No. 2 and 3 Townships to Be Held at Poplar Tent--Program of the Exercises With the Subjects of the Addresses.

On Saturday, the 5th day of August, a Sunday School convention of Nos. 2 and 3 township will be held at Poplar Tent. We give below the principal part of the program as arranged by W. J. McLaughlin and Chas. Rankin, secretaries of the two townships. Opening prayer by Rev. G. L. Cook.

Address of welcome by Morris Caldwell.

Response by ——— Reports from the superintendents of different schools.

Address by Rev. J. F. Pharr. Subject—Object of the Sabbath School.

Address by Rev. G. L. Cook. Subject—Where rests the responsibility of successful Sabbath School work.

Address by Rev. J. J. Eades, pastor of Shiloh church. Subject—Why do not parents take more interest in the Sabbath School.

Address by Rev. Jas. H. Lippard. Subject—Reason of failure in the Sabbath School work.

The Sunday Schools are urgently requested to send delegates to this convention, and also send their choirs to assist in the music. It is the intention of the officers to make this one of the most interesting of meetings.

These Are Dog-Days.

Many a young boy about the time he commences to go in swimming in the summer experiences being told that he must not go in the water if he has any sores on his body as it is dog-days. All have heard the expression but for fear many do not know the origin of the expression and the time of their beginning, we publish what is taken from Spoford's Encyclopaedia: "It is the name applied by ancients to a period of about forty days, the hottest season of the year, at the time of the heliacal rising of Sirius, sometimes called the dog star. The time of rising is now, owing to the precession of the equinoxes, different from what it was to the ancients (July 1st) and the dog-days are now counted from the 3rd of July to August 11, that is, twenty days before and twenty days after the heliacal rising. At this time persons are more careful as to any wounds on their body as water sometimes tends to irritate them.

Their Commissions Received.

The commissions as officers in the State Guard have been received by the captain, Mr. Edward Hill, and the first lieutenant, Mr. Eli Goldston. The second lieutenant's position is open, Mr. Jas. F. Goodman having resigned. The commissions are the same as was issued to these officers on the 16th day of November, 1896, except that this company is now Company L, the place it had in the recent service.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's Cough remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction, we feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.—Respectfully, Mrs. S. Doty, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by M. L. Marsh & Co., druggist.

Mr. Tom Barringer is quite sick. He has fever.

WORKING ON TAXES.

The Value of Some of the Property Decreased—To Examine the Treasurer's Books—More Bills Paid--A Gift to the Firemen.

On Monday and Tuesday the county commissioners were kept busy listening at the complaints made by different parties as to the valuation of their property. In quite a number of cases after careful investigation the valuation was decreased and in a few cases the value was raised. Quite a number gave their returns, having failed to return while the lists were in the hands of the listtakers.

Robert E. Gibson and John P. Allison were appointed a committee to examine the books of the county treasurer.

Five dollars was contributed by the county to the Concord Hose and Reel company. This was a gratuitous payment.

Several persons had failed to present their bills as listtakers and assessors and were paid their amounts, which amounted to about \$50.00.

It is a busy time now in Register Johnson's office. He and his assistants will be kept busy working on the taxes. They have all of them to compute and have ready for the sheriff the first of September.

We Are Found Wanting Again.

The Union boys seem to have been fully prepared to meet our baseball team this week and must necessarily have done some good work on the diamond. Our boys have been gaining victories with a few exceptions but the tide turned on us when they struck these South Carolinians. They are finer than the Cheraw boys, though, and we hear so far no complaints as to the umpire but simply hear from the score, which in Tuesday's game resulted in 15 to 4 against us.

Their Young Child Dead.

At this period in the year sickness of infants is especially prevalent, and already numbers of parents of our county have been made sad by the death of their last-born. Today (Wednesday) Mr. and Mrs. Chas. P. Caldwell, of No. 2 township, parted with their 18-months old child. It will be buried at Poplar Tent.

Death Caused by Lightning.

One day last week, near Fayetteville, Andrew Murdock and two mules were instantly killed by lightning. They had taken shelter under a tree during a storm. Another man was badly hurt also and will probably not recover.

THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS

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Mr. Bryant Sorry.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. H. E. C. Bryant, one of the writers of the Charlotte Observer, who only a short while ago was very sick with appendicitis, has taken a second attack. He is at the State hospital at Morganton.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The doctor I called on said at first that it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then said I had rheumatism. It continued to grow worse and I could hardly get around to work. I went to a drug store and the druggist recommended me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I tried it and one-half of a 50-cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends.—F. A. Babcock, Erie, Pa. It is for sale by M. L. Marsh & Co., druggist.

GILES PEARSON CAPTURED.

He Left Concord On Short Notice But Is Captured In South Carolina--Going About Under a Different Name.

Several months ago the cash drawer from the safe of the Fenix roller mill was taken out and a considerable amount of money was gained by the thief, which proved to be the small boy of Giles Pearson, colored. The boy is in jail, having been captured at Haile Gold Mine some time ago by Ex-Chief of Police Boger. Giles Pearson, the boy's father, is accused of receiving the money the boy stole and of concealing it.

The fact that Giles failed to show up at the last term of court as a witness in the case makes it look still worse for him. Ex-Chief Boger has had his eye on the negro for some time and brought him here Tuesday night. The negro had been at Haile Gold Mine, S. C., until about the middle of last month when he went to Gaffney, where last Sunday he was arrested by an officer there and held until Mr. Boger went after him. Since giving Concord the dodge Giles has been using the name of Rev. G. W. Henerson in that county and has received mail so addressed. He is now in jail awaiting his fate at the hands of the Superior court.

Final Settlement With the County.

At the meeting of the county commissioners this week a final settlement was made with Ex-Sheriff Buchanan for the taxes collected, and the remainder of these taxes yet uncollected will now be placed in the hands of the solicitor and the extreme means of the law will be used to collect those remaining accounts due the county. As a matter of statistics we will give the amount of the taxes of our county:

County fund,	\$10,121.58
School fund,	11,806.43
Road tax of No. 10 township,	6,130.27
Road tax of No. 9 township,	86.28

The above amount is entirely county tax. The amount of tax from this county to the State amounted to \$9,343.26.

The District Conference.

Quite a number have gone to Salisbury this week to attend the meeting of the district conference of the Salisbury district of the Methodist church. Among those present are Messrs. W. R. Harris, Marvin Smoot, and M. J. Freeman from Central church, W. R. Odell from Forest Hill church, J. A. C. Blackwelder and C. D. Robbins from Epworth church, W. L. Winecoff from Mt. Camel church, and Alfred Lefler from Cold Springs church.

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Statement Incorrect.

The statement that we have changed our prices of shaves and hair cuts is false. Our prices are for hair cut 20 cents; for shave 10 cents.

St. Cloud Barber Shop.

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That is the way all druggists sell Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic for chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults refer to it as bitter, nauseating Tonic. Price, 50c.

Original Observations.

Most people believe in a pure-religion.

Many a good man becomes a better to a horse race or a prize fight.

The string is apt to break if a girl has too many young men on it.

Some men who assume to be dogmatic only show their puppyism.

The young man's words have the right ring when he proposes to his sweetheart.

A man cannot gather grapes from a thistle, but he can get currents from electric wires.

The streets will be kept clean now—the ladies have commenced wearing sweeping dresses.

The heathen bows down to wood and stone—the enlightened people kneel to a god of gold.

We are truly only children of a larger growth—in childhood its the mighty doll, in later years the almighty dollar.

The loving glances of an Orange girl's bright eyes are the sweetest messages that come to us by wireless telegraphy.

The nearest approach to an angel in this world is a girl arrayed in spotless white—even the wings are discernable in shadowy outline.—Orange (Va) Observer.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Grant Buchanan, of Charlotte, is spending today here.

—Mr. C. H. Camp, one of our frequent visitors, returned here last night.

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