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## STATE NEWS.

**Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.**

**Concord Times:** Cholera is playing havoc among the hogs of the town and county. Mess. Brown Bros. have lost \$5, the money value of which is about \$400.

**Lexington Dispatch:** Mr. J. L. Hedrick, of Pinnix, informs us that on one-eighth of an acre of ground last fall he harvested 96 bushels of sweet potatoes. The potatoes were exceedingly large ones—some of them weighing as much as 3 1/2 pounds each.

Some of the penitentiary directors went to the State farm near Weldon to sell the last year's crop of cotton—800 bales. They did not sell, the price offered not being sufficiently high. There were six bidders, all from Norfolk. The highest average price offered was 7.40.

**Newton Enterprise:** With corn and wheat at about a dollar a bushel, pork 10 cents a pound, sweet potatoes 40 cents a bushel, wood \$1.60 a cord, eggs 20 cents a dozen and other farm products at proportionate prices, the farmers are not spending much time complaining about dull times.

**Mrs. Billy Byrum** died at her home in Wake county, last Saturday. Mrs. Byrum had been drawing a pension since 1834. She was the wife of Ransom Byrum, who served in the war of 1812. Mrs. Byrum was 108 years, 10 months and 3 days old. She leaves two children, both daughters, one 82 and the other 71 years old.

**State Auditor Dixon** says the State pension board is annoyed by the receipt of letters of persons applying for pensions saying they are entitled to pensions because they are "good Democrats." He wishes it distinctly understood that there are no politics in the pension law and all meritorious cases are entitled to the allowances.

**Lenoir News:** A few days ago a friend asked us what he could engage in to make some money. I told him to rent a piece of land and make something—anything—to sell. Farm products of all kinds are in demand at profitable prices, and the man who has a good quality of live stock, grain, forage, fruits or vegetables to sell can find ready buyers at good prices.

Mention has been made of the fact that Gov. Aycock resipitated until March 17th, J. A. Gorman, who was under sentence to jail for contempt of court at Statesville. The question is now before the judge of that place whether the governor has the constitutional power to resipitate a person under sentence for contempt; in other words, whether any person save the judge has power to modify the sentence or to defer the penalty imposed.

A special to the Charlotte Observer from Concord says: An incident in the court house Monday shows how an inveterate horse trader may be tripped up when least expecting to be caught. One man sued another over some disputed point in a horse trade, but proposed to compromise the trouble for \$35. The case was called up and the jury empanelled to decide the matter. The defendant looked over the jury carefully and found that out of the twelve men chosen, four had been his victims in former horse trades and he at once proposed to settle rather than let this jury have a chance to pile up damages against him.

A meeting was held in Newbern Monday night and permanent organization of a baseball association was had to get into the State league. Mr. Wm. Dunn was elected president, and T. W. Dewey, T. G. Hyman, E. W. Rosenthal, Clyde Eby and C. L. Stevens were elected as a board of directors. C. L. Stevens and H. B. Marks were elected delegates to attend the meeting at Raleigh to form the State league, and instructed to name C. C. Jordan for an official umpire. The name of the organization is Newbern Athletic association. The directors elected T. W. Dewey treasurer, H. C. Lumsden secretary, and Edward Clark business manager.

**Will Kiger** is a young man of nineteen, a resident of Stokes county, who sometimes labors under the delusion that he is a born humorist. As an example of his effervescent fun, he on Sunday last got hold of Baxter Love, a boy of ten years, and induced him with five cents to swallow twenty-five pills, known as DeWitt's Early Risers. The medicine is a very powerful preparation, and the victim was soon thrown into convulsions. Several physicians were called, and it required their united efforts to save the boy's life. A gentleman from Danbury said yesterday that the little fellow was still alive, but was not considered at all out of danger. The people are indignant, and there were many threats against Kiger, which indicated hard times for that "joker" had the case terminated fatally.

## DOVER ITEMS.

**February 4, 1902.**

Miss Maude Sumrell, of Grifton, is visiting Misses Maude and Blanche Arnold.

The very wet weather last week threw our truck farmers very much behind with their work.

Miss Glennie Kornegay returned Sunday from a two weeks' visit to friends at Newport and reports having had a delightful time.

Mr. L. H. Outlaw has very much improved his dwelling house, having had it newly weatherboarded and built a nice piazza half around it.

Mr. Geo. B. Wilson has purchased the house and lot recently built for him by Mr. Seth West, and Mr. A. P. Thompson has moved into it, Mr. Wilson having decided not to move now.

Mr. Geo. B. Richardson and wife came last night from New York, we learn, to visit his mother, Mrs. Fannie Richardson. We understand that they are en route to the Charleston exposition.

Miss Bettie Thompson, of Goldsboro, who had been visiting her brother in Newbern, stopped here at her brother's, Mr. A. P. Thompson, from Saturday night until Monday, when she returned home.

Mr. A. S. Dixon has moved into his new dwelling which he built on the lot he bought of Mr. Seth West, and Mr. Seymour Carpenter has moved into the Goldsboro Lumber Co.'s house vacated by Mr. Dixon.

Mrs. Bettie A. Outlaw, P. M., has supplied the postoffice with nice U. S. mail boxes, both call and lock, and we doubt if there is now a fourth-class postoffice anywhere with a nicer looking interior than the Dover office.

We are late about it, but we wish to congratulate our townsman, Mr. J. H. West, on his recent marriage to one of LaGrange's worthiest young ladies, and in behalf of all Dover, extend to the accomplished bride a most cordial welcome to the place. May the sunshine of love ever light the pathway of their lives and no shadow or discontent ever enter the threshold of their happy hearts.

It seems, as we have recently been informed, that Prof. McCabens, who had charge of Dover High School before Christmas, acted very unfairly to say the least, in leaving the school as he did. We are informed that he gave the trustees only two days notice before he left, thus allowing them no time to secure a successor and keep the school going on. There is a good opening here for an up-to-date, hustling teacher with a music teacher and assistant. Our trustees are on the lookout for a principal and want to have the school opened up again as soon as possible.

We have heard some complaint, and it seems well grounded, about our "city fathers" not having some much needed work, such as ditching and improving the streets of the town. It is claimed that the taxes have or ought to have been paid by this time and no one can see any use that is being made of the money. There is great need of ditching and other sanitary precautions here and we hope that the gentlemen who have the control of affairs will see that all available means are used without unnecessary delay in putting our town in good sanitary condition.

## GENERAL NEWS.

**Matters of Interest Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.**

The transportation of soldiers to and from Manila last year cost the government \$9,000,000.

Four persons were killed and one man was probably fatally injured as the result of an explosion of gasoline Monday night in a bakery at Boyertown, Pa.

William C. Whitney, financier and ex-secretary of the navy, after 25 years of far-reaching activity in the world of affairs, has decided to retire from business life.

A dispatch from Pueblo, Mex., says: The state government has abolished bull fighting on account of its being barbarous and tending to demoralize the lower classes.

Fire Monday morning nearly destroyed the whole business section of Adelaide, Ga. The loss is about \$40,000. There is about fifty per cent insurance. The buildings were mostly of brick.

Representative Flood, of Virginia, has introduced a bill for a national park at Appomattox, Va., and the erection of a peace monument at that point. The bill is in line with action proposed by the Confederate Veterans' association.

Mrs. Madeline Blackburn, a bride of four weeks, suicided Monday near Franchburg, Ky., by jumping into a creek. She quarreled with her husband and told a friend, Miss Patrick, who attempted suicide also, but was rescued.

There is some alarm in Norfolk, Va., as the Norwegian steamer, Daggery, which is anchored in the harbor. There are on board 1,500 cases of dynamite and many tons of railroad iron and it is feared that the rocking of the ship may cause an explosion.

The unmarried employes of the Salt Lake City Daily News, the Mormon paper, have been notified that unless they marry by June 30th, they will lose their positions. The church authorities have decreed that every man and woman must marry and rear a family.

Owing to excavations for sanitation works and new water supply, a number of cases of yellow fever have appeared at Vera Cruz, Mexico. A new remedy for the fever has been tried there and is said to have given good results; breaking up the fever when well advanced.

Through a misreading or a misunderstanding of orders, a fast passenger and a freight train collided head-on at Limerock, Ga., early Monday morning. Both engineers and firemen jumped and escaped with injuries not necessarily fatal. Mail clerk J. A. Rice, of Jacksonville, Fla., was crushed so that he died in an hour. The wreck caught fire, but the fire was extinguished.

Following the announcement at Harvard commencement exercises last June that J. P. Morgan had agreed to erect, at the cost of a million dollars, three of the buildings reared for the accommodation of the Harvard medical school, President Elliott announced to the medical faculty Saturday night that J. D. Rockefeller proposes to give a million dollars in furtherance of this great project, provided that other friends of the university raise a sum of money in the neighborhood of half a million dollars.

The spectre of an electric chair caused Patrick (on trial for his life in New York for the murder of millionaire Rice) to suddenly change his seat in the courtroom Monday. He was sitting in Molineux's chair when the court officer informed him of the fact. He rose, paled perceptibly, and sat down again as if determined to sit it out, then shuddered, stood up, took his hat and coat and moved his seat near his counsel. The incident caused a sensation, for it was the first time that the prisoner had lost his nerve since the trial. The district attorney announced that Valet Jones takes the stand this week.

Intense excitement exists in the vicinity of the Millstone Mine of the Cumberland Coal Co., near Crossville, Tenn. A crowd of men, thought to be composed of dissatisfied miners and others, recently posted a notice signed with skull and cross bones in red ink, warning the negroes, a few of whom are employed about the mines, and at the company's store, to leave at once. The negroes did not leave and a number of men twice fired into their cabins. The last time the negroes returned the fire and the men retreated. Sunday night the company's commissary was attacked, but William Nixon, son of Manager Nixon, at the head of a number of white employes, charged with Winchester rifles and a pitched battle ensued, the assaulting party retreating to the woods. The situation has been reported to Adjutant General Brandon, who has insured the company protection and the Crossville company of militia is ready to be called out any time they may be needed.

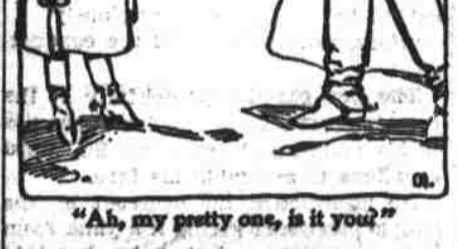
## LaGRANGE ITEMS.

**FREE PRESS BUREAU, LaGrange, Feb. 3, 1902.**

Prof. Turner left for his home in Virginia last week. He will be remembered as "Tuckaboe," the author of the article in The Sentinel that called forth the censure of the editor of The Sentinel, "Justice," and Dr. O. L. Wilson, now of Dunn. Public sentiment crystallized against him and made his abiding place untenable.

"The Old Maids" convention will convene Friday night, February 7th, and an enjoyable evening is promised to all who attend. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the M. P. church. The young ladies have gone to considerable pains and trouble to prepare themselves to entertain and we hope a large audience will reward their efforts.

A few copies of "Grandfather's Tales" by R. B. Creecy, for sale at THE FREE PRESS office, only \$1.00 a copy.



"Ah, my pretty one, is it you?"

### Under Two Flags

"Ouida's" Famous Story

Readers of this newspaper who have not read this fascinating novel have a rare treat in store. A version condensed to proper limits for serial use will be published in these columns beginning soon.

WATCH FOR THE FIRST CHAPTERS

## Opera House

SATURDAY NIGHT, Feb. 8th,

### FANNIE HILL CO.,

Everything New This Season.

Roman and Parisian Statuary.

The greatest little fighter the Pacific Coast ever produced, Kid Berry. The Champion Bantam Weight of the World in Boxing Exhibition.

Pretty Girls, New Songs, New Jokes, New Specialties. Fun for everybody.

## BARGAIN COLUMN.

**A HORSELESS PROPOSITION.**

I have a fine Mule, Harness and Buggy that I wish to sell for cash or on time with good security. The Mule, Buggy and Harness are in good condition. The Mule is gentle, a good driver and will work to anything. Come and look them over.

C. E. SPEAR.

The Bicycle Man.

**YOU DON'T MEAN IT!**

I certainly do, and it is good for either Bread or Pastry. How can he do it? He simply bought one car load at the right time and the right price, and it is right Flour—\$4.50 per barrel while it lasts—at

W. M. CARROLL'S,  
Staple and Fancy Grocer,  
North Street.

**AN EYE OPENER.**

For breakfast use Coffee and Heeken's Tea, and for good things to eat in the Grocery line stop LaRogue & Rountree's wagon, or phone your order, and it will receive prompt attention and free delivery. All the latest delicacies in Canned Goods, Soups, Potted Ham, Chicken, Turkey, Lamb's Tongue, etc. All kinds of breakfast food. Give us a trial order.

WE WANT TO

C-U-B-A customer of ours. Our stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries is complete, new and fresh, and the best the market affords, and our prices are as low as the lowest. Give us one call and convince yourself of the above assertion.

J. H. ALEXANDER,  
General Store.

**DON'T GET MAD**

at your wife just because you did not rest well last night. Was there a lump in the mattress or did the spring sag? If so, you should call and see Quinn & Miller, dealers in Furniture and House Furnishings, and they will make sleeping a comfort. Just think, a White Enamelled Brass Trimmed Bed with Woven Wire Springs and Mattresses for 750 cents.

**WE HAVE NO GRIT**

in our Corn Meal, because our latest improved process separates it from the meal. Phone 49 or 118, and your order will receive prompt attention and free delivery. Sold in small or large quantities. Our specialty is grinding of corn and oats while you wait, and buy any amount you may have and pay liberally.

NEUSE MILLING CO.  
We Have Seed Oats.

**YOU MAY HAVE**

a place to eat and a place to sleep, but how about the clothes you are often judged by? We can make you look like ready money for \$15.00, a suit that is really worth \$18.50 and will equal any tailor-made suit costing \$25.00; a \$15.00 suit for \$12.35, \$12.50 suit \$9.60 and a \$10.00 suit for \$7.60. These clothes are worth your inspection. Call and look them over.

OETTINGER'S.

**ARE YOU ONE**

who is going to build or anticipate building? If so we wish to let it be known that we can furnish on receipt of order Framing and Box Boards, cut from Long Leaf Pines; also all kinds of Dressed Lumber. Come and examine our stock and get our prices before purchasing. Thanking our customers for past patronage and hoping to renew same, we remain, Yours truly,

THE GAY LUMBER CO.  
Prompt Delivery.

**BARGAINS IN PRINTING.**

We have some more of those Letter Heads, Note Heads, Bill Heads and Statements in fine quality colored bond papers, pink and blue. They are good value for price charged. If in need of some stationery examine these goods before making your selection. Letter Heads 500 for \$1.75, 1,000 for \$3.00. Note Heads 500 for \$1.65, 1,000 for \$2.95. Fine Old Hampshire Bond pink Note Heads 500 for \$1.65, 1,000 for \$2.65. Fine blue or pink Bill Heads, 7x8 1/2 inches, 500 for \$1.40, 1,000 for \$2.40. Statements, elegant quality bond papers in blue, pink, lemon or salmon, 500 for \$1.50, 1,000 for \$2.50.

THE FREE PRESS Job Printing Department has on hand a lot of about 20,000 cheap Note Heads it wishes to dispose of quick to make room for more desirable goods. They are cream colored, are strong but not good quality. If any customer can use the entire lot we will sell them printed and padded for only 75 cents per 1,000. In 1,000 lots for \$1.35 per 1,000, in 5,000 lots for 85 cents per 1,000.

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**Profitable Advertising.**

The most effective illustration of the proposition that advertising well done does not increase the expenses of a business is furnished by Walter H. Cottingham, managing director of the Sherwin-Williams company, Cleveland. In referring to this subject during an address delivered at a convention of the concern's representatives, Mr. Cottingham said:

Take a man who is doing a business of \$100,000 per annum, and let us suppose his expenses are \$25,000, which is 25 per cent to his sales. He wishes to increase this business, and he decides to advertise. Let us suppose that he decides on an expenditure for this purpose of \$7,500 per annum. His expenses are then increased to \$32,500. By this expenditure, let us suppose he is able to increase his sales to \$130,000, and at this rate his expenses with advertising added would amount to same percentage as before, namely, 25 per cent. He has not increased the percentage of his expenses and has sold \$30,000 more goods, and if his net profit was 5 per cent, he has increased his net earnings by \$1,500. The amount I have named for advertising such a business should bring even larger results.

These figures deserve a wide circulation. They should be read and studied by every man who has anything to do with advertising. They show that the theory that advertising does not really increase expenses, is susceptible of mathematical demonstration, and they also prove that the cost of advertising does not need to be added to the cost of the goods in order to prevent loss.

When a business man asserts that he can sell cheaper because he does not advertise, he is, although he may not know it, making a false assertion. It is the good advertiser who can afford to undersell all non-advertising competitors.

**Until the stock (of which a good bargain was secured) gives out the Free Press will furnish 500 good blue or pink bond note heads, 500 blue or pink bond bill heads and 500 white XXX envelopes for the very low price of \$3.75, cash with the order. Considering quality of material this is a bargain offer.**

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