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A. J. Burck, Town Marshal.
LODGES.
KNIGHTS OF HONOR, No. 1,720 meets on second and fourth Wednesdays at 7.30 P. M. J. B. Weatherly, Dictator; B. F. McLean, Reporter.
Y. M. C. A., meets every Sunday at 7.30 P. M. W. M. Black, President.

MAXTON GUARDS, W. M. Black, Captain, meets first Thursday nights of each month at 8 P. M.

CHOSEN FRIENDS meet on second and fourth Mondays in each month, Argus Shaw, Ch. Counselor; S. W. Parham, Secretary and Treasurer.

MAXTON LODGE, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIANS, meets every Friday night, except first in each month, at 8 o'clock.

ROBEESON COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY, Rev. J. A. Smith, President; E. K. Proctor, Jr., 1st Vice Pres.; Dr. J. D. Brown, 2nd Vice Pres.; A. D. Brown, Secy.; Wm. B. C. Brown, Treasurer; Ex. Com. Rev. H. G. Hill, D. L. S. Townsend, D. P. McQueen, J. O. Gough, H. McE. Ch. Rm.; Auditing Com., J. P. McE. O. H. Blocker and B. D. Caldwell.

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ADULTING COMMITTEE.
J. P. Smith, D. H. McNeill, J. A. Humphrey, Place of next meeting—Lumberton, N. C. Time of next meeting—Thursday, May 30th, 1890, at 12:30 o'clock a. m. Bibles and Testaments can be purchased of Wm. Black, Depository, Maxton, N. C., at cost.

All churches and Bible Societies in the county invited to send delegates. Forward all collections to Wm. Black, Treasurer, Maxton, N. C.

CHURCHES.
PRESBYTERIAN, REV. DR. H. G. HILL, Pastor. Services each Sabbath at 4 P. M. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Prayer meeting every Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

METHODIST, REV. J. W. JONES, Pastor. Services each Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M.

MASONIC.
MAXTON LODGE A. F. & A. M. meets 1st Friday night in each month at 8 P. M.

GENERAL DIRECTORY OF ROBEESON COUNTY.

Senator, J. F. Payne.
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According to the Chicago Globe, over \$100,000,000 of Government 4 1/2 per cents. will mature next year.

The official labor statistics of England and of the United States have been published. They show, according to compilations made by the Chicago Herald, that the average cost of producing iron in the Northern States is from \$12 to \$15 a ton, and that the average in the Southern States is from \$8.55 to \$13 a ton. In England the average is from \$7.70 to \$9. The average for the whole of this is \$12.37.

"Men are natural cowards, where there's a fire," said a fireman, recently, "put all Barabum's wild animals in that lot over there and then drop a child among them, and, in nine cases out of ten, the father of that child will go in after it. But, let there be an alarm of fire in his house in the night-time and that same man will run into the street and leave his child behind. I have never seen a man suffocated at a fire with a child in his arms, but I have seen women lying dead from suffocation with a child in each arm. The man's first thought is to get into the street when he hears the house is on fire. The woman's first thought is her children."

The New York World concludes that "perhaps it is well enough for a surprise party to find out that they may be the party surprised. Twenty-five well-meaning but misguided friends of Mr. Oscar Palmer, of Aurora, Ill., planned a nice surprise party for him the other evening, but as they did not put in an appearance until after he had retired, he mistook them for burglars and opened fire through the shutters with a revolver. The members of the surprise party were taken very much by surprise, but as soon as they could pull themselves together they carried off their wounded, and next time they wish to 'surprise' Mr. Palmer they will send word and prepare him for the shock."

CREAM OF LOCAL NEWS.

The Happenings of This And Adjoining States Chronicled.

Now Pay Attention and Listen, For Every One of These Items Will Interest You, Whether Healthy, Poor or Wealthy, Lame, Halt or Blind.

VIRGINIA.

Col. William C. Carrington, who served as mayor of Richmond for four terms, died in Williamsburg Thursday night after a lingering illness.

Fire at Hampton destroyed Blakmo's feed store and Darden's residence, on King Street, and broke the plate glass fronts in Schentz and Slaughter's block. The loss was \$5,000.

A special from Lexington says that two cadets at the Virginia Military Institute, Frank W. McConico, of Texas, and W. T. Taliaferro, of Gloucester County, Va., engaged Thursday in a personal encounter, in which fifteen rounds were fought. Two hours afterwards Taliaferro died. It is presumed from the punishment received at the hands of McConico. The affair has cast a gloom over the entire community.

A convention of 150 of the influential and representative citizens of Augusta and Rockingham counties was held at Staunton recently to formulate plans for urging on the authorities of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Co. the feasibility and advisability of the further extension of their road from Winchester to Roanoke, Va., and thus a connection with the Roanoke & Southern or Norfolk & Western. The suggestion is to have the road extended from Winchester through the counties of Frederick, Shenandoah, Rockbridge, Rockingham and Augusta, and to run through the western part of the valley in order to open up and develop the mineral section along the eastern base of the North Mountain.

Young Pusey Carlton, who was recently shot by the negro George Harris, in Essex, is dead.

A large new peanut factory is to be erected in Smithfield. Last year the business in peanuts there amounted to over \$500,000.

The widow of a well-known citizen of Lumberton has brought a slander suit against certain parties for accusing her of burning a barn.

Lanenburg farmers are busy cutting tobacco, in anticipation of early frost.

The census office has announced the population of the following Virginia cities and towns with increases since 1880:

Charlottesville,	5,562;	increase	2,886
Danville,	10,285;	"	2,759
Lynchburg,	19,779;	"	3,820
Staunton,	6,921;	"	257

NORTH CAROLINA.

The fall term of the North Carolina Supreme Court began at Raleigh on Monday.

Several important moves have been set on foot by the Chamber of Commerce in Reidsville.

The Teachers' Normal Institute of Reidsville opened with good attendance, mostly ladies. The graded school has nearly divided its pupils.

Governor Fowle has issued an appeal to the people of North Carolina for funds to purchase headstones for the graves of 220 North Carolina soldiers buried in the Confederate cemetery at Fredericksburg, Va.

A cash prize of \$1,000 has been offered for the best short story or novel, having the Grandfather Mountain and the beautiful scenery of that locality woven into the plot. This mountain, situated as it is in the most picturesque part of Western North Carolina, furnishes an attractive setting for an interesting story. The selection will be made by a committee of competent reviewers, and the story must not be less than ten or exceed fifty pages. Detailed information may be obtained of the Linville Improvement Company, of Linville, N. C.

David Watson found an ancient steel badge under an old house in Locke township, Rowan County, the other day. It was a Tippecanoe badge, shaped like a coin, the size of a quarter. On one side was a log cabin, and the inscription: "The people's choice. The hero of Tippecanoe." On the other a bust of Harrison, with the words "Maj. Gen. W. H. Harrison, Born Feb. 1773."

Millard Kerley, a young man about 19 years of age, and a son of S. C. Kerley of Johns River, became deranged on Tuesday night and on was confined in the Western Asylum at Morganton. About six weeks ago his father, for the first time observed indications of mental unsoundness in the boy.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Court-martial commenced by order of Gen. Lee, N. G. S. C., for the trial of Capt. B. F. Goins and Lieut. Frost, of the 1st brigade of the National Guard of South Carolina, have acquitted Capt. Goins.

The Secretary of State of South Carolina has granted a charter to the Rock Hill Land and Town Site Company. Of the capital stock of \$100,000, \$58,100 has been subscribed and paid in.

Large crowds attended the Spartanburg land sales, and about 100 lots were sold at fair and satisfactory prices.

John Ratterer's livery stable, occupied by Neely & Fewell, were burned at Rock Hill Thursday. The loss is about \$1,000, fully covered by insurance.

A young gentleman from the rural districts of Berkeley County mailed two

postal cards in the police telegraph box at the corner of East Bay and Market streets at Charleston on Friday. An officer took them out and put them in a mail box.

Prof. Hampton's Colored State Fair Association met in the Court House at Columbia and arranged an imposing programme for their fair, which is to be held at the State Capital November 24 to 27, inclusive. A committee of female members was appointed to solicit subscriptions throughout the city. Attractions for the fair were discussed and it was decided to have fireworks and military displays each night of the fair. A sham battle on Thursday preceded by a grand battalion drill on Wednesday. All the colored military of the State and a number from outside will be invited.

During an amateur performance, "The Carnival of Commerce," at Spartanburg fire broke out behind the scenes. The house was packed from top to bottom, leaving no standing room. The curtain had just gone down on the first act, when a blaze was seen to burst forth from the left side of the stage, a panic ensued. In a twinkling hundreds of people, mostly ladies and children, were surging back and forth and screaming at the top of their voices. The excitement was quickly subdued, and the fatalities must have been enormous. The fire caught in some properties in the stage dressing room, and had quickly spread to the stage when it was discovered and extinguished.

TENNESSEE.

N. O. Wallace, the aged editor of the Fayetteville Observer died Monday night at Nashville.

Will Gauntner and Bob Owens, both colored, were arrested to-night and lodged in jail on a charge of murdering William Gauntner, an aged and respected citizen, Saturday night.

An application has been filed at Knoxville for the incorporation of the East Tennessee Navigation Co. It is the intention of the originators of the scheme to put a fleet of steamers upon the Tennessee river, and to a general freight and passenger business. The boats will be run to highest navigable point of the river and as far down as Florence, Ala. The gentlemen are from Norfolk, Va., and represent a large amount of capital. Knoxville will be their headquarters. A prominent local attorney is looking after their interests at present.

Gen. Samuel Thomas, president of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad, was invited to attend the veteran's reunion in Knoxville. He cannot attend but has written a very patriotic reply.

No. 254, a new compound passenger engine, and the first of a type to be used in the passenger service on any American railway took train No. 6 over the E. T. V. & G. Wednesday. Monroe Geams was at the throttle. The trip was somewhat of an experiment, and the success of it places the East Tennessee road ahead of all other systems. Fifty miles an hour was made with perfect ease, and seven miles up Greenville grade was made in 9 minutes. The run was made from Knoxville to Johnson City for water.

The Tennessee Industrial Land Co., comprised of Chicago parties, has purchased, through W. Englewood, 1,000 acres of land at Dayton, Tenn., for \$310,000. It includes coal, iron and other mineral property, and the company intends expending a considerable amount on improvements. The building of a dummy line around the city and the construction of an electrical railroad are among the projects on hand.

While coming down the mountain near Shell mound Joe Hackwork, a brakeman on the Memphis & Charleston Railroad, fell between two cars cut off and shoulder dislocated. He died.

GEORGIA.

Bainbridge is now lighted by electricity. The Chattahoochee is quite low now, and the boats experience considerable difficulty in navigating the upper river.

An Elbert county young man has been sent to the chinking for six months for running a blind tiger.

Mayor Walker, of Darien, expects to ship 25,000,000 bushels of rice this summer.

The Manley-Manufacturing Co., of Dalton, has a contract for furnishing 200,000 feet of Georgia pine, to be used in the construction of Chicago's sidewalks.

Mr. Walter L. Winston, a young dentist of Macon, mysteriously disappeared from his office on Friday night last, since which time nothing has been heard of him. His family are greatly distressed and fear some foul play, but no clew of the missing man has been found.

The Columbus Enquirer-Sun announces the death of Rev. James Rees, of Muscogee county. Mr. Rees was a Baptist minister, and was licensed to preach the gospel in 1825. He was perhaps the oldest Mason in Georgia, having become a member of Flint Hill lodge in 1838. He was ninety years of age at the time of his death.

The Norwegian Steamship Christian Johnson is loading 1,926 barrels of rosin at Brunswick for the port Pittsburg, Russia.

Continued rains in southwest Georgia have greatly damaged the cotton crop in many counties.

The census office at Washington gives out the information that Rome has a population of 6,940 souls; whereupon Rome howls and proposes to have a recount. The Tribune claims from 10,000 to 12,000.

A bell, cast recently for the Kharkow (Russia) Cathedral, contains sixty-eight per cent. of pure silver. It weighs 646 English pounds, and its vibrations last several minutes.

SPECIAL PREMIUM LIST

Of the Border Exposition of the Carolinas.

CLASS "A."

H. C. McNair, farmer, \$5.00 for the best watermelon.

Milton McRae, merchant, Maxton, \$2.50 for the prettiest bale of cotton

Hector McBryde, Wakulla, \$2.50 for the best yield of corn grown on one acre. Affidavit of party and two witnesses to be proof.

A. J. McKinnon, merchant, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best sack of water ground domestic meal; \$1.00 for the best sack of home made flour, \$1.00 for the best bale of hay, \$1.00 for the best bushel of sweet potatoes.

L. S. Townsend, dealer in general merchandise, Lumberton, \$2.50 for 1 gallon of the best syrup made by the Chattanooga Mill and Evaporator.

D. A. Patterson, cotton planter, \$1.00 for 1 gallon best sorghum, \$1.00 for best half dozen stalks of corn.

M. McNair, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best stalk of cotton.

Fine & Blechman, merchants Maxton, one pair \$7.00 pants, imported goods, for the largest yield of cotton on one acre gathered before Oct. 20.

W. E. Croom, merchant, Maxton, \$1.00 for the largest pumpkin. Jas. Davis, Little Rock, S. C., \$10.00 for the stalk of cotton showing the largest number of bolls.

CLASS "B."

Jas McBryde, Floral College \$2.50 for the best grade Jersey calf under 1 year old.

H. C. Alford, Floral College, \$5.00 for the best grade heifer not over 2 years old.

E. McRae, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best trio of sheep, \$2.50 for the best mule colt under 2 years old.

M. McNair, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best pair of ducks.

Maxton Drug Company, 1 box Kendal Club cigars for the best stock hog.

O. E. Crowson, \$2.50 for the slowest mule.

D. A. Patterson \$1.00 for the best pair of pigs under six months old, \$1.00 for the best pair of turkeys \$1.00 for the best trio of game chickens.

H. C. Boylin, jeweler, Maxton one stem winding open face watch for the largest fat hog.

D. C. Snelclair, Druggist, Lumberton, \$2.50 for the best pig under seven months old.

W. I. Linklaw, stock dealer, Lumberton, \$5.00 for the best harness horse under seven years old.

J. S. Oliver, farmer, Affinity, \$2.50 for the best harness mule.

Dr. J. P. Brown, Ashepole, \$2.50 for the best pair of horses driven in tandem.

Dr. R. F. Lewis, druggist, Lumberton, 100 Partidos cigars for the best sow and pigs, not less than six.

N. A. Brown, Lumberton, \$2.50 for the best milk cow.

J. M. Burke, dealer in stock Maxton, \$5.00 for the fastest native Robeson county horse.

Carter & Weatherly, Maxton 5.00 for the best colt under 1 year old.

W. I. Thompson, Maxton, \$5.00 for the best pair of mules under 7 years old.

W. G. Hall, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best pair of chickens.

W. A. Sossaman, with Hargrave & Co., Liberty, Va. 1 Box Dark Horse tobacco for the best exhibit of live stock.

CLASS "C."

Dr. H. W. McNatt, Maxton \$2.50 for the best exhibit of sweet and sour pickles \$2.50 for the best exhibit of jellies and preserves.

J. C. McCaskill, Maxton, \$1.00

for the best pound cake,

O. S. Hayes, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best spiced grapes and grape preserves and jelly by a single lady.

J. D. Jowers, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best jelly cake, by a girl under 20 years old.

R. W. Livermore, merchant, Pates, N. C., \$1.00 for the best pumpkin pie, the pie to be his.

H. B. Hill, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best rolls by a girl under 19 years old.

M. McNair, Maxton, \$2.50 for the handsomest trimmed cake.

K. H. Cole, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best fruit cake.

CLASS "D."

J. J. Freeslund, jeweler, Maxton, a fine gold set ring for the prettiest needle work by a young lady.

J. C. McCaskill \$2.00 for the best quilt, \$1.00 for the prettiest artificial flowers, \$1.00 for the best tidty.

W. G. Hall, Deputy Collector, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best crocheted infants hood.

A. J. Burns, carriage dealer, Maxton, \$1.00 for the best hand made rug.

Frank Gouch, for A. C. Melk, dealer in Davis improved sewing machines \$1.00 for the prettiest lambequin, \$1.00 for the best pair of crochet slippers, \$1.00 for the prettiest table scarf, \$1.00 for the best piece of embroidery, \$1.00 for the prettiest work in crayon.

W. E. Shaw & Co., dealers in harness and saddles, Charlotte, N. C., 1 set of harness for the largest and best exhibit of agricultural products.

Dr. J. D. Croom, druggist, one pint Farnieia cologne for the best loaf of corn bread with or without yeast. One box D. S. Brown & Co's best Arabian soap for the best loaf at light bread.

M. McNair, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best oil painting, \$2.50 for the best lady driver, 50 cents for the best pair of home knit socks.

John Leach, cotton buyer, Maxton, \$2.50 for the best collection of minerals, iron ore, marble, etc. \$2.50 for the best collection of native woods.

Burwell & Dunn, wholesale druggists, Charlotte, \$5.00 for the largest and best exhibit of fancy needle work by a young lady.

Mrs. Wm. Black, \$1.00 for the best exhibit of oil paintings.

MESCELLANEOUS.

W. W. McDiarmid, editor of the Robesonian, \$2.50 for the best bell made from garden or field products,

O. S. Hayes, fancy grocer, Maxton, 5 lbs French candy for the best exhibit of natural flowers.

J. L. Hines, Alma, \$5.00 for the best exhibit of shingles.

J. A. McAllister, Principal of Lumberton High School, and County Superintendent of Education, \$2.50 to the boy or girl under 15 years old who will stand the best examination in N. C. History. Dr. H. G. Hill, Messrs. A. A. McMillan and J. S. Queen, Committee.

T. McBryde, merchant and farmer, Ryan, N. C., 1 gold headed cane to the Confederate soldier who participated in the greatest number of battles during the late war. Competitors to register in a book at the secretary's desk, giving name of regiment, company and name and date of battle and skirmish.

J. H. Morrison, Register of Deeds of Robeson county, \$2.50 for the best hand writing by a boy or girl under 15 years.

McK McKinnon, President of Rocky Ford Alliance, \$1.00 to the heftiest man at the Fair.

Col. P. P. Smith, Wakulla, \$1.00 for the best model of farm gate.

N. Baxley, \$2.50 in gold for the prettiest motto made by a lady.

The Association \$10.00 for the fastest bicycle rider.

H. E. Strudwick, Richmond, Va., one silver cup for the second best bicycle rider, 5 cloth bound books for the prettiest girl between the

ages of four and ten.

R. W. Livermore, Pates, \$10.00 to be awarded by the committee.

Lucius McRae, Wakulla, two copies of the UNION one year to be awarded by the committee.

E. S. Lathrop, Maxton, N. C. \$10 to be awarded by the committee.

R. E. Blakey, stationer, Charlotte, 1,000 packet note heads for the finest barrel of rosin made in the month of Sept.

Max Giechner, salesman for Hamberger Bros., Norfolk, Va., one box of "little me" cigars for the best buggy made in N. C.

Capt. Wm. Black, attorney \$1.00 for the best exhibit of chrysanthemums.

Telephone Insanity.

In the infirmary connected with the Central Police Station the doctors have received to-day a curious case of what they call "telephonic madness." A lady about twenty-six years of age, employed in the chorus of one of the theatres, suddenly stopped in the middle of the Rue des Petits-Carreaux and shouted at the top of her voice: "Hallo! hallo!" the preliminary words used here when a person wishes to converse with another through the telephone. A crowd at once gathered around the young lady, who put her hands to her mouth and ears in telephonic fashion. "Is that you, Saint Peter?" continued she, as if speaking into a tube. "Right, give me my keys! What? You cannot be bothered! Then send your commissionaire. I must get home!" She repeated this several times, and at last the spectators came to the conclusion that she was wrong in her mind. A constable took her to the police station, where she went on in the same way, declaring that she heard distinctly through the telephone the celestial music of Paradise; that she could hear Saint Cecilia playing the piano, and that the chorus was composed of cherubim. M. Cochefort, the Superintendent of Police, seeing the state of the young lady, sent her to the Police Station, where she was at once placed in the hospital and attended by the doctors.—London Telegraph.

The Common Sense of the Court.

One of the oldest and best practitioners at the Erie County bar was arguing a motion at a neighboring county seat and was depending more upon his own sound logic than upon authorities for success. At a critical juncture the judge interrupted the speaker with this inquiry: "Yes, I understand, but where are your authorities upon the subject?" "If your honor, please," retorted he briskly, "I will explain the absence of authorities, with your permission, by telling a little story: A young man freshly admitted to practice had produced in court in support of a motion a wealth of authorities. After allowing the young man to read page upon page of dry decisions, the judge at length interrupted wearily: 'You are just beginning in practice,' said he; 'let me give you some advice. It does very well to cite authorities once in a while, but you must always trust somewhat to the common sense of the court.'" It was a bold, almost audacious position to take, but it won his case.—Buffalo (N. Y.) Courier.

A Slight Mistake.

A laughable incident recently occurred at Fort Fairfield. A young man at one of the hotels went to a magistrate and informed him that he wished to be married and that he would be around in a short time with his lady. The justice informed his wife of what was to happen, that everything might be in readiness. In a short time a young gentleman, accompanied by a young lady, called into the store of the aforesaid matron, and as they appeared somewhat bashful, the justice's better half supposed they were the couple who wished to be made one, so she invited them into the dining room, and placing a couple of chairs quite new together invited them to be seated. Very soon the justice appeared upon the scene with book in hand and immediately began to read the marriage service. The young man grew very red in the face, and springing to his feet demanded: "What in thunder does all this mean?" "Why," said the magistrate, "I am going to marry you." "But," said the young fellow, "I don't want to get married," and he and his girl made a bold strike for the door, leaving the justice in a stupor. Shortly, however, the right couple appeared and were made one in due form.—Carroll Republican.