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Red Springs Comet.

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HOME NEWS

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
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DECEMBER.
The year's in the wane;
There's nothing alarming;
The night has no eve,
And the day has no morning;
Cold winter gives warning!
—THOMAS HOOD.

Mr. G. B. Patterson, of Maxton, was here Saturday.

Just twenty-five days till Christmas. Wait for Santa Claus.

Messes. N. A. McLean and N. A. Brown, of Lumberton, were in town Saturday.

Mr. A. M. McLean, of Lumberton, the newly-elected county treasurer, was here last week.

Local news is scarce this week, but our lack in this particular is more than compensated for by our five correspondents.

Mr. B. F. McLean, of Maxton, was in town Monday in the interest of the Carolina Inter-State Building and Loan Association.

The Comet appreciates the many kind things said of it by individuals and by some of its exchanges, and hopes to retain the good opinion of all.

Did you see the fine meteoric display last Wednesday night? This Comet is not responsible for it, but it enjoyed the display.

Thanksgiving day passed off quietly and pleasantly in Red Springs. It was generally observed as a holiday, but there were no unusual sports or amusements.

Misses Emma and Jennie Steel, two amiable and accomplished young ladies of Fayetteville, spent Thanksgiving day in Red Springs, to the delight of their many friends here.

At the hour of going to press news reaches us of the sudden death of Major William J. Brown, which occurred at his home five miles south of Red Springs at 12 o'clock today (Wednesday.) He died of heart disease.

A negro man, whose name we did not learn, had one of his hands so badly lacerated in Cottingham's saw mill, near Maxton, last Friday that it had to be amputated above the wrist. Drs. Croom and McNatt performed the operation.

The firm of Carter & Weatherly of Maxton, has been dissolved, Mr. Weatherly having bought Mr. Carter's interest in the business. There are as clever men as Job Weatherly, but like angels' visits, they are "few and far between." If honesty, fidelity and worthiness count for anything, there is prosperity and success ahead for Mr. Weatherly.

We direct the attention of mill men, builders and all interested to the advertisement of the Maxton Manufacturing Co. in this issue of THE COMET. This enterprise is fully equipped with first-class machinery for doing all kinds of repair work on machinery, and has competent men employed in every department. They also manufacture a superior grade of sash, doors, blinds, mouldings, etc., and turn out work promptly. When you need anything in their line, get their prices before making purchases or giving orders elsewhere.

Captured at Last.

Arch McPhatter, alias Smith, the negro who fired the fatal shot that ended the life of Melvin Livingston, has at last been captured, much to the surprise of many people who fully believed that he had been "made way with." He went to the house of a colored man near Pates last Saturday morning and surrendered himself, and was carried to Lumberton and there placed in jail. It is said that McPhatter was in a pitiable condition when captured. He received several wounds in the effort to capture him near Spring Hill a night or two after the murder, and these wounds had never been dressed, and were in a bad condition.

A little negro girl was frightfully burned at Laurinburg last Friday, but whether or not it proved fatal we have not learned. She was standing near the fire and her clothing became ignited, badly burning her before assistance could reach her.

They were sitting in the office at the hotel Sunday night discussing the comet, when a drummer remarked:

"The latest is that the comet has all gone to tail and there is no fire danger."

"Yes," remarked a listener, "I thought all the time that most of it was tail."

When the crowd procured a telescope and discovered the point the joker had fled.

Many of our readers do their trading in Maxton, and possibly more of them could do so with profit. To test the matter, the next time you go there call on W. E. Croom & Co., and see how cheap you can buy groceries and other goods which they handle. One thing we can assure you, Mr. Croom will "treat you white" every time, and give you full value for your money. He is full of enterprise and business, and makes things hum by turning over the "nimble sixpence" at short profits.

Death of Dr. Angus Bethune.

It is with deep regret that we chronicle the death of this aged and highly respected citizen, which occurred at his home a few miles from Red Springs last Friday. He died suddenly, being stricken with paralysis. Dr. Bethune was for many years a practicing physician, which profession he followed with great success. He connected himself with Antioch Presbyterian Church in early life, and was always a consistent member. The funeral was conducted by Revs. H. G. Hill and P. R. Law at the family burying ground on Saturday, and the large crowd present showed the high estimation in which he was held. In the death of Dr. Bethune Robeson county loses one of its best citizens and the church one of its most earnest, consecrated and useful members.

An Innocent Victim.

The danger of mob violence is forcibly illustrated in the fate of an innocent negro who was shot down and probably mortally wounded in the Laurel Hill neighborhood, Richmond county, last Thursday night. Our information is that the negro was lying at a wagon camp, asleep, when an armed posse came by in search of Arch McPhatter. The negro awoke just as the posse got within a few steps of him, and, half asleep and frightened out of his wits, he broke and ran. The mob, thinking it was McPhatter, fired upon him, several of the shots taking effect and producing serious if not fatal injuries. The negro was entirely innocent, we are told, of any connection with the recent disturbances in that section.

FORTUNATE BALTIMORE.

Miss Addie Earl, the animated essence of all that is pure and sweet and lovely and noble and true and good lovely, left on Wednesday night for Baltimore, and she left a glorious and blessed stream of memories as sweet and beautiful as the influences she wove around the enraptured hearts she left behind her. Such a maiden is a blessing to any place she visits, for she makes the earth brighter and more beautiful, the flowers wear a richer luxuriance and distill a sweeter fragrance, while birds their sweetest songs do sing—at least it so appears to those who have basked in the sunlight of her smiles and inhaled the fragrance of those rare flowers of goodness and loveliness which bloom so beautifully in her character, for she is an angel in loveliest mould, and with most seductive grace enthroned in every movement of her matchless form she moves and reigns a queen o'er the realms of the feelings, and all hearts pay fondest homage to those entrancing charms and intoxicating witcheries, which make her one of the most fascinating ladies we ever met.—Wilson Mirror.

The stage villain is always at a disadvantage, as he invariably caught in the act.

Miss Mamie Croom spent Sunday in Maxton.

You have been doing it heretofore, but this year there will be no need to send off for your Christmas toys and supplies. Mr. J. M. Pope will have in a full line of these goods in a few days, and you can get them from him just as cheap as you can from any one else, and he deserves your patronage. Buy of him.

MAXTON DEPARTMENT.

News scarce.

Cotton rising, prospects brightening.

We are on the *qui vive* for the tentatulations of the wedding-bells. Paul, how is it?

Reports of the cotton crop show a decrease beyond that contemplated even by those whom such decrease would materially benefit.

G.—Did you ever notice the attachment "Dod" has for Miss—S—Strange, isn't it? E.—Yas, I think he caught it from sleeping on a suit of his master's old clothes. "Rise, thimble," and explain.

Dr. Moore, the "great physician," who evidently believes in the doctrine that "the man is blessed who toots his own horn, for if he does not the same shall not be tooted," is in town, fresh from Raleigh. He says the patients are flocking to him by the thousands.

It is to be remarked with pleasure that many of our best merchants have discontinued the sale of the deadly cigarette. A worthy example, gentlemen, and one which should be imitated by every one who does not wish to take a hand in poisoning the bodies and dwarfing the intellects of the boys of our land.

We notice a tendency on the part of our farmers to dispose of their cottonseed. Farmer friend, this should not be. You are robbing your lands which silently from year to year yield up to you a support for you and your family, and of course the more it yields, and the less of that yield you restore to it, the poorer it becomes. Commercial fertilizer is not the manure that cotton seed is. What is better for a bill of corn than a handful of cotton seed on top of it?

The meeting in the Y. M. C. A. hall on Sunday night was very well attended. The subject, John 19: 1-16, was thoroughly gone over, and many lessons might have been learned by paying close attention to the speakers, who were Rev. Messrs. Trawick and Fulford, Messrs. J. D. Austin, J. M. Burke and W. C. Currie. We are all proud of our association, and only wish the young (?) men, while speaking, would not look so *old*—the most of them. We mean they look old, or rather mature for young men.

Once upon a time "Canute the Great," a Danish King, being engaged in war with a neighboring power, was forsaken by the gods, and was taken prisoner. He being a good man and a much-loved king, the women of his realm determined to pay the great ransom that was asked for his release, and having so determined, they sold the diamonds that lit up their necks by night and the pearls that glistened in their hair, together with other and enough jewelry to vouchsafe his return unto them. When he came home the first law passed by him, or by his command, was one providing that at the death of the husband the widow should be possessed of one-third of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments of which her dead lord was seized at any time during the coverture. Thus the origin of the widow's dower.

Women, you who read this have the same beneficial provision enacted for you, and remember you are indebted to a great extent to the women of Denmark and this King, from whence England got the idea, which has since been transplanted in the North Carolina statute book.

He—But couldn't you learn to love me, Ida?

She—I don't think I could, George.

He (reaching for his hat)—It is as I feared! You are too old to learn.

FOUND THE NICKEL.

I was the only passenger on the car. Midway of a block another came in. His hat was crushed and his clothing drenched with mud. For a long time he sat in gloomy meditation. Then he hunched up toward me and said: "I guess I'm the dodriestest fool runnin' loose in this town at the present time."

"So?" I said.

"Yes, sir. I ain't got sense enough to be let go without a guarden. See that car up ahead there?"

I did. It was half a dozen blocks away.

"Waal, sir, I run like sixty for more'n a block to ketchen that car."

"Couldn't catch it, eh?"

"Yes, I could. That's the trouble. I did ketch it, and I gin the conductor a dime on the hind platform, and he gin me a nickel change. Then somehow I up and dropped the nickel overboard. I hollered to the conductor to stop the car, but he wouldn't do it, so I up and jumps off backwards. Look at my clo's. When I got up that car was out of reach, so I had to wait for this one."

"Did you find your nickel?"

"O, yes; found that right enough. Lost my car, spilt my clothes and skint my back just for the gratifyin' privilege of pickin' up that dod-deon nickel an' givin' it to this conductor. I used to think Bill Thompson was the dingiestest fool a goin', but I guess I'm close on to him."

"What did Bill do?"

"Why don't you know? Bill's dog got his head stuck in a pitcher, and Bill cut off the head to save the pitcher, and then broke the pitcher to get the head out."

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R. M. NIMOCKS,
Assignee.

Also, all parties indebted to B. W. Townsend, Agent, are notified that their accounts will be placed in the hands of Col. N. A. McLean for collection, if not settled by December 1st.

B. W. TOWNSEND,
Nov. 10, 1892 Agent

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