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Personal, Marriages, Deaths, Gossip, Politics, the Fireside, Churches, Schools, Farming, &c., &c.
News from Outdoors.

Card of Thanks.
CREEDMOOR, N. C., April 15, '95.
MR. EDITOR:—As the PUBLIC LEADER is a friend to all true and tried Democrats, I wish to have a few words to say through its columns. To the good people of Creedmoor and surrounding country I wish to extend my thanks for the kindness they have shown me in my long protracted sickness. Although I am not a native of their county they have cared for me like a brother. Never was there a better people lived than the people of the good old county of Granville. May the richest blessings of the Supreme Ruler rest on the good people of Creedmoor and surrounding country for the kindness they have shown in my deep distress, is my sincere desire.
Yours to serve,
A. S. COOKE.

Berea Brevities.
The freshest last Monday washed away a good many plant beds.
Miss Sallie O. Thorp was quite sick last week but we are glad to learn that she is improving.
We had the biggest freshest in the streams around here Monday that we have had for a long time.
Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Day, of Oxford, spent last Saturday and Sunday at Berea visiting their daughter, Mrs. Dr. Swancy.
The wheat crop seems to be feeling the effect of the recent rains and warm sunshine as we have noticed some fields that begin to hide the ground.
The road supervisors of Walnut Grove township are making arrangements to have the road fund of said township worked out on the roads leading to Oxford through said township.

Home For Imbeciles.
"BELLEVUE," April 8, 1895.
MR. EDITOR:—I have been asked many times about the result of our application to the late Legislature for an appropriation of \$4,000 for the establishment of a "Home and Training School for Imbeciles;" and I would like to tell something about it to you, and all good friends of the cause. We (Mrs. Brown and I) first began our work in Raleigh by personally interviewing some of the members—such as we imagined to be most respectable—and presenting to them the great and urgent need of such an institution. Mrs. Brown generously offered the use of her own house in Washington, N. C., for as long a time as the appropriation should be continued. We were invariably received with courtesy, and at least an appearance of great interest in the cause, and if all the fair promises made to us had been fulfilled, we would have received not only their earnest support but more than double the amount that we asked, for we were told on several occasions that we "should have asked for much more than \$4,000 for such a noble and necessary work."

But alas! for the good faith of a Populist Legislature! Though we did indeed find one good and true man (there may have been others, but were too "few and far between" for us to find them) but that one good man, Mr. Franck, from Onslow, most promptly and zealously took up our "bill" and introduced it himself in the Senate. Then he was taken ill the very next day with pneumonia, and suddenly passed away from the political babel that surrounded him to the peaceful rest of the grave. This was of course a sad blow to our cause, but we had received so many promises of support from others that we still hoped the bill would be passed, having also the apparently hearty endorsement of the Committee on Education before whom I had presented it myself, about thirty members being present, and all (with the exception of one or two simple-minded negroes and a few disreputable looking white men) pledging their earnest support to the bill.
After returning to our homes we waited in anxious suspense for the final result, but when the disgraceful affair of the Douglass adjournment" came to our ears, we were most sincerely rejoiced to find that our bill had been ignored, or stolen, or lost in any way, so that we were not indebted to such a Legislature for its successful passage, for to have found favor with that assemblage, would have been more honor for them than they were able to bear while it would doubtless have injured the cause among many who were really true-hearted and friendly to it, if its success had been secured under the circumstances. So we are neither disheartened nor discouraged, though we may be delayed in the work, which in due time we will take up and carry on under more favorable auspices, and we hope and believe with better results.
MRs. L. E. AMIS.

It May do as Much for You.
Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he had a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected. He tried many so-called kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began use of Electric Bitters and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to cure of all kidney and liver troubles and often gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statement. Price only 50c. for large bottles at J. G. Hall's drug store.

Push Paragraphs.
Our friend T. D. Waller spent Sunday evening with Dutch.
Lewis Chandler, of Buffalo, Va., visited our section recently.
Miss Minnie Brown is spending the week at her home in Danville.
Our Sunday school has reorganized and resumed work again. We hope to do a good work this season.
Our farmers are right much behind but are getting a hump on them and will no doubt get there in good time.
The recent rain which fell was so very heavy that it stopped our trains by washing away several bridges on the A. & D.
Our pastor, Rev. P. H. Fontaine, filled his appointment here Saturday and Sunday and preached two excellent sermons.
The man who deceives his neighbor by wearing two faces is simply paying for a ticket to hell. Woe be unto a hypocrite.
Some of our people abuse the "old rattle trap" but we have reasons to believe she is gaining ground and no doubt in 1896 will rattle so loud that not a sound of Thirdism will be heard.
It was a pleasure to us to meet in Oxford Tuesday the clever and genial "Lumber Jack," of Berea. Come again old friend and give us your spicy items and help us to talk to the boys.
DUTCH.

Outchville Driftings.
Miss Sallie J. Aiken, of Tar River, is visiting relatives in this neighborhood.
Our farmers are very busy now planting and preparing to plant corn.
We fear the sweet potato crop will be short as we learn the seed are rotting in the beds.
The peach crop will be small as we think a good portion of them are killed by the cold.
Mrs. Louisa Clark, who has been quite sick with the grippe, we are glad to hear is improving a little.
Mrs. C. C. Wheeler, accompanied by her little son, Geoffrey Thacker, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Suit.
Tobacco plants are very small for this season of the year. Some farmers think if they can get through planting their crop by the 10th of June they will do well.

An Actual Occurrence in Tennessee.
Not many weeks since while waiting impatiently (in the waiting room at Johnson City) for the Southbound train to Chattanooga, I met a "mountain beauty" of East Tennessee, who evidently had come in for a day's sightseeing. She was extremely tall and angular and her thin calico dress and limb sunbonnet of the same material clung to her as if they had no other support in the wide world, and her face which by the way was slightly freckled, wore a "madonna" expression. Fixing my eyes on this mountain beauty (thinking of course I had made a few moments afterwards she was by my side and raising her voice to about the pitch of "E in Attissimo" enquired: "Aint you a drummer?" I am a traveling salesman," I replied; "what can I do for you?" "Well, I want to know about my train and ther aint nobody round that seems to know anything, and you drummers seems to know it all," she laughed.
I soon gave her the desired information and then she branched off: "I wuz over ther in the men's side uv the depot awhile ago," she said, looking around, "and when I went in ther every man wuz a smokin ann the way they treated me wuz realty insulturn." "You didn't expect them to stop smokin did you? That is their waiting room you know and they have the right of way." She gently tapped the floor with the heel of her big calfskin shoe for a moment. "But they might have been polite," she contended weakly. "What did you want them to do," I asked? "Well, some uv em (and here she pouted) might a axed me to smoke." Then reaching my hand in my pocket, I pulled out three cigars and offered them and not to my surprise she took them all, and in a few moments was happily "puffing" away while I looked on in enjoyment.
F. O. L.

Culbreth Cuttings.
Mr. Muke Jones is sick with pneumonia.
Mr. Sam Harris is on a visit to his home in Wake.
Mr. E. K. Howard is on a business trip to Virginia this week.
Mr. S. H. Jones visited the Red Mountain section to spend his holiday.
Mr. W. H. Blalock and wife, of Oxford, spent Sunday and Monday in this section.
Mr. Nat. Jones is confined to his bed with fever, and truly hope he will soon be out again.
The show and holiday have come and gone and everybody has settled down to business once more.
Mr. S. H. Jones has purchased Messrs. Howard Bros. stock of goods and is ready to serve his friends at both stores now.
Mr. W. W. Howard and his sister, Mrs. Wilson of Roxboro, spent a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Howard, this week.
More water and plenty of water seems to be all the go now and farmers are cast down over the gloomy prospects of making a crop.
We are glad to state that Squire W. H. Smith continues to improve. He is one of the oldest men in this section, and has been sick for some months.
The pic nic at Tar River Academy on Monday was a success and all seemed to have a most pleasant time. Dinner was plentiful and greatly enjoyed. Some eating as many as three times, while others seemed to be talking so much love that they were unconscious of dinner or any thing else but themselves. We were glad to follow with the picnickers Miss Octavia Holloway, of Oxford, and Miss Lucy Dean, of Henderson. After the pic nic was over a goodly number gathered at the home of Mr. E. A. Howard and spent a few hours very pleasantly playing and singing.
HULLER.

Knights of the Maccabees.
The State Commander from Lincoln, Neb., as follows: "After trying other medicines for what seemed to be a very obstinate cough in our two children we tried Dr. King's New Discovery and at the end of two days the cough entirely left them. We will not be without it hereafter, as our experience proves that it cures where all other remedies fail." Signed F. W. Stevens, State Com. Why not give this great medicine a trial, as it is guaranteed and trial bottles are free at J. G. Hall's drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

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Dexter Dots.
Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cutts are visiting Mrs. Josh Wilson.
Mrs. Dixon, a very old lady near here, is quite sick with grippe.
A Mr. Bullock, of Stem, visited his uncle, Mr. W. H. Green, Sunday.
Miss Alvada Green spent last week with her sister, Mrs. G. G. Tillotson.
Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Ragland spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Green.
Misses Sodie Hunt, Ada and May Breedlove visited Miss Alvada Green recently. Some of Dexter's young men seemed to enjoy their smiles.
There is a very interesting prayer meeting at Dexter academy conducted by Capt. Henry Crews. It is largely attended by the young people. We hope great good will be accomplished.
"The young as well as the old must die." It is with a sad heart we chronicle the death of Mr. James Purgerson, which occurred Tuesday night, April 23, of typhoid fever. He leaves a wife and one child, many friends and relatives to mourn their loss. He professed faith in Christ during his last sickness. Weep not, dear wife, but be ready to meet him in glory.
TOOTHBRUSH.

Granville Greetings.
The school of Mrs. R. W. Clay closed Friday evening.
We hardly think the fruit has been blasted to any considerable extent and still think the prospect excellent for a bountiful crop. But didn't it have a close call?
Mr. S. T. Dickerson must be going into the sweet things as he made a raid on the great Sunday school man, J. P. Hunt, holiday and captured a barrel of molasses.
We heard a young man say he hoped that all mortgages would be null and void for another fellow had one on his dearly beloved, and he thought that the best law enacted by the fusionists.
The little daughter of Mr. W. M. Bradford, Beulah, has only attended school, which is being taught by that prince of teachers Miss Hattie Parham, five or six days can read glibly in the first reader now. She could not spell but little if any when she commenced.
Oh "Jack," we must think you are wrong in saying you have no sympathy for that young man whose sweetheart has gone off to school and would like to see others as you have been. Do recollect the Golden Rule—"Feel towards others as you would others feel for you."
Rev. W. S. Hester discoursed with the Gray Rock people Sunday at 11 o'clock and the Bethelites at 3 p. m. Has Bethel come to that, that we have to take what is left in everything? But notwithstanding the Sunday school is well on the way of progress and we hope soon to have it second to none on the circuit.
There stands in the yard of M. J. McGhee, near Hobgood's old mill, an old oak tree which measures 95 feet from tip to tip and is 19 feet 9 inches in circumference. We saw another object which attracted our attention—a black sheep. Mr. McGhee told us it was a lamb when he was a boy, and he was about 35 years old.
The little daughter, Adel, of Mrs. Pat Parrish as they were crossing the creek on a log at Tippet's mill, fell and came near being drowned. Mrs. P. had a small one in her arms, a little boy by the hand and Adel holding to her dress, and she could not assist the dear little Adel, and had it not have been for the timely appearance of a Mr. Tunstall she would have been drowned, which for all time he will be her great benefactor.
Friend "Leo," you gave us a concise and very full description of the Nance Carpet Factory, telling its officers, its capacity and the many kinds of work done in it, and who was admitted and who not, all of which we thank you and think very nice. But, my dear old friend "Leo," what about those few plain questions we asked you that you have adroitly failed to notice, one of which was had you been a member of the last Legislature would you have voted to adjourn in honor of Douglass as others did? &c. But you don't forget to say "Oh! ah! Leopold, you like to have frightened us with the ghost of Fred Douglass. Oh! how can you be so reckless." Now, "Leo," we did not have the remotest idea of scaring you with a negro or Republican. We understand you better than that. If we had intended to frighten you we would have put you a Democrat. Have you forgotten how far friend you were in the last election? That you took down the Populist banner and hoisted the banner of the Republicans in this county, advising your noble order to do likewise? Are these not facts, "Leo?" We might ask you another question, but suppose it would be unanswered as some of our former ones have been, and we won't. Is it not in order now to say, "He who lives in a glass house should mind how he throws stones?" As regards Mr. Cleveland's inviting Fred Douglass to one of his receptions I care nothing. But Mr. Fred Strudwick said it was a lie and Republican rot. I would not vote now to adjourn any body in honor of Mr. Cleveland. Would you in honor of Mr. Douglass? I know you ought to answer now. Will you? Just a word about Gov. O'Ferrall introducing social equality at his table. Did he know that there were any negroes in the number of delegates, and had you have been a delegate would you have taken repeat knowing that two negroes composed that august body? We do most sincerely hope and expect you will answer this question and tell us if you would have let such an honor slip as to refuse to take tea with the Governor of Virginia, the State which is called the "Mother of Presidents." Now we will say to you we do not greatly enjoy writing on the above line and have been forced to it by some of your ear marks, and we will promise you if it should concern to answer every question we are informed on that you may wish information. Will you do the same? Brother "Leo," you have fallen in a pit from which you will not be able to extricate yourself unless you come back home, and while the doors are open come, "While the lamp holds out to burn, the vilest sinner may return." LEOPOLD.

Pleasant Points.
The outlook for a fruit crop is very good if we have no blasts.
The fall wheat and oat crops are the most inferior ones for a long time.
J. W. Pleasants, who has been on the bed for four weeks with a cut foot, is able to move about the house a little.
The past two weeks has been a busy time with the farmers in this community. Some have commenced planting corn and the balance are getting ready.
Rev. E. E. Coletrane filled his appointment the first Sunday and preached a most excellent sermon from Ephesians 6th chapter and 2d and 3d verses—honor your parents.
We went over to the school which is being taught by Miss Lena Pleasants to hear the children's compositions, speeches and dialogues and they acted in a way that showed good training.
Notwithstanding the hard times people are buying and hauling guano for corn and tobacco, so you see that sweet Legislature, though they did some very mean things, did not stop our people from buying fertilizers.
We were at Virginia recently and found the merchants quite busy selling goods, and the warehousemen were anxious for the weed promising to give satisfaction, if not they would pack your tobacco and put in the depot free of charge.
Mrs. J. G. Shotwell, Misses Hattie Currin, Addie Nevil and Messrs. Clem Stantord, Sam Currin and Huster Pump were the guests of Mrs. R. H. Pleasants the first Saturday night and Sunday, and also Kid Satterswhite and also little Puckett and Royster on Sunday.
It seems to be an easier matter to raise plant bed covers than to raise plants as some one raised one from R. H. Pleasants' bed a few nights ago. This makes the third one we have heard of being stolen. One man found his and the parties had made clothing of it.
Well, politics is the next thing we think of. We heard a negro say the other day that he was done with that low down, mean party, and this was one of the leading negroes (political) in this community. So you can see he does not like the laws passed by that sweet Legislature. I hope things will remain as they are as I think it will be best for us in the future.
CHOPPER.

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