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BRIEF LOCAL MENTIONS.

What is Transpiring Around and About Us. in Town and County.

-Bicycle riding has become very popular in Oxford. -The thermometer dropped to 60 Monday and people wore overcoats. -Remember now is the time to list your corporation and county taxes. -The last testimony in the Williams-Settle case was taken in Oxford on Saturday. -The mosquito and the sea bather are making arrangements to meet on the beautiful shore. -Dr. J. E. Wyche was again elected Secretary of the North Carolina Dental Association. -Mr. T. D. Waller is most favorably mentioned for re-election as County Commissioner. -The commencement exercises of Granville Institute will take place June 7th and 8th at the Institute. -Mr. Alf Hobgood has another boy at his home who is letting the household know that he is around. -Maj. W. B. Gulick, of Washington, D. C., will arrive in Oxford tonight to make a visit to his old friends. -We are sorry to learn from Mr. C. R. Lewis that his daughter, Mrs. Bacon, of Chase City, Va., is at home quite sick. -There is a proposition in Massachusetts to tax the bicycle as a luxury, and the wheelers are putting on their war paint to fight it. -There was a large number of attractive young ladies from a distance in attendance upon the commencement here this week and the young men were happy. -Times are times, and money is money, and if you want to save money, ladies, you can do so by buying your millinery from Mrs. J. T. Britt, near Hall's drug store. -The young gentlemen of Oxford will give a German at Armory Hall this Friday night, complimentary to Miss C. B. Hyde, the accomplished music teacher at the Granville Institute. -Ruffin Jones, one of Oxford's good colored men, died Saturday on the farm of R. Broughton, near Chase City, Va. His remains were brought to Oxford on Sunday and interred near town. -Seventy sailors deserted from the British vessels that participated in the late naval review. They seemed to like this country so well that they concluded not to remain in the service of her Majesty. -L. E. Wright is now cornered, at the old Max stand. The store has been repainted and presents a neat appearance. If you wish to buy goods at such figures as to suit the depleted corner in your pocket book, why go to Wright's. -As our friend of the Reidsville Review has been so quick to report the deposition in Stokes county in favor of Mr. Settle would it not now be in order for him to publish in full the deposition of John R. Webster taken in that city last week? -J. V. Rice has sold out his fire insurance business to E. G. Currin for the purpose of devoting his whole time to State work in the life insurance business. Those who desire first-class policies will do well to call on him as he represents the very best class of life insurance. Office with E. G. Currin in the new Usry block, over Lynch's jewelry store.

-Read the new legal advertisements elsewhere. -Our esteemed young townsman F. P. Hobgood, Jr. graduates at Wake Forest this week. -J. M. Sears, who has been spending several months in Kentucky, returned to Granville on Tuesday. -We regret to chronicle the death of Mrs. Alphonso Royster, daughter of Dr. P. B. Wilkerson, which occurred on Saturday last near Buchanan. -The closing exercises of College Street Seminary will take place this Friday evening at the Opera House. The public is cordially invited to attend. -Mr. J. C. Davis has rented the store formerly occupied by J. J. Medford, on Hillsboro street, and will in 8 or 10 days open up a new stock of groceries. -Through the efforts of our polite agent, Capt. G. Dusenberry, of the R. & D. R. R., after Sunday the morning freight will connect at Durham with the down train for Raleigh. This is good news for our people. -Rev. T. U. Faucette joined together at the Osborn House Thursday morning a handsome young couple from Crewe, Va. They were W. T. Wilson and Miss Sallie O. Harper, who had overcome many obstacles to be made one. -We neglected to say in commenting on the picnic at Cannady's mill that it was gotten up by the good people of the neighborhood and not wholly by Mr. Cannady, and was largely attended by those who contributed to the pleasures of the day. -The horse of Capt. A. S. Peace attached to a buggy, become frightened on Tuesday at some bicycles and run away demolishing the buggy. There was no one in it at the time. Mrs. C. J. Ward narrowly escaped being run over while crossing the street. -Messrs. T. M. Washington and U. H. Cozart have rented a new warehouse that is now going up at Wilson and will open in time for the sale of the coming crop of tobacco. They are wide-awake young men who know how to run a warehouse and we predict for them success. -The jailor and his assistant, both negroes, in Vance county, have come to grief. Last week in the Superior Court, Judge Shuford presiding, W. H. Lewis was tried for allowing prisoners to escape and found guilty and fined \$30 and cost. The assistant was put behind the jail bars for nine months. -Messrs. Hundley Bros. have commenced the erection of a brick building at the Orphan Asylum to be used as a laundry. In the past year the noble Dr. Black has made quite a number of needed improvements at this institution, and the building of the laundry will really supply a long felt want. -We want it distinctly understood that we will not allow our columns to become a vehicle for personal attacks of any kind whatever. We do not do it ourselves and will not allow others to do it. Were we to admit the various communications that were sent to this office it would break up the peace of neighborhoods. -If the Alliance is not a Third party machine why did some of the sub-Alliances in Granville county vote to stand by and support the Third party ticket just before the late election? Was this the cause of negro rule in Granville and the reason why some of the blatant

Thiridites said they rather have negroes in office in preference to Democrats? -It is said there is no accounting for the taste of some men, but we cannot understand why some old line Democrats who said such bitter things about the Thiridites, can get the consent of their minds to foster and encourage Thiridites who did everything in their power against the interest of the people, and upon whose shoulders largely rests the bane of negro rule in Granville. Such Democrats deserve to be beat every time.

SOMEONE SHOUTED FIRE

And There Was Almost a Panic in the Opera House.

Two colored men had a fight on Williamsboro street Monday night while the annual concert of the Oxford Female Seminary was in progress at the Opera House. Tom Haskins and Tom Hester wore the names of the belligerents. Haskins struck Hester on the head with a beer bottle, and the latter yelled "murder! fire!" and a few other things. Some one in the gallery of the Opera House heard Haskins' cry and shouted at the top of his voice "fire!" The house was crowded. Rev. Dr. Hatcher was delivering his address. The sudden and terrible alarm threw the audience instantly in a fearful state of excitement. Everybody jumped from their chairs and screams of women and children rent the air. Most of the people were panic-stricken. There was a wild rush for the doors. Prof. Hobgood and Mayor Royster climbed upon the stage and shouted it was a false alarm, and implored the audience to keep their seats. Many heard them and stopped in their flight. A few cool-headed men in the back part of the house gathered at the doors and prevented a rush down the steep steps to the streets. Then, while the crowd was still pushing and giving vocal vent to their fear and excitement, Dr. Hatcher began singing the hymn, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." It was not long before others joined in, and the singing had the effect of soon reassuring the frightened people and restoring order. In a little while the audience was reseated and Dr. Hatcher resumed speaking. The escape from a panic attended with most serious results was a very narrow one. -Horner School Glee Club. The Horner School Glee Club gave its first public entertainment Friday night, at the Opera House. The door receipts were given to the Orphan Asylum and other benevolent institutions. The cadets composing the club, some sixteen or more in number, possess good voices, and their songs, solos and choruses, were well rendered and won applause. The instrumental pieces were also well received. -Some of the jokes gotten off by the "end men," Lightner, Mathewson, Bingham and Parker, were of their own invention and caused much laughter. -Any grade or style bicycles sold or repaired by Factory prices. ju2tf S. H. SMITH. -J. G. Hall, druggist, recommends Johnson's Oriental Soap for all skin and scalp diseases. Try it.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Brief Mention of the Movements of Your Friends and Acquaintances.

--Nick Fullerton is at home from school. -Judge Winston is at home from holding Iredell court. -Hunter Fleming, of Clarksville, Va., was here Tuesday. -Mrs. J. T. Cozart, of Carlton, was in town Wednesday. -Jack Gregory, of Richmond, Va., was in Oxford Sunday. -Frank Landis is at home from the University of Virginia. -J. C. Caddell, of the Biblical Recorder, was in town this week. -Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Clay, of Clay, were on our streets Friday. -Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bobbitt, of Wilton, visited Oxford on Friday. -Mr. Crawford Biggs is home from the University for a few days. -Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Royster, of Person county, were in Oxford Monday. -Col. W. A. Bobbitt was in Richmond at the re-entrment of Jefferson Davis. -Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Owen, of Henderson, spent several days in Oxford this week. -Miss Mattie Usry, after a month's visit to High Point, returned home Monday evening. -Mr. R. W. Adeock, of Oak Hill, was on the breaks Friday and we had a call from him. -S. A. Fleming, of Hesters, was in Oxford Monday and called at the PUBLIC LEDGER office. -Mrs. T. H. Briggs and daughter, of Raleigh, were the guests of Mrs. T. L. Hargrove this week. -Miss Mollie Lanier, who has been teaching school in Asheville, returned home on Tuesday. -Fred N. Day, of Winston, was in Oxford this week on a short visit to his relatives and friends. -Mr. H. M. Lanier, the veteran tourist among business men, spent several days in town this week. -J. T. Ragan of Berea, accompanied by Misses Lula Sait and N. S. Duncan, called to see us Wednesday. -Messrs. Lonnie Hunt and Bailey Hobgood, two old Oxford boys, now of Durham, spent several days here this week. -Simpson Latta, of Berea, called to see us on Saturday and he informed us that he had a young Democrat at his home. -Col. Tom Boyd spent Sunday in Durham. He is a wide-awake and persevering young man and we wish him success. -Phil Thomas, of Hall's drug store, is at his home near Williamsboro, quite sick from the effects of vaccination. -We are glad to know that Mr. Willie Devin has finished his course and is a regular law graduate of the State University. -The Misses Street, two fascinating young ladies of Person county, were in attendance upon the commencement exercises this week. -We had the pleasure of meeting in our office Saturday Willie Clement, who has by hard and persistent pluck worked his way from fireman to that of an engineer on the R. & D. R. R. He is now at Raleigh. We congratulate him and trust he will continue to reap reward for strict attention to duties.

-Miss Lula Best, of Green County, is visiting her Uncle R. R. Best, of Oxford. -J. M. Norwood, the cigar manufacturer, of Raleigh, was in town Wednesday. -Dr. A. J. Dalby has been a sufferer this week with a carbuncle on his nose. -Squire S. V. Ellis was confined at home several days this week on account of sickness. -Mrs. L. F. Smith and Miss Verna Peed, of Hargrove, were in Oxford Wednesday shopping. -G. D. Pittard, O. F. Bullock, and John Haskins, of Stem, were on our streets Wednesday. -Misses Kettie Satterwhite, and Nettie Hunt, were the guests of the Misses Holloway this week. -C. G. Royster, a progressive young business man, of Bullock, dropped in to see us Wednesday. -Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Crews, and Mr. and Mrs. Norfleet Crews, of Salem, were on our streets Wednesday. -W. L. Hunt, of Tar River, and J. H. Morris and R. W. Hobgood, of Sunset, were among the visitors to this office Wednesday. -Misses Georgia Duncan, and Annie Ragan, and John Ragan, M. J. Cox and W. J. Wilkerson, all of Berea, visited this office Tuesday. -J. B. Elliott, and A. A. Overton, of Clay, called to see us on Tuesday, and we regret not meeting them, as they are good citizens and farmers. -We had the pleasure of meeting in our office Monday Tom Currin, an old Granville man. He is now a prosperous farmer in Mecklenburg county, Va. -Mrs. C. M. Shepard, of Suffolk, Va., was here Monday and Tuesday visiting her daughter, Miss Annie Shepard, the talented teacher of vocal music at the Oxford Female Seminary. -Miss Cornie Pettey, a handsome and winsome young lady of Caswell county, and a graduate of Oxford Female Seminary, was in attendance upon the commencement to the great pleasure of her many Oxford friends. -John Stone, ex-editor of the Henderson Hustler, accompanied by John McClamb, spent Sunday in Oxford. These boys must be attracted by some of our fair maidens, as Oxford cannot be downed on pretty girls. -J. W. Chandler, of Northern Granville, accompanied by Mr. Nunn, of Push, Va., was on the breaks Tuesday. Both of them dropped in to see the editor of the Public Ledger. We are always glad to have our farmer friends call whenever they visit Oxford.



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