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TOWN AND COUNTY.

THE PASSING LOCAL EVENTS OF THE DAY.

What is Transpiring Around and About Us in Town and County--The Movements and Doings of People You Know, Etc. Mr. A. A. Hicks attended Vance Superior court this week. Mr. Ernest Amis, of Winston, visited Oxford this week, coming to see his family. After a pleasant visit Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Curran returned from Scotland Neck on Tuesday. Dr. and Mrs. Henderson, of Wilton, were the guest of Dr. and Mrs. D. C. White on Tuesday. Rev. J. A. Cunningham preached at Shady Grove Sunday morning and at night in Oxford to large congregations. W. D. Pallett, who swindled Mr. E. N. Crews, has made arrangements to establish a fence factory at Aberdeen, Miss. We direct the attention of our readers to advertisement offering for sale the paragon property of Granville circuit at Tally Ho. Mr. Joe Parham set out 30,000 tobacco plants the latter part of last week. Thousands and thousands were put out in the county. Mr. Willie Rounton, the splendid harness maker, is now with Moore, Day & Co., where he would be pleased to serve his old friends. Mr. J. M. Curran has already transplanted his entire crop of 200,000 tobacco plants. Mr. Chas. Landis has also put out some 50,000. If there is any luck in horse shoes, a good many people are of the opinion it is not when they are fastened to the feet of the horses they bet on. Mr. and Mrs. Wash Curran were in Oxford on Monday. Mrs. Curran remained in town several days the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bose Gooch. The infant child of Col. and Mrs. R. O. Gregory died on Friday afternoon and was interred in the cemetery on Saturday. It was only five days old. The latest remedy is goat's blood as a cure for tuberculosis. This seems plausible, for it is well known the goat thinks anything it meets is good for consumption. She was alone with him and so He might well hug her with impunity. But all results when summoned up showed It was a wasted opportunity. A Landis & Sons in two days last week supplied 150 ladders with new hats and bonnets. We should say that his force of milliners are verily a hustling set of ladders. Mrs. Louis Amis attended the King's Daughters' Convention in Raleigh last week. This branch of noble christian women contributed \$412.00 to the Oxford Orphan Asylum. The rain has afforded the farmers a fine opportunity to set out a large amount of plants and the season continues and every tobacco plant large enough will be stuck in the ground. Rev. and Mrs. Woodson Walker, the Misses Gregory and Horner and Mr. John Hall returned home Tuesday from Asheville where they had been to attend the Episcopal Convention. The county superintendent of public schools reports that nearly all the schools in the county are now closed and the pupils are at work. The attendance has been larger than heretofore. Mr. S. F. Gardner, who has been absent attending the wants of a sick family, is at his post again in the PUBLIC LEADER office and ready to put all watches out of repair in first-class order. There lives on the plantation of Mr. George Kirtrell, in Vance, an old issue free negro that has reached the age 105 years, and will hunt rabbits with as much zeal as he did 30 years ago. J. D. Brooks, Jacob West, Jas. I. Gordon and W. B. Jones, of this county, have been drawn as jurors for the United States Circuit Court, and must appear at Raleigh June 2, at ten o'clock a. m. If you intend to erect a monument to the memory of some loved one Charles A. Goodwin, of Raleigh, seeks your patronage through the columns of the PUBLIC LEADER. Read it and send for prices. Mr. James Royster, of Bullock, who is now engaged in the cultivation of tobacco in Pitt county, passed through Oxford on Saturday on a visit to his parents. He informed us that tobacco was growing finely and that it had been worked out the first time. Mr. John W. Markham, who has a store in Oxford as well as Durham, was married on Wednesday last to Miss Addie Cheek of Orange county. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. J. N. Booth officiating. We wish them great joy and happiness.

A MODEL FARMER.

He Sells from a Dozen Eggs up to a Horse Every Year. A few days ago in company with Capt. A. Landis, the prince of merchants, we enjoyed the hospitality of one of Granville's most successful and intelligent farmers, W. M. Blackwell, Esq. This gentleman is now 80 years old with but few gray hairs in his head, and still gives his personal supervision to his farm. He makes farming pay in spite of the trust and indeed he is far above the trust in his independence, for while he has always been prosperous in his business, and has laid aside a competency, he makes his own supplies and sells something of almost everything that is raised on the farm to use his own language "from a dozen eggs up to a horse every year." He makes a good tobacco crop, also handles it well and gets the best market prices, but it is by judicious cultivation and practical common sense that he makes a surplus of all crops and thus demonstrates that farming on the right basis pays in this highly favored county. He and his wife have been living at their present home 46 years, and they are cheerful and happy and hospitable to a marked degree. School Commencements. We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation from Mr. & Mrs. N. Pinick to attend the anniversary exercises of the Oxford Female Seminary. The invitation is very attractive and contains the following order of exercises: May 29, 8 p. m.—Operetta and music, by the primary department. June 1, 8 p. m.—Annual sermon by Rev. J. W. Carter, of Raleigh, N. C. June 2, 2 to 7 p. m.—Art levee. 8 p. m.—Address to the Calliopean Literary society by Prof. J. Y. Joyner, of Goldsboro, N. C. June 2, 10 a. m.—Commencement exercises. Essays, Miss A. Holgood, Miss Kathlene Elmore and Miss Louie Curran. Vaudelectory, Miss Polly Kerr. 8 p. m.—Final concert and elocutionary exercises. The following is the graduating class: English graduates—Miss Mittie Carleton, Durham, N. C.; Miss Annie Holgood, Granville County, N. C.; Miss Louie Curran, Oxford, N. C.; Miss Ida Bowling, Durham county, N. C.; Miss Corinne Bowling, Durham county, N. C. Full graduates—Miss Florence Leslie, Moore county, N. C.; Miss Minnie Rogers, Apex, N. C.; Miss Polly Kerr, Caswell county, N. C.; Miss Kathlene Elmore, Caswell county, N. C. Graduate in Music—Miss Ella Ford, S. C. THE PUBLIC LEADER thanks the Franklin Literary Society of the Horner Military School for an invitation to attend the 40th anniversary exercises which will take place June 4th at 8:30 p. m. The following is the program: Annual address by Hon. Harry Skinner, of Pitt county. Final President, Corporal Bruce Cotton. Final Secretary, Serg. Major James I. Wilder. Essayist, Adjutant Fred L. Carr. Debater, J. Norriest Pruden. Orator, Lieut. Thomas D. Warren. Marshals—Sgt. Wm. A. Graham, chief; Corp. R. Elliott Lee, J. Norwood Hill, Sgt. Edwin C. Gregory, Corp. Samuel R. Buxton. Marriage in Fishing Creek. On Wednesday evening, May 13th, the residence of our greatly esteemed friend Mr. S. W. Dickerson, was the scene of a happy nuptial between Mr. Noah Longmire and Miss Della Dickerson, Esquire H. A. Taylor being the groomsman. The popularity of the young couple had brought together a large number of friends who witnessed the ceremony. The attendants were W. B. Dickerson and Miss Wylanta Longmire; Wm. Brummitt and Miss Carrie Dickerson; J. C. Dickerson and Miss Emma Longmire; Jonah Breedlove and Miss Addie Dement; L. H. Longmire and Miss Corilla Dement. Immediately after the ceremony the wedding party left for the home of the groom where a fine supper had been prepared in honor of the great occasion which was highly enjoyed. Our best wishes go with the happy couple through life. Cutting and Shooting a Hair. Las Thursday a difficulty occurred at Lenoirville, on the Oxford & Clarksville Railroad, between Ephraim Mangum and Nick Goss in which the former was severely cut about the face and neck by a pocket knife in the hands of Goss, and the latter drew his pistol, firing two shots, one taking effect in the wrist of Goss and the other ball entering his abdomen and passing through his liver lodging near the backbone. The trouble arose from an attempt by Goss to force Mangum to marry his sister, as it is said, he promised to do, but failing to reason the matter satisfactorily with him Goss goes to carrying Mangum, and he was cut twice before he (Mangum) pulled out his pistol, but when he did he fired with the result as above mentioned. Up to this writing Mangum is at large and Goss is in a critical condition. Full stock of wagons. OWEN, BARBOUR & SMITH. may 15.

Col. Burgwyn Exonerated.

Mr. Hall, the detective who has figured conspicuously in the Burgwyn-Jenkins case and was imprisoned in Henderson for false arrest of Col. Burgwyn and alleged defamation of character, has published two cards, one in News and Observer and one in the Atlanta Constitution, vindicating in full Col. Burgwyn, showing he was not in the least guilty of the charges brought against this honored citizen of North Carolina. Col. Burgwyn withdrew his prosecution and Mr. Hall was released and is now at his home in Atlanta. Sudden Death of Mr. H. C. Turner. Our community was shocked on Thursday morning by the sudden death of Mr. H. C. Turner, a worthy mechanic who was employed by Mr. J. A. Hall in his harness shop. Hearse about six o'clock and went out on the back porch to get a drink of water and started back in the room when he was taken with hemorrhage of the lungs and expired in a few minutes. He was a quiet good citizen, and had many friends in Oxford, and leaves a wife and two children. He was a native of Harnett county and had reached his 44th year. The sympathy of our people go out to the family in this their sudden affliction. Our New Railroad. The Wilson Mirror says: Nashville is a pretty place. In the midst of the tobacco hills, not far from the celebrated Mann & Arrington Gold Mines, with timber land abundant and cheap, arable land easy to cultivate, productive and remunerative to the laborer, it ought to invite capital and enterprise, and we are glad to learn that enterprise is tending to encourage the hope that the day is not far distant when Oxford people will be in more immediate communication by the construction of the Oxford & Coast Line Railroad by way of Lenoir, Cedar Rock and Castalia, which opens up a most valuable territory now cut off to railroad facilities. The Industrial Convention. The industrial convention at Raleigh we learn was a success. It was composed of a body of active business men of intelligence who are organizing to secure the development of the resources of the Old North State. Gov. Holt and other distinguished men took an active part in the proceedings. A plan of procedure was mapped out and much good is expected to flow from the work of the convention. As Granville has a great deal to be proud of we hope to see the good results come to our county. Gov. Holt will be pleased to see to go before our County Commissioners and Board of Magistrates the first Monday in June to get up statistics of the resources of the county, and every citizen in the county is interested in this matter. The speech of Capt. John A. Williams before the convention was a splendid effort, showing up in a marked degree the many advantages that Granville possessed. The Last Work I. O. O. F. At the meeting of the Grand Lodge on Thursday night resolutions were passed warmly thanking the ladies of the city for their attention, the citizens for their hospitality and Oxford Lodge for its entertainment. Grand Master Bruton made the following appointments: E. T. Crews, of Oxford, Grand Marshal. J. T. Deans, of Williamston, Grand Conductor. J. F. Williford, of Concord, Grand Guardian. W. T. Harrison, of Goldsboro, Grand Herald. Dr. J. J. Hall, of Raleigh, Grand Chaplain. B. S. Royster, District Deputy Grand Master for the Oxford district. E. T. Crews was also appointed Grand Marshal of the Grand Encampment. The following committee appointed by the last Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., will meet at the Yarboro House in Raleigh on Tuesday of the second week in August for the purpose of locating the Odd Fellows Orphan's Home: A. H. A. Williams, chairman; W. C. Douglas, N. Jacobi, Jonathan White, C. D. Benbow, C. B. Edwards and Grand Master John F. Bruton. Good Work. Mr. L. G. O'Brien is recognized as one of our most progressive young farmers, and is a hard worker. We learn that last year with one boy, 15 or 16 years old, and himself cultivated 25,000 hills of tobacco which sold for within a fraction of \$1200, besides making enough wheat and corn to run him until the next crop comes in. Mr. O'Brien only paid out \$10.60 for extra labor in the cultivation of his crop. This is a splendid showing, and we trust our people will follow the example of this young farmer and be sure to make enough to eat at home to keep them out of the smoke houses and corn cribs of the West. Physicians recommend Shriner's Indian Vermifuge in their practice as a superior article for destroying and expelling worms. Only 25 cents a bottle. For sale by J. G. Hall.

MODERN BARN CO.

WHAT THIS ENTERPRISE IS DOING IN OUR MIDST. The Snow Process of Curing Tobacco Smoking Tobacco Factory to be Built and Put in Operation at an Early Date. There is one establishment here of great significance as regards the future of Oxford says The Day. It is an enterprise of the most momentous importance to the farmers in all of the agricultural districts of this country where tobacco is cultivated. We refer to the works of the Modern Tobacco Barn Co. The Modern Tobacco Company is becoming familiarly known throughout the civilized world for its intrinsic invention which marks a new era in the proper curing and preparation for market of one of the greatest of American staples. Capt. Snow confidently puts the challenge before the world to make a crucial test of the many advantages which he affirms that are secured by his process. It is perfectly natural that he, as the pioneer in placing within reach of the farmers a new method by which they can save a large per cent. in the number of pounds of their tobacco as well as in the enhancement of the price, should encounter imitators in various sections of the country who claim that their invention is as good as the original Snow method. Such a course on the part of them in no measure damage the interest of the Modern Tobacco Barn Co., but rather serves to benefit this famous company whose record shines brighter under every fair test to which it is subjected. After months of thought and work Capt. W. H. Snow has succeeded in inventing an improved machine for manufacturing tobacco baskets. The Modern Tobacco Company can now make better baskets and turn them out three times as fast as before. In an article about the various buildings of the Modern Tobacco Barn Company in South Oxford, the Southern Tobacco Journal says this concern will erect "a smoking tobacco factory 30x130 feet. This building will carry out the very latest ideas of Capt. Snow on the question of testing leaf tobacco. The basement will have the same temperature all the year round and hence keep the leaf in right order. In connection with the factory will be a single floor warehouse 35x75 feet to be used for handling leaf. It will be provided with bins, underneath which will be pipes, to keep an even temperature. The leaf will be placed in these bins for keeping and in this building alone the company will be able to handle 200,000 pounds of leaf. In the smoking tobacco factory a new granulator will be used which will do the work of five ordinary granulators. This is an enormous saving and this company controls this granulator for its own use. It removes all stem and dust, leaving the tobacco entirely free from any foreign substance." The Journal also says: "In a short while fully 100 people will be here who will be regularly employed in the factory and 100 more means an increase of 500 to the population of Oxford; and the company is trying to provide houses for them in advance of their coming. Capt. Snow will build a fine residence for himself just above and overlooking the entire property." Owen, Barbour & Smith have a full and well selected stock of hardware, plows and castings. They will appreciate your trade and deal fair with you. The Colored Orphan Asylum. The Board of Directors met at the Orphan Asylum on Thursday the 14th inst. More members of the board attended this meeting than any previous one. It was agreed to put another story on the girls dormitory and to build a dormitory for the boys South of the girl's building with 12 rooms in it. The corner stone of new building will be laid on the 4th of July with Masonic ceremonies. Excursion trains will be run from all points in the State and grand time is expected. The Board appointed Rev. W. A. Paillo, Hon. H. T. Hughes and H. C. Cogswell, Esq., a committee to arrange for the corner stone, etc., and Rev. R. Shepard, Messrs. Henry Hester and H. C. Cogswell a committee on building. The prospects of the Asylum is bright. M. C. RANSOM. We are pleased to learn that the Asylum has taken a new lease of life and great improvements are to be made. It is the duty of the colored people of the state to stand by and maintain this institution with a liberal hand. They have it in their power to make it a crowning glory to their race. We have a large assortment of buggies at any price you want. Come and see us before you buy. may 15. OWEN, BARBOUR & SMITH. Don't forget J. E. Tyler is the place to get your flues on the best terms. Ladies' phaetons, surrys and carriages at OWEN, BARBOUR & SMITH'S.

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