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OLD NORTH STATE **NEWS AND GOSSIP**

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

How "Slab Town" Darkies Were Swindled by a Blind Tiger.

Paid a Dollar a Gallon for Water, Thinking it Was Whisky-Good News from Truck Raising Regions-A Bale of Rabbit Skins Shipped from Newton-Crop and Criminal News.

Rural Visitor: A \$25,000 oil mill is the latest enterprise for Fremont.

The American Tobacco company is making arrangements to double their plant in Bocky Mount. They will put in more machinery, and are thinking of moving the wooden building and putting phonious name of "Slab Town." Saturup one of brick.

Newton Enterprise: Mr. Lee M. Selger one day last week shipped 500 rabbit skins in one bunch. They were pressed in a cotton press and went off in the shape of a bale of cotton. It was the first bale of rabbit skins ever shipped The negroes, after sampling the whiskey, from Newton.

T. W. McBride, of the Greenville Reflector, was called to his old home in and wait till some other time for the Jonesboro on account of the sickness of balance. \$2.25. They received their father and mother. Both of them died. money and departed. The negroes at In a few days one of his eleters also died. once set about for a division of their pur-Another was very dangerously sick but chase. They began to pour, but only a recovered. Pneumonia was the cause of pint of whiskey could be poured from it immensely. their deaths.

Durham Herald: George Gregory. colored, who lives in Hayti, awoke yesterday morning and found he was sleeping beside the corpse of his dead wife. She had been dead for quite awile, as he was awakened by coming in contact with her cold flesh. The babe —a small child—was sleeping peacefully in the arms of its dead mother at the time. The woman had evidently passed away while asleep and without a struggle.

Smithfield Herald: A few weeks ago we 180 feet, two stories high, was to be built here for the American Tobacco Co. This will add greatly to Smithfield as a now been completed for the erection of a large stemmery 40x150 feet, three stories high, to be occupied by the Imperial Tobacco Co. This steam plant will be fitted up according to the latest and most modern style, having ample facilities for drying and packing tobacco for shipment to England and other foreign countries.

Wilmington Messenger: The Southern Express Company is now handling some fine lettuce, asparagus and other truck out of Wilmington for the northern markets. The shipment of spring lettuce just begun a few days ago and yesterday 350 barrels went north over the Seaboard Air Line. Today there will be a shipment of 500 barrels over the Atlantic Coast Line. In a few days it is likely that carload shipments will be made. The lettuce crop here is fine and the growers are much encouraged over the outlook. One of them got returns of sales at \$10 a barrel in New York yester-

Chatham Courier: A wagon load of cotton, consisting of five bales, passed through here last Tuesday en route for Durham. The owner said he expected to get 9% cents for it, and that it was anti-stock-law cotton"-raised in a section of this county not under stock law. This reminds us that during one of the stock law contests before the commissioners a short while ago, a friend told us that he was wearing "anti-stock law socks," manufactured of wool from sheep raised outside of stock law territory. "Stock law" and "anti-stock law" are now being used by our county people to designate quite a number of things.

Wilmington Messenger: We learn that strawberries in the Rocky Point section are ripening slowly but the growers hope to be able to make shipments the latter part of the present week. The Middleton, Excelsior, Brandywine and Lady Thompson are the principal berries grown at that point and they will ripen to the order named. The early fruit was

badly damaged by the recent frosts and cold weather but the vines are now showing up nicely and full of berries. The city is now full of the representatives of the produce commission houses of many cities in the north, who always enme here at this season to look after the berry crop. They tell us that they have been through the berry growing section from Chadbourn to Goldsboro and that the recent frosts have done little or no damage except to delay the ripening of berries. The weather has been so cold that shipping will not commence generally till April 20th and probably not before the 25th. The representative of one of the largest commission houses who deal with our growers said that he never saw a finer prospect for strawberries. He says the crop of this section will be the largest in the bistory of berry growing in eastern North Caro-

Mooresville has a suburb inhabited by

negroes exclusively, known by the eu-

day night an episode occurred there that will not be forgotten soon. A blind tiger wagon came along as the shades of evening gathered and offered liquor for sale by the keg, very cheap. The kegs held five gallons each and were offered for \$5. set about to get up the money for two kegs. They succeeded in raising \$7.75 and the liberal dealers concluded to sell each keg. They could hear a liquid shake about in the kegs but it would not come out. They took out the head of one of the kegs by the removal of a hoop. Inside they found a pint flask ingeniously fastened in the bung hole of the keg and entirely surrounded by water. Thus they paid \$7.75 for one quartof whiskey with nine and threefourths quarts of water to weaken it. There is no clue as to who the guilty parties are, but when they come back after the \$2.25 still due they will

NEARBY NEWS

Local Happenings Reported By Free Press Correspondenta.

~~~~ **BEVEN 3PRINGS**

Mr Geo. O. Griffin, who is visiting relatives in Craven county, is very sick.

Mr. J. T. Griffin and Miss Alma Jones, of Mt. Olive, and Mess. Will Sutton and Henry Fields, of LaGrange, were visiting friends near here Sunday.

Rev. N. N. Garst organized a Sunday school at Loftin's school house Sunday, April 6.

Mr. John Singleton and his sister, Miss Ida, spent Sunday night in Goldsboro. Rev. Alfred Rouse filled his regular ap-pointment at Daly's Chapel last cunday. Mr. William Ellis, of Newbern, left for

his home this morning. Mrs. R. B. Johns and children, of Florida, came Thursday. They will spend some time with friends and relatives in

this section. Mr. W. E. Cox made a short visit home last week. He returned to school at Sewanee, Tenn., Monday, accompanied by his sister, Miss Olivia, who will enter

the Fairmount Female Seminary. The Athenian Literary Society of Seven Springs High School gave a recital in the chapel last Thursday afternoon which was very much enjoyed by those present.

The "Chinese Social" given at Seven Springs Hotel last Friday night would have been quite a success had it not been for bad weather. As it was, although have been quite a success had it not been for bad weather. As it was, although very few were present, about seven dollars was cleared, and every one enjoyed Phelps again started the wedding march

JASON.

April 3. Some of the farmers are through plant-

Mr. Wiley Gurganus is very sick.

Mrs. Robert Murrow, of Burlington visited at Mr. R. F. Hadley's last week Miss Helen Hardy epent from Friday till Tuesday with Miss Attle May Fields, at LaGrange.

Miss Maria Smith was united in mar riage to Mr. John Beaman, at the resi



SENATOR JAMES K. JONES AND HIS SUCCESSOR. James P. Clarke, who has beaten Senator Jones in the Arkansas senatorial fight, is ex-synor of Arkansas. Senator Jones is chairman of the Democratic national committee

d-ace of Mr. B. W. Sutton, on March 26 The attendants were Miss Ella Mew borne, with Mr. George Beaman; Miss Viola in contact with the public must be smith, with Mr. W. W. Morris; Miss able to speak the Spanish language Effic Sutton, with Mr. John Mewborne; well enough to deal directly with the and continued to play until they entered the dining room, where a heavy laden table awaited them. The happy couple left at 8 o'clock for their future home at Saratoga. We wish them joy and cherish the hope that the future holds in store for them nothing but happiness and prosperity.

Mess. Henry and James Sutton visited FACTS IN FEW LINES near Goldsboro Sunday.

Honolulu consumes half a ton of candy each day. The first farmers' institute has just been held in Hawaii.

Cast fron blocks are to be used in paving Huddersfield (England) tram-

Fijian islanders are protesting against the proposed establishment of a leper colony at Bega. The lands reclaimed by irrigation in

California, Colorado and other western states aggregate 6,500,000 acres. The new stone viaduct in Luxemburg will be the largest stone arch in the world. It will have a span of 273.6

A fund has been opened for the erection of a statue at Coventry, England, to the late John Stanley, inventor of the safety bicycle.

An international exhibition of motor boats and motor equipments for sailing vessels is to be held on Lake Wannsee, near Berlin, in June. Tahiti advices tell of a case of lep-

rosy reported to have been cured by the fuice of tua-tua, a shrub prepared at the experiment station. Thirty-one Italians have been refused permission to land at Perth, Western

Australia, on the ground that they came under contract to labor. The British war office has issued a "manual of chiropody" for the soldiers,

the importance of care of the feet during marches being the incentive. Twenty persons have taken out insurance policies on the life of a pauper

inmate of Wolverhampton (England) workhouse, who charges half a crown for the privilege. Recent explorations in Egypt have unearthed the consecutive, order of

seventeen kings, thus establishing a firm foundation for the investigation of Egyptian history. Owing to their poor condition it is proposed to transfer the care of the trees on Boston Common from the

charge of the city gardener to that of the department of parks. On the invitation of the czar Emperor William, it is reported, will next July attend the gunnery trials of the Russian naval artillery at Reval and

afterward proceed to St. Petersburg. At Moscow a savings bank has been opened for the purpose of assisting prospective brides to obtain the necessary dowry for catching husbands. Dowrles are expected to range from \$100 to \$1,500.

The promoters of the American sky-scraper in the Strand, London, having been refused a 909 year lease by the city, have decided to build a structure on English plans instead on a nine-nine year lease. Harry R. Fisher of St. Louis owns

Harry R. Fisher of St. Louis owns a chair supposed to have been made in 1800 by Abraham Lincoln's mother and need by the president when he was a boy. The chair is about thirty inches high and entirely of hickory.

The Western Algiers Railway company has decided to offer a premium of \$20 on the birth of every child belonging to its employees. The employee with more than three children is to receive an extra allowance of \$10 per child per annum.

The Mexican government has order ed that all railway employees comin well enough to deal directly with the passengers. Pullman car employees will be principally affected. Last season saw more visitors at Ni

State Library

agara falls than ever before. The su perintendent of the state reservation in a recent report complains of the laxity Timely Topics proposes to call an indigshown in the enforcement of law during the season. Thieves did a good business all last summer, he says. Professor Seybold of Stuttgart has

discovered in the Tubingen university library an Arable manuscript 500 years old which is probably the original of the "Arabian Nights." He has also found manuscripts describing the whole religious system of the Druses. The beautiful Sevres fountain which

was so much admired at the Paris exhibition and which has been practically destroyed by vandals since the close of the show will shortly be replaced with one of more elegant and substantial design, also the work of the famous potters of the Seine.

It has come to pass that advertising is recognized as a science. Its importance as a modern commercial factor is such that the University of Chicago includes advertising in the list of economic subjects for its lecture courses. along with banking and the management of railroads and other great industries.

An Englishman has invented writer's or artist's ring. The ring carries a small steel ball so placed as to revolve freely liv any direction. With the ring in one little finger, so that the ball is at a point of contact with the paper, almost every bit of friction in the movement of the hand upon the writing or drawing material is removed.

A writer in a Catholic periodical notes the striking effect on religious statistics of the acquisition of Porto Rico and the Philippines by the United States. By including the population of the islands as given by the bureau of statistics he finds that of the churchgoing people under the American flag 17,000,000, or more than 60 per cent, are Catholics.

The Western railway of France is about to try a device by which passengers may retain their seats in a railway carriage without resort to the expedient of placing luggage on the place claimed. Over each seat in a compartment is placed a disk, and as each is occupied a number is placed on the disk and a counterfoll is handed to the passenger by the guard. By a recent judicial decision no passenger can claim a seat by placing objects upon it.

Bobbie's Question. The scholars were standing in two little

rows, he sun through the window shone bright, While soft little airs on the tips of their

Came tripping with April delight, And Bobby looked as they gently went

by; They told him a tale of the spring And talk of the clouds in the happy, blue And all that the summer would bring.

He heard not the voice of the teacher at

all; His thoughts had gone out with the sun. He stood with the others, his back to the

wall.

Absorbed till the lesson was done.

"Now ask me some questions," the teacher had cried,

"Just any that chance to occur."

Bob's flagers went up, and he solemnly signed,

long till the holidays, sir?"

Mrs. Durham Cured.

DRAW SIE:—I am a great sufferer from evers nervous headache, and find in Car-mine speedy relief. Also when feeling servous and all broken up, a dose sets ne all right. I take pleasure in recom-mending it as a thoroughly satisfactory woody. Since welly.

TIMELY TOPICS TERSELY TREATED.

Short Local Stories, Editorial Notes.

Garden truck is booming now.

A few mud for variety's sake. Please let up for goodness sake.

April is thus far sustaining its reputation as the month of showers.

Don't know about the goose, but certainly and for sure the beef hangs high.

New moon tonight, New April, fickle jade, try and and settle down and clear

Some of the independent tobacco buyers are wishing the tol-acco trusts might moke each other out.

. . . Man wants but little here below, the while le toils and sweats, He wants but little, I repeat, And that is what he gets.

. . . It is learned from King's Weekly that the people of Greenville are "sumpathingo" with a citizen in affliction. This will no doubt greatly assuage his grief.

... Well, say! Did you ever! Just look at the weather today. Wouldn't it chill your marrows? If this thing keeps up

nation meeting. The falue of newspaper advertising to a town is evidenced by the action of the business men's committee of Paterson, N. J., in getting out a paper for the special purpose of advertising the

city. The moral is obvious. Here's another newspaper saying things which apply equally well to Kinston. Found in the Nashville Graphic: "A dozen men united in their efforts to build up a town can accomplish greater ends than twice that number working separately to accomplish the same purpose. Nashville is blessed with men who desire the upbuilding of the town, who put forth efforts in that direction-all of which is commendable—but there should be more systematic and united action for the furtherance of the interests of the town and community. Let our people get together and pull all at a time and it will not be long ere we have the pret-

tlest and most popular town in the

Too much can not be said in praise of the great exposition number of the Raleigh News and Observer issued today. It consists of 32 pages of glowing description of the possibilities and advantages of North Carolina as an industrial and agricultural State. Able articles are contributed by experte in all the lines and nothing seems to be lacking to make it what it is, the greatest and completest advertisement the State has ever had. Fifty thousand copies will be distributed mainly at and through the Charleston exposition, many of them no doubt will fall into the hands of capitalists and prospectors and the leaven will continue to work for years to come. It is great. Its value is beyond comprehension now. It is a matter for local congratulation that Kinston is well represented and attractively written up for 50,000 readers. Think of it!

AN OLD TIME GROWLER.

I never like the springtime; the weather's most too bright,
An' I've got no chance fer howlin' an'
growlin' lef' an' right.
The winter time is better, but winter will

not stay. But thank the Lord the summer is a-sis-

zin' on the way!
For it's then I'm hard to beat
In growlin' at the heat
' sayin' watermelons air only bitter

I jest wus born fer growlin', no matter how it goes, To pick the world to pieces, find a thorn

with every rose; The sunshine is too blindin', the winter is

The sunshine is too blindin', the winter is too col'.

An' the thunder, to my thinkin', is too reckless in its roll!

Oh, I'm mighty hard to beat Findin' fault with col' an' heat;

The world's a peach, I reckon, but it's only bitter sweet!

a fiery heavenly chariot should come for me today.

I'd want to stop at statums, takin' ice in on the way.

An', landed safe in glory, I hain't got any

doubt
I'd growl about the climate till the good saints turned me out!
Then, when every growler goes.
Where we meet our friends and foes.
I'd growl about the weather till they drowned me with the hose!

—Atlants Constitution.

The Bargain Counter. *

I certainly do, and it is good for eithe 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

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

IF YOU ARE

once a customer of ours you will always be. We keep a full stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries and can fill any of your housekeeping wants in that line. Give us a trial. We'll treat you right.

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 side 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 \$2.00. Note Heads 500 for \$1.35, 1,000 for \$2.25. Fine Old Hampshire Bond pink Note Heads 500 for \$1.65, 1,000 for \$2.65. Fine blue or pink Bill Heads, 7x8% inches, 500 for \$1.40, 1,000 for \$2.40. Statements, elegant quality bond pepers in blue, pink, lemon or salmon \$2.40. Statements, elegant quality pepers in blue, pink, lemon or so 500 for \$1.50, 1,000 for \$2.50.

SPRING HAS COME.

be nabbed or mobbed.

QUINN & MILLER.

YOU DON'T MEAN IT!

J. H. ALEXANDER.

We mean, of course, our line of Bed Springs. You should inspect them. You will find them all bargains. We have a complete stock of Furniture and can supply any of your needs in that line.

OHINN & MILLER.

So does every healthy person, especially when they have something nice. If you buy your groceries from us you will have it and it won't cost you more than it's worth either. Just stop our wagon or 'phone your order. It will have prompt attention. LaBOQUE & ROUNTREE, The Up-to-Date Grocers

THE RIDING SEASON is here, so come and trade your old wheel for a new one and make the exertion of life easy.

KINSTON CYCLE CO.

COME UP.

Yes, if you buy your Seed Oats from us they will beyond a doubt. We also have a large stock of Hay, Grain and Feed. We are headquarters for every-Come to see us.

NEUSE MILLING CO.

W. A. LaRoque's late stand.

ARE YOU ONE

who is going to build or anticipates building? If so we wish to let it be snown 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.

OUR MATERIAL FOR FLUES IS HERE! Tobacco Flues I Tobacco Flues I Tobacco Flues!

Made of Double Seaming Steel. Quality and durability are guaranteed to equal any made for this purpose. Our metal is free from scales, which make it last longer. We are in the flue business not for this year, but as long as we continue business in this city. Therefore we strive to make customers for another year. Our flues are made by workmen who understand how to make fines. Our prices are guaranteed. Can fill orders on one day's notice, send orders or come and inspect our work.

S. H. ISLER, JR.,