

## THE COUNTY

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**HOFFMAN.**

Mrs. Sarah Tyner, wife of James Tyner of this place, died this week.

T. L. McNair, of Laurel Hill, was here on business this week.

James Foy, of Raleigh, spent a day in town this week.

Very little preparation has been made here for the coming stock law which goes into effect Jan. 1.

This place is having a very good trade this fall and the prospects are bright for the largest holiday trade it has ever had. We are glad to see it.

T. F. Long spent last Saturday in Raleigh.

Miss Jennie Elliott, of Jackson Springs, is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. McPherson here.

Several traveling salesmen were here this week stocking up our merchants with various kinds of merchandise.

This section has some very fine hogs now and the prospects are that a large lot of pork will be killed here.

Will Livingston, of McNair, is visiting friends here.

### MOUNT OLIVE

As I have seen nothing from this section I will drop you a few lines.

Mrs. C. Currie has been visiting W. T. Meeks the past week.

Miss Nannie Smith was visiting our community Sunday.

Greely Woodard was visiting at Washington Long's Sunday.

We learn that Jeff Gibson is going to move back to his farm. He has been living at Hamlet for some time.

Farmers are busy sowing small grain in this section.

Rev. S. E. Mercer filled his last regular appointment Sunday with an excellent sermon. We hope he will be with us next year.

The writer heard Sunday morning that he died Friday from smoking cigarettes. He wishes to state that if he is dead he has been buried, and that he doesn't smoke enough cigarettes to hurt anybody. **UNCLE ZIP.**

### RABBIT HILL

J. T. Henry and family went to Anson county Sunday and his sister, Mrs. J. B. Hooks, returned with them Sunday night.

T. B. Henry went hunting again this week to his old home with A. P. Barrett.

A new baby in our town at Claud Young's.

Everybody has plenty of peas and potatoes at home.

Mrs. Clint Robbins went to Wilmington this week to visit her daughter, Mrs. Tom Griffin, who is very sick.

### LEDBETTER'S.

Mrs. Scott Terry, of Roberdel, was visiting her mother, Mrs. J. H. Saunders Sunday.

Mr. John G. Terry was visiting his brother, W. G. Terry Sunday evening.

Supt. Z. Beale is the champion pear grower about here. He raised one that weighed one pound and nine-tenths.

Mr. Nelson Gibson, of Beaver Dam, was visiting his brother, W. A. Gibson, Sunday.

Mr. Henry Webb was visiting Mr. H. M. Marks' Sunday.

Some of our neighbors are taking advantage of the recent cold days and are killing their porkers. Those that cannot enjoy the luxury of "possum and taters" will be content with "pork and taters."

E. T. Bounds, of Rocky Fork, was visiting W. G. Terry last Sunday.

Colin McNair was visiting at

his uncle's, Archie McNair, last week.

The young people here enjoyed singing at H. M. Marks' last Sunday night.

Rev. S. E. Mercer preached here Sunday. This was his last appointment here this year. He has been on this circuit 2 years.

### FALL RIVER WAGE TROUBLES

#### Request of Textile Council for a Conference Referred

Fall River, Nov. 18.—The request of the Textile Council for a conference with the cotton mill manufacturers regarding the announced plan of the manufacturers to return on November 23 to the wage schedule in existence prior to March 17, 1902, has been referred to the executive committee of delegates to the council, still hopeful, however, for a favorable answer from the Manufacturers' Association. The committee meets Wednesday evening, at which time the various unions will discuss the situation.

The council wishes to lay before manufacturers a plan of retrenchment less burdensome to the operatives than a return to the schedule of 1902, which means practically a 10 per cent. cut in wages. It is believed that there is little likelihood that the manufacturers can be prevailed upon to reconsider their decision. That opposition to the new schedule will take the form of a strike is still more doubtful. Failing to effect a compromise, the leaders of the operatives are inclined to make the best of the situation for the present.

#### The Confederate Veterans

The long grey line of Confederate veterans at the recent encampment in Raleigh was a sight to stir one's blood. It is well if one can appreciate the deeper significance of such a spectacle. "You cannot see the mountains near," Emerson truly says; and we often wonder if the younger men of the South realize the largeness of the civil war—realize for how many thousands of years it will loom large in the world's history until it finally takes its place in song and story with the mightiest conflicts of Greece and Rome. But the applause of history comes too late; and while they are yet with us, we should see to it that the survivors of the titanic struggle between the North and South receive an earnest of the glory they have earned. Raleigh honored itself in honoring the veterans.—Progressive Farmer

#### Indicted for Bribery.

Charlotte Observer. Omaha, Neb., Nov. 16.—The United States grand jury to-night returned true bills against United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich and Postmaster Jacob Fisher, of Hastings, Neb., charging them with bribery and conspiracy. The Senator is charged with accepting a bribe of \$2,500 from Fisher, in consideration of which the latter was recommended for the postmastership at Hastings.

#### Bad Blaze at Monroe

A special to the Charlotte Observer from Monroe says that about 3 o'clock Tuesday morning the residence of Mr. J. W. Ashcroft, in the western part of the town, was found to be on fire. The fire was not discovered until the roof was falling in. The inmates had barely gotten out before the blaze swept through every room. Nothing was saved except one or two trunks. The house burned rapidly and before the fire department could reach the scene it had nearly burned down. The loss was partly covered by insurance. The fire was of unknown origin.

#### Theories.

Mrs. Hatterson—You don't mean to say that you have no theories about the education of children?  
Mrs. Catterson—No; I have too many children.—Town and Country.

#### The One Deficiency.

Matilda's joined a cooking class. At morning I awake To find a fringe of herbs and grass Around my bit of steak. At dinner decorations strange Are floating in the soup, And there are forks and spoons that range Just like a warrior troop. And there are ruffles on the chop And lemons everywhere. I know not where the crazy will stop; In fact, I should not care If all the winds thus arrayed With daintiness complete Could some time and somehow be made More possible to eat.—Washington Star.

## THE GOLD BRICK CASES.

U. S. Supreme Court Refuses to Interfere and the Chicago Confidence Men Will Have to Serve Their Sentences.

Charlotte Observer. Washington, Nov. 16.—The U. S. Supreme Court to-day refused to grant relief to three men who are serving long sentences in the State prison of North Carolina on the charge of trying to sell a gold brick in Guilford county, in that State. The men are all from Chicago and are J. L. Howard and

H. D. Hawley, who are under sentences of 10 years each, and A. L. Daly, whose sentence is seven years. They made application to the Federal district court for a writ of habeas corpus and it was refused. They appealed to the State Supreme Court, which affirmed the decision of the trial court. The prisoners then appealed the case to the United States Supreme Court. To-day opinion was delivered by Justice Brewer, who said that there was no Federal question involved. The effect was to affirm the opinions of both State Supreme Court and Federal district court.

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