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THE LATE CO-PARTNERSHIP OF D. A. Hunt & Son having been dissolved by the death of D. A. Hunt, it becomes necessary to close up the business of the firm as specifically as possible, and I shall, therefore, for the next sixty days offer the large stock of merchandise on hand at greatly reduced prices. The goods must be sold. Call and examine for yourselves, at the old stand, and you will find that we mean what we say. L. R. HUNT, Surviving Partner.

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.

Fifty barrels best Flour for sale by R. J. Mitchell.

The cadets of Davis School sent \$45 to the Orphan Asylum.

The respective county officers have renewed their bonds.

Home is the place where all husbands should be at night.

Home is the golden setting in which the brightest jewel is mother.

The PUBLIC LEDGER will not greet its readers until the 8th of January.

The Episcopal church is handsomely decorated with evergreens and emblems.

This is the time of year the promising young man is in demand among his creditors.

The Odd Fellows' Hall is in the hands of the carpenters and will soon be completed.

Superior Court convenes on Monday the first day of February, Judge Whitaker, presiding.

The best loved man is he who gives the most, he is also the one least regarded when he stops giving.

On Friday last the Davis & Gregory Company, Richmond, sold over 50,000 pounds of Granville tobacco.

One very good reason why a man should tell the truth is that it is not a tax on his memory that a lie would be.

It is said work will soon commence on the Oxford & Coast Line Railroad. The line is now being located and right of way secured.

He is right who, knowing duty, bravely does his best. And he is safe who in God's keeping seeks his work and rest.

Men judge a man's religion by his actions outside the church and the women judge it by the brilliancy of his prayers within.

Haywood Knott, colored, was committed to jail by Esquire Ellis on Monday, charged with stealing a mule from Mr. John B. Currin.

The two-room cottage of Mrs. Judge Gilliam is now being repaired and will be occupied by Mr. J. W. White, our promising young tailor.

The King Daughter's held a most pleasant meeting at the residence of Col. J. S. Amis during the past week. Several new members were initiated.

Mr. Geo. W. Wright, who lives in Vance, near the Granville line, killed six pigs a few days ago that weighed 1,750 pounds, and has more to kill.

We will say to those who come to us to get bids for advertising we hope they will at least accord to us fair treatment which some people have failed to do.

Buck Blackwell, was in Washington City during the contest for the Speakership and is said to have won \$10,000 on the election of Crisp. He bet in sum from \$500 up.

The Alliance people are arranging for the publication of a daily paper at Raleigh. Circulars are now being sent out and it is said the responses promise support to the new venture.

We ask you to read the advertisement of Mr. L. R. Hunt, surviving partner of D. A. Hunt & Son. All goods are offered for sale at greatly reduced prices for 60 days. Call and get bargains.

The Directors of the Durham Farmers' Alliance Tobacco Manufacturing Company at their annual meeting last week declared a dividend of 10 per cent, and increased the capital stock \$5,000.

Etiquette has settled it that a proposal of marriage should not be sent by letter. This is right and lawful for different reasons, and particularly so that marriage is lottery, and nothing pertaining to a lottery can go through the mails.

Col. J. C. Tipton, floats around with good pure Democracy. He is a good newspaper man and this time turns up at Shelby, and has launched to the breeze the Review, a neat and well gotten up 7-column weekly, brim full of excellent matter. Success to you Colonel.

Mrs. Geo. Ferrell, of Hargrove, who has been sick some days with the pneumonia died on Wednesday night. She was a sister of our worthy townsman, Mr. L. E. Wright, and was a kind and affectionate wife, mother and neighbor.

We extend our condolence to the bereaved family.

Owing to complication and inability to meet the obligations Capt. N. Penick has decided not to run the Oxford Female Seminary during the coming half session and the property is advertised for sale. This state of affairs is greatly to be deplored and we trust some arrangements will yet be made to continue the school.

TRAVELING AROUND.

Paragrophic Mention of People Who are Coming and Going

Mr. Crawford Biggs is home for the holidays.

Mr. W. Baker, of Blue Wing, called to see us on Tuesday.

Messrs. T. H. Washington and U. H. Cozart, are here from Wilson to spend the holidays.

Col. C. M. Rogers, who has been quite sick some days, we are glad to learn is nearly well.

Miss Alma Neal, Pat McGuire and Wade Britt have returned from school to spend the holidays.

We are glad to welcome back to Oxford Mr. A. S. Davis, who is now with Mr. J. P. Stedman.

The old veteran W. L. Clark, of Lyons, was in Oxford Tuesday and seemed to be of good cheer.

Mr. Eugene Leach and bride, of Richmond, are on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Leach.

Capt. O. J. Hayes, of City Va., was in town on Wednesday shanking hands with his numerous friends.

We learn that Capt. C. R. Lewis is quite sick at his home near Lewis. He is in the clutches of the gripp.

Major William Sneed and Col. John Hargrove, two of Vance county's most influential citizens, died last week.

Mr. A. P. Murry, and bride of Greenville, are spending the holidays with Mr. J. T. Murry, father of the groom at Berea.

Messrs. M. T. Smith, of Richmond, Va., and Henry Perry, Superior Court Clerk of Vance county, visited Oxford on Tuesday.

We are glad to meet on our streets again Mr. Foster Rogers, of Richmond, who has returned to his old home to spend the holidays.

Miss Sallie Nolan, who has been with Mrs. J. T. Britt, the past season has returned to her home in Baltimore to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Margaret Taylor, mother of Mr. Geo. W. Blackhall, died on Sunday at Kittrell, and her remains were carried to Raleigh for entombment.

Mr. R. J. Daniel, who has been on a visit to relatives in Georgia and Texas, has returned to his post and reports having had a most delightful time.

Mr. E. W. Faucette, late of the Milton Advertiser, but now of Durham, is in Oxford for a few days on a visit to his parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. U. Faucette.

On the 21st inst. Mr. George Hester, aged 81 years, died at his home near Stoval. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and an honest worthy citizen.

Judge and Mrs. R. W. Winton had born unto them a few days ago a son which weighed 16 pounds. We are glad to know that mother and babe are doing well.

Dr. W. R. Wilson, who left Granville about 8 years ago and settled in Texas, was in Oxford on Tuesday. He is visiting relatives and friends in Vance and Granville.

Mr. A. M. Pittman, of Oxford, and Miss Manie Ford, of Warrenton, were married at the latter place on Wednesday in the Methodist church by Rev. Mr. McCullen.

Mr. H. D. Thurber and Miss Emma D. Moore, of Chase City, Va., were married at the Osborn House on Tuesday night, by Rev. Joseph Rennie. It was a runaway match.

Messrs. Thos. H. Jones and J. P. Cannady, of Hargrove, and A. P. Harris, of Buchanan, dropped in to see us on Saturday. We are always pleased to see our friends and tell them our door stands wide open all the time.

Mr. Albert Hunt, son of Mr. W. T. Hunt, near Tar River, died on Monday night. He had been in bad health for a long time and his death was not entirely unexpected. The remains were interred on Tuesday, Rev. C. A. Jenkins conducting the funeral services.

Mr. Robert Hester, of Adoniram, with his family passed through Oxford on Thursday on his way to Faulkland, Pitt county, where he will make his home. We regret to lose friend Hester, but hope he will do well in his new home.

Mrs. Graham Royster, who has been under going treatment for some time in Richmond under Dr. McGuire, passed through Oxford Wednesday night on her way home. She has been permanently cured and we congratulate Mrs. Royster as well as her worthy husband upon her restoration to health.

Mr. Manse Hart, of the firm of Hart & Co., Hillsboro street grocers, will, on the first of January, leave us with his interesting family to make his home near Tarboro to look after the estate recently willed him by the death of his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Hart have made many friends in Oxford who regret their departure.

Physicians use Shiner's Indian Vermifuge in their practice and pronounce it a first class article. A trial will convince the most skeptical of its intrinsic merit. For sale by J. G. Hall.

Beautiful attractions in Millinery at Mrs. John T. Britt's, Mrs. O. O. White's old stand.

Far in advance of any article ever placed before the public--the Patent Sole Shoe.

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Splendid Sermon by Rev. Joseph Rennie and Remarks by Several other Gentlemen.

It was our pleasure to attend the special Thanksgiving service by previous announcement, held at the Opera House at 8 o'clock Sunday conducted by that earnest christian minister, Rev. Joseph Rennie. This Thanksgiving service was not in any sense of a sectarian character, but was a meeting intended for all denominations to give thanks for the grand work accomplished for Christ at the late glorious revival held in Oxford conducted by Evangelist Fife.

The opening prayer was made by Rev. T. U. Faucette. After singing the choir under the leadership of Dr. Wyche with Mrs. Currin at the organ, the congregation united in reading passages of scripture. This was followed by appropriate remarks from Rev. R. F. Bumpass. He spoke of the christian unity that had prevailed during the Fife meeting. That while it was going on it was impossible to draw the line between the denominations. This was cause of great gratitude to God.

Then followed a prayer by Mr. A. W. Graham.

Rev. Joseph Rennie then discussed the duty of Thanksgiving. He said it was God-like to be thankful, devil-like to be ungrateful--that there was special reasons why the christian people of Oxford should be thankful at this time. 1st. For the gift of Jesus Christ as their Savior. 2d. Because God has proved to the christian people of Oxford that there is happiness to be found in the religion of Jesus Christ and in working for him. 3rd. That God has indicated the power of His Spirit to convince the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment to come. 4th. That God in His mercy has not passed us by, but has saved many from death for whom he had prayed and whom he loved.

These remarks having been followed by singing the meeting was opened for a general expression of thanks, thereupon many responses came forth from thankful hearts. Such a scene was a novelty in Oxford, and showed that a spiritual sentiment and brotherly unity was present among old and new christians. Denominational lines seemed to have been forgotten in the spirit of thankfulness animating every christian heart present.

A. S. Lanier, J. T. Strayhorn, J. V. Rice, M. Currin, John W. Hays, Sr., Dr. S. D. Booth, A. W. Graham, A. A. Hicks, Col. J. S. Amis and Mrs. Bobbitt made earnest talks that broken an interest in the services and the growth of religion. Some of these talks were particularly edifying.

Mr. J. C. Hundley suggested that a committee of 3 representing different denominations be appointed to arrange for similar Union Services to be held once every month, the time and place to be arranged by said committee. This Union Meeting was a glorious one and was the outcome of the Fife meeting.

Immediately after the services a meeting was held to organize a Young Men's Christian Association, and the following officers were elected: J. M. Currin, president; J. C. Hundley, first vice-president; Dr. J. E. Wyche, second vice-president; F. C. Anderson, secretary; S. W. Cooper, treasurer. The Association starts off with a membership of over one hundred.

Notice to County Officers.

Section 119, Chapter 218, Laws of 1890, reads as follows:

Sec. 119. In each county the Treasurer shall give notice to all the county officers (except the Sheriff) authorized to receive or disburse the county funds to appear at the Court House on a certain day during the first ten days in January, before him and the committee appointed by the Board of Commissioners and present an account of all sums received or disbursed for the county, with their vouchers, and any officer failing to attend and account shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The accounts, when audited, shall be reported to the Board of Commissioners at their next meeting, and if approved shall be filed with the clerk and recorded in the proceedings, together with their approval, and shall be deemed prima facie correct.

As required by the above law, notice is hereby given to all county officers to appear at the office of the County Treasurer in Oxford on the 5th day of January 1892 and present to the Treasurer and Committee appointed by the Commissioners, an account of all sums received or disbursed for the county of Granville with their vouchers. Please meet at the court house. S. W. COOPER, Treasurer.

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NORTH CAROLINA.

WHAT HAS TAKEN PLACE WITHIN HER BORDERS.

A General Epitome of Recent Occurrences Around and About Us, From the Mountains to the Sea, as Culled from our State Papers.

Mr. Jethro Howell, of Fork township, Wayne county, from four acres has gathered 2,057 pounds of lint cotton.

There is no truth in the report that Rev. J. T. Abernethy is dead who was shot at Snow Hill by Grimsley. He is doing well and expects to be out in a few days.

Winfield Davis, the young man who killed his playmate at Jamestown, was acquitted in Greensboro upon the evidence that the killing was purely accidental.

At Pantego, Beaufort county, 33 bears have been trapped and shot by the hunters during the present season within a area of six miles. Still others were wounded but escaped.

There is nothing small about Geo. Vanderbilt in his ideas of house building. His little place in North Carolina will take ten years time to complete it, and a round million dollars a year will be put into the work.

The coal mine at Egypt, Chatham co., caught fire Monday from the discharge of a blast. The miners escaped but four mules in the shaft were burned to death, and a lot of cars and curbing in the mines were destroyed.

A Charlotte special says: A small negro in picking cotton on Mrs. Hill's place near Pineville found a lump of gold. He was offered \$5 for it, which he accepted, and the lump was assayed in this city and amounted to \$24.75.

Commenting on the address to the Democrats, the Statesville Landmark says it was drafted in the true spirit of compromise and the Democrat who cannot stand by it is no Democrat at all. That paper says it would be willing to accept it as the party platform next year and go to battle on it.

On the 23d the first marriage ever celebrated in the Rocky River Presbyterian church in Cabarrus county, will take place, the Standard states. The church has been built since 1850. The marriage will be that of Dr. J. C. Black, a rising young physician of the county, to Miss Emma Black, also of Cabarrus.

The constitution of North Carolina requires the public schools to be kept open at least 4 months per annum. If the tax is not sufficient to do this the Mocksville Time thinks it should be supplemented in every neighborhood by private subscription. Surely the patrons of every school can add enough to have a school at least four months.

Cards are out for the marriage at Freeport, Ill., of Mr. Needham D. Cobb, of Raleigh, stenographer to General Manager Winder, of the Seaboard Air-Line, and Miss Dollie Atkins, of Freeport. Miss Atkins is a grand daughter of the late Governor David L. Swain, who for so many years was president of the State University, Chapel Hill.

A special from Williamston, N. C., says the conflagration there recently, which swept away the postoffice and a large part of the town, was undoubtedly incendiary. An unsuccessful attempt was made on Saturday night to burn the post office. The special states that business in the town is entirely demoralized. All the principal business houses in the town were destroyed.

The Gold Leaf learns of accident near Townsville Tuesday morning which resulted in the death of one person and the serious injury of another. Two colored women Ellen Bullock and Fanny Hargrove living at Major Sneed's were riding in a buggy when the horse became frightened and ran away. They were both thrown from the vehicle and Ellen Bullock was killed and the other seriously hurt.

Crime just now is rife in the State. The case of Dr. Stone in Chatham, who poisoned a man named Weathers and has now eloped with his beautiful daughter; the Abernethy-Grimsley case in Greene county; and the case of the Baptist preacher in Wilkes who is in jail for deserting his own family and eloping with another man's wife--all these show that the devil is still at large and getting in his fine work. Devil is spelled with a large D these days.

Not many people know that in Sampson county, on the lands of L. W. Hodges, there is a cave of large size, covering 100 acres. It is near the headwaters of the Northeast river. Its floor is of sand and its roof of sandstone about 8 feet in thickness, on this being some 10 feet of earth. A bold spring, with water sufficient to run a turbine wheel, pours in the cave. A company is expending \$2,500 in the improvement of the cave, so that persons can ride or drive into it. The locality is 5 miles from Warsaw.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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Tinware, Crockery, etc.

Large stock Tinware and Lamp Goods. Large stock Crockery from a cent Glass to \$20 China Set.

Guns and Pistols.

New lot Pistols, Breach Loading Guns and Muzzle Loaders at astonishingly low prices. Big stock loaded and empty shells and wads; in fact, sporting goods of all kinds.

Builders' Material.

Sash, Doors, Blinds, Lime, Plaster, Cement, Terra Cotta Piping, Paints, Oils, Glass, &c.

Buggies and Wagons.

Just received new stock Wagons, one and two horse. We warrant these wagons to give satisfaction and the prices are right. Nice stock of Buggies and Cars which must be sold at once as we have too large stock. Buggy and Wagon Material.

Farming Implements.

Disc Plows and Castings, Boss Plows and Castings, Farmers Friend Plows and Castings, Smith's Cutters, and in fact everything in the way of farming implements.

Housekeepers' Goods.

Sewing Machines, Rogers Knives and Forks, Carving Sets, &c. Choice line of goods suitable for bridal presents.

Belting.

Largest Stock of Rubber and Leather Belting in the county; in fact, everything in the Hardware line. Pumps of all kinds.

Agents for Dupont's Sporting and Blasting Powder.

Just received car load best 120 or 160 test Red and White Oil, and can supply merchants at lowest wholesale prices.

Gun and Locksmithing, Gutting and Roofing