

One Example of Why the South is a Fool.

The thing of being told that its people are fools for not deserting their political principles is becoming tiresome to those Southern people who have sense enough to know what principle is and too much self respect to ape certain men who regard themselves as over-large pumpkins.

And men like Mr. Taft can't see why the South doesn't vote their ticket. It is simple the South doesn't believe in what the Republican party stands for.

Here is one example, and only a small one at that, why the South votes against the Republican party and is thereby called a fool by Mr. Taft and his school.

The Broad Back of the Average Man. Have you read the article on the first page headed "\$500.00 More a Year for the Average Southern Farmer?"

Mr. Adams Succeeds Judge Neal.

Mr. W. J. Adams of Carthage, a brother of Mr. H. B. Adams of Monroe, was appointed last Saturday by Governor Glenn judge of this, the 8th judicial district, to succeed Judge Neal, who resigned last Wednesday, two years before his commission expires.

The contest for the appointment of Superior court judge of the 8th district to succeed Judge Walter H. Neal, resigned, resulted today in the commission by Governor Glenn of W. J. Adams of Carthage, he having been a close competitor of Judge Neal when he was first appointed by Governor Aycock nearly eight years ago.

The Governor went through a pile of letters and telegrams advising both Adams and R. R. E. Hogue of Monroe for the job and before announcing the appointment of the new judge as a successful lawyer and has served in the State legislature. He is about 48 years old.

The Governor decided several hours to bearing decisions relative to the appointment of a successor to Judge Neal. Major I. J. Hogue of Scotland and U. L. Spence of Monroe headed a delegation in the interest of Mr. Adams, and R. L. Stephens of Monroe headed a delegation in the interest of Mr. E. H. Hogue.

Alleged Murderer Arrested. Newspaper readers will remember that one of the most unusual murders that has occurred in this State in a long time was that of Engineer Holt, who was shot to death while sitting on his engine at Durham ready to start on a midnight run.

COTTON.

Best grade on this market today, 8.55.

Receipts at the markets in the county fell off last week. Monroe got 500 bales, Larksville 211, and Waxhaw 293.

Items from Marshville Vicinity. Mr. Raymond Borie of Lanes Creek township and Miss Leona Smith, daughter of Mr. John Smith, also of Lanes Creek township, were married last Wednesday, December 2nd.

Miss Della Thomas of Burnsville township and Mr. T. B. Goodman of Polkton were married Monday afternoon, Nov. 30. J. P. Boyd officiating. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Jas. W. Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Goodman are popular with a large circle of friends.

The Sunday Times Dispatch. The Sunday issue of the Richmond Times Dispatch, one of the leading papers of the South, under favorable railroad facilities, now reaches Monroe in the afternoon and is sold on our streets for five cents.

The End of Bleached Flour. Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture today announced his decision in the bleached flour controversy, holding that flour bleached with nitrous peroxide is an adulterated product under the law and that it can't legally be sold in the District of Columbia or in the Territories or in any State or in interstate commerce.

Death of Mrs. J. R. Griffin.

Mrs. Mary J. Griffin, wife of Mr. J. R. Griffin, died at her home in Balford township December 8th, 1908. Very impressive services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. E. C. Sander. She was a member of Sandy Ridge Baptist church from her girlhood and loved its ordinances and was faithful in attendance.

Death of Mr. Miles Yandle. Mr. Miles Yandle died at his home near the Crump Mines, in Vance township, December 2nd, 1908. He was the father of six children, two of whom, with the wife and stepmother, survive him.

Don't fail to leave your order for one of these fine fruit cakes. Bruner & Huey.

Details of Drowning at Blewett Falls.

More details of the accidental drowning of Mr. John Clark of Anson county and Mr. Jonah A. Little of this county, which occurred at Blewett Falls on December 3rd, are furnished by the Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer. Five men, including those were at work in one capacity or another constructing and launching a crib, which is the outside part of a coffer-dam which was being constructed at a point in the river.

Mr. Howell, who says he gave up all hope and ceased to struggle, was washed down the river a distance of about 500 feet, where he lodged against a large boulder. He barely had strength to rest his body against the rock and keep his head above water during the 10 minutes it took to take a boat and retrieve him.

Father Shot at Bride and Groom. On last Saturday night Mr. Alva Eubanks and Miss Fionnie Hilton were married by Mr. L. E. Gardner. They were accompanied by Mr. Raymond Eubanks and Mrs. Julia Hunter.

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