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PUBLIC LEDGER.

OXFORD, N. C., FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 1896.

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A FEW BITES.

Little Minnows of News Caught in the Stream of a Week's Happenings

—Dr. Coggeshall and Col. R. J. Mitchell lost fine Jersey cows last week.
—Mrs. R. H. Marsh has rooted some choice species of geranium which she wishes to sell.
—The dwelling house of Mr. W. A. Woody, Bethel Hill, Person Co., was destroyed by fire on Monday.
—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cooper will occupy the Gilliam residence as soon as the improvements are completed.
—The handsome prize house of Mr. Graham Royster on the corner of Penn Avenue and Broad street is being painted.
—The host of friends of Mr. N. B. Cannady, will be glad to learn that he continues to improve from a severe attack of acute rheumatism.
—Mr. Phillips, of Boynton, had one of his horses to die on "horse swapping lot" Tuesday, and Chief Renn had him sleighed off to the bone yard.
—At 5 o'clock Wednesday morning the Seaboard shops at Raleigh were destroyed by fire, and is a total loss. Work of rebuilding will commence at once.

Messrs. Will Galick, C. H. Easton, Tom Winston and J. D. Brinkley have gotten rid of their heavy coat of whiskers preparing for the summer campaign.

—We wonder what has become of "Dutch," our valuable correspondent of Northern Granville? We have not as yet heard of his becoming a victim, if it is leap year.

—Let the Superintendent of Health and the Chief of Police join hands and see that the town is put in a good sanitary condition. Let the work begin at once gentlemen.

—Master Wingate Hollaway was arrayed for the first time in pants on Sunday, and accompanied "Uncle Billy" Hollaway to Sunday-school. Wingate is one of the bright and handsome little boys of Raleigh St.

—Master Morehead Emmett, was out on Saturday afternoon walking with his devoted mother, cunningly dressed up in his pants, and called to see us. He is a manly little fellow, and the joy of his mother's heart.

—Rev. J. B. Hurley was taken sick on Sunday morning with vertigo just as he commenced preaching. He dismissed his congregation and was taken home. He was all right next day and mingling with the people.

—In case that noble Democrat, Caleb Green, of Durham, is in favor of free silver, why would he not be a good man to nominate for Congress in this district? He is a power on the hustings and would make a gallant fight.

—The genial Alf Hobgood must have been talking with the statesman at Carlton, as he is now brim full of fusion between free silver Democrats and Populists. Well, we shall see which way the cat is going to jump.

—If you have rheumatism it is best not to delay the matter. It might prove fatal. Rheumatism is a sure cure. It removes the cause of the disease, and is also the greatest of all blood purifiers. Sold by druggists everywhere.

—Just as we predicted in our last issue Broomfield Ridley, the old colored jury hanger on, was holding one of the bleaching boards down in front of the Court House at 7:45 o'clock Monday morning. He must have arrived the night before.

—Some 50 colored voters assembled at the Court House Saturday night with Bill Royster as chairman to nominate town officers. Major B. S. Royster was endorsed for Mayor and Mr. J. Y. Parris for Commissioner, the balance of the names we could not learn.

—Any Democrat who is willing to support Col. J. S. Carr, of Durham, for Governor, should also heartily support Treasurer Worth, as Col. Carr is a Democrat and his largest bondsman. So far as we are concerned we do not see any difference. Both of them are good men.

—The PUBLIC LEDGER of the 10th instant did not reach quite a number of post offices, some of which were only 7 to 15 miles from Oxford, until Saturday the 19th, being out on the road 8 days. The question now arises where were the packages all that time? Will some rise and explain.

—It looks to us from the late consultation between the Republicans and Populists at Raleigh, that Senator Butler was really in earnest as to his advocacy of free silver which we hope will prove true in the end. Of course the regular pie counter seekers will not be in accord with him, as they allied themselves with the Populists for spoils only.

—Married at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Ralph Currin, of Oak Hill township, Wednesday, April 15th, 1896, Mr. W. W. Adeock and Miss Martha E. Currin, J. A. Pool, Esq., officiating. Immediately after the ceremony the wedding party and a host of friends were invited to the home of the groom where a most sumptuous dinner was served, which was highly enjoyed by all. The best wishes of the PUBLIC LEDGER go with Mr. and Mrs. Adeock through life.

—J. B. Elliott, a young farmer of North Fork section, comes to the front with a hen that lays eggs three inches long.

—Strange coincidence. Ex Register of Deeds, R. J. Daniel and Charlie Hester both called to see the "Old Man" on Tuesday at the same time.

—It is said that Grant Foster continues to grow larger and larger, and is claimed that Slippery Tommie Scott's boom is the cause of the inflation.

—Chief Renn requests us to state that he will make his usual round in regard to the sanitary condition of the town in a few days. Keep a look out for him and have your premises thoroughly cleaned.

—The Merchant of Venice Friday evening, April 24th, at the Opera House at 8:30 o'clock, don't fail to see it. Tickets 25 cents. Reserved seats 35 cents. Tickets on sale at J. G. Hall's drug store. Proceeds for Building fund of St. Stephen's church.

—The famous Geo. I. Nowitzky, with his tongue swung on a pivot, appeared on a dry goods box Tuesday in Oxford to the great delight of his host of friends. He is a regular charmer and his medicines stand as the best of its kind on the market. The doctor is always welcome in Oxford.

—Mr. C. S. Chandler, and brother, of Oak Hill Township, were on the breaks Friday and sold tobacco with W. I. Wilkerson. Mr. C. S. Chandler called to see us and renewed his faith in the PUBLIC LEDGER. Later we saw him roll out of Oxford in a new buggy, with a bright smile on his face.

—Col. Nathan Lunsford, the King of Shake Rag, and great dispenser of the law, was numbered with those who met with a cordial welcome in our sanctum Tuesday. He really looked better than we ever saw him, as he had a fine coat of beard on his face which gave him a distinguished appearance.

—Mr. John A. Waller, of Knap of Reeds, passed through Oxford Monday on his way to Louisville, and we enjoyed a few minutes talk with him in our office. We found him in good spirits and hopeful that all free silver men would get together and elect a President, and the editor joins him heartily in the wish.

—Champion heavy weight tobacco men, Mr. Eugene Crews, the noted auctioneer, and Mr. W. H. Blalock, the splendid book-keeper at the old reliable Meadows Warehouse tip the scales at 240 pounds each. Of course Jumbo Williams of the Farmers Warehouse reaches out and goes either one of them 60 pounds better.

—Dr. J. G. Hunt, who has been at the bedside of his sick brother, Mr. Lon Hunt, at Fortness Monroe, returned home Wednesday evening, and we are glad to learn that he continues to improve. He visited the Secretary of War and succeeded in securing his discharge from the army. He is now in a hospital at Baltimore.

—Capt. W. S. White, the polite agent of the Southern Railway at Stovall, has felt the great need of a help-meet and consequently on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, April 22, he wedded Miss Jennie Hester, of Adoniram. The marriage took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hester, in the presence of a home gathering. Rev. R. H. Marsh performed the ceremony.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will give an Experience Party Friday night at the residence of Mr. J. B. Hurley, of College street. Prizes will be donated by Mr. John J. Paris to the one who brings in the best experience and the one who brings the most money. Admission 10 cents. No further charges. Plenty of refreshments suited to the season. There will be some rare experiences. Let everybody come and hear them.

—We regret to learn of the death of Mr. W. A. Davis, which occurred at Lynchburg, Virginia, on Saturday evening last of consumption. He was at one time one of Oxford's most enterprising citizens, and was one of our leading warehousemen several years ago. He established the Torchlight and ran it successfully for about 10 years. Some four years ago, in company with Major N. A. Gregory went to Richmond and established a leaf warehouse, which proved not a success. From there Mr. Davis went to Lynchburg and connected himself with a warehouse in that city. He was a member of the Episcopal church, and leaves a wife and three children to mourn his death.

We know of but one community in the world where dyspepsia is practically unknown, and that is the Shakers of Mount Lebanon, N. Y. These good people have been studying the subject of digestion for more than a hundred years, and that they understand it pretty thoroughly, is evidenced in the foregoing fact. Their Digestive Cordial is the safest and best remedy in cases of indigestion that we know of. A trial bottle can be had through your druggists for the trifling sum of 10 cents.

The Shaker Digestive Cordial supplies the system with food already digested, and at the same time aids digestion of other foods. It will almost instantly relieve the ordinary symptoms of indigestion, and no sufferer need be told what these are.

Laxol is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

Have your job work done at the PUBLIC LEDGER office

OXFORD DEMOCRATS MEET.

Mayor and Commissioners Nominated Friday Night.

The Democrats of Oxford held an enthusiastic meeting at the Court House Friday night, as there was a very large attendance. There was considerable excitement exhibited over the nomination of Mayor as two of our most popular citizens, Major B. S. Royster and Mr. A. J. Feild, were contending for the nomination in a friendly way.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Sol W. Cooper and he requested Mr. J. C. Horner to act as temporary chairman, with J. T. Britt as secretary. On motion of Mr. J. C. Biggs the temporary organization was made permanent with Mr. F. B. Wimbish as assistant secretary.

It was decided that none but Democrats should participate in the convention, and Messrs. H. M. Shaw, Sol Cooper, J. S. Hunt and J. C. Biggs were appointed a committee to pass upon the qualifications of voters. Messrs. J. Y. Paris and J. A. Taylor were appointed tellers. Nominations for Mayor then followed. Mr. E. T. Crews nominated our present able and efficient incumbent, Major B. S. Royster, whose most excellent record speaks for itself. Mr. J. A. Taylor nominated Mr. A. J. Feild, a popular citizen and an able lawyer. At this juncture Mr. Feild made a statement to the convention refuting some charges made against him in connection with his candidacy.

There were no other candidates nominated and balloting commenced amid much excitement as it was well known the contest for the nomination was exceedingly close, as the friends of Messrs. Royster and Feild were out in full force doing all they could for their favorite.

When the ballots were counted out, 157 votes had been cast, it stood as follows: B. S. Royster, 81; A. J. Feild, 76, a difference of five votes in favor of Major Royster, and Chairman Horner declared him the nominee amid applause.

Mr. Feild arose and thanked his many friends for the hearty support given him which he appreciated most highly. Major Royster next spoke and tendered his warmest thanks for the confidence and support accorded him, and would continue to discharge the trust reposed in him in the future as he had done in the past. On motion of Col. W. A. Bobbitt the nomination of Major Royster was made unanimous amid applause.

Nominations for Commissioners were next in order, and Dr. E. T. White and Mr. J. M. Currin in neat speeches declared renomination after their names being mentioned.

Messrs. J. Y. Paris, W. D. Currin, S. H. Cannady, S. W. Cooper, J. G. Hall, J. F. Edwards, J. C. Horner, J. P. Stedman, J. T. Britt, J. E. Howell, J. B. Booth, W. L. Mitchell and A. A. Hicks were placed in nomination. As a result of the vote Messrs. J. F. Edwards, J. G. Hall, W. L. Mitchell, S. W. Cooper, J. Y. Paris, John Booth and W. D. Currin received the nominations for Commissioners and were so declared by the chairman.

After the selection of an Executive Committee as follows the convention adjourned: Messrs. J. Crawford Biggs, J. A. Taylor, J. G. Hunt, S. W. Cooper and B. M. Shaw.

—Mr. W. B. Ballou took in Danville this week.

—Capt. Gus Hall is at Cannady's mills today with a party of friends trying their luck fishing.

—The handsome J. M. Norwood, the excellent cigar manufacturer of Raleigh, is in Oxford today with samples of fine cigars.

—Mr. J. M. Murai, of Murai Bros. & Co., Cigarette manufacturers of Kyoto, Japan, honored our town with a visit Saturday and was the guest of Mr. W. A. Adams.

—Mr. H. W. Krounheimer, the valuable assistant editor of the thrifty Southern Tobacco Journal, Winston, arrived in Oxford Sunday and spent several days under the parental roof. His many friends in Oxford greeted him cordially.

Messrs. E. D. Lyon and son, Clarence, of Creedmoor, W. N. H. Harris, of Wilton, E. N. Crews, of Dabney, William Pleasants and W. H. Daniel, of Creedmoor, J. T. Bullock and J. T. Ferguson, of Mt. Vernon, Capt. Rufus Amis, of Virginia, Thos. Bullock, of Stem, J. D. Tilley, of Knap of Reede, James W. Dickerson, of New Light, W. A. Parkman, of Watkins, A. A. Gordon, of Berea, J. E. Ford, of Pleasants, and J. B. V. Tunstall, of Bullock, called Tuesday and paid their respects to the PUBLIC LEDGER.

The rapidity with which crowd develops calls for instant treatment; and yet few households are prepared for this disease. An admirable remedy for this disease is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It has saved hundreds of lives and should be in every home where there are young children.

OXFORD, N. C., APRIL 23, 1896.
TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEES OF GRANVILLE COUNTY.—I have this day sent you by mail blanks for having the census of the school children of your districts taken. The law requires that the census shall be taken and returned to the register of Deeds on or before the first day of June in every year. See section 3579 of the school law. It is very earnestly desired that you give this your personal attention so that an accurate census can be had this year. If you fail to get the blanks let me know at once and I will send you more.

CHAS. F. CREWS,
Register of Deeds and Clerk ex-officio to Board of Education. apl24-1t.

AND HE GOT IT IN THE NECK.

Did up the Old Man at the Democratic Town Meeting in Glorious Shape.

Then there was the most intense excitement at the Democratic meeting Friday night.

The name of the Old Man, of the PUBLIC LEDGER, had been presented for town commissioner by an admirer, in whose heart must have welled up immense patriotism as the average country editor is not generally in the swim!

The court room rang with cheers that lasted five minutes, ten minutes, fifteen minutes, and seemed as though it would be prolonged even throughout the night and beyond the dawn. The Chairman managed to restore order after nearly wearing his arm off rapping with his gavel.

"I beg you, gentlemen, to be quiet for a while," he said, "so that the business of the meeting may proceed. There is other important work for you to do, and that is to nominate our most highly esteemed and inestimably valuable townsman as one of the commissioners."

"I desire," said a citizen, springing upon a bench, "to second this nomination. The Old Man has labored in season and out of season for the upbuilding of Oxford. He cheerfully gives his aid to everything helpful to the town, its tobacco market, its people, its churches, its schools, its politicians. Why, my friends, the way he booms our tobacco market, the bed-rock of our prosperity, enterprises and men without hope of reward, and the way he puffs up amateur theatricals, concerts and entertainments, and then pays his admission fee to see the show and to point out the things that he writes up, are beautiful examples of giving much and receiving—nothing! Let us honor him—we can consistently do so—for he will get no pecuniary or other returns for his services as a dad of the town."

Renewed enthusiasm followed this tribute. The applause was tremendous. The lights danced, the windows rattled, the very walls of the building shook.

"I, too, heartily second this most excellent nomination," shouted another citizen when things were comparatively quiet once more. He had jumped upon the clerk's desk, and his remarks were punctuated with deafening yells of approval. "Remember, I beg you, what the Old Man has done for the party! He is ever in the thickest of the fight and stands firm amid the threats of being whipped, abuse of the enemy, and despite of boycotts. He is criticised, condemned and cursed but never wavers. He contributes to the wherewithals to run the campaigns, is liberal in furnishing us printed matter and doesn't murmur when we are two years behind in paying him for election tickets. We must take advantage of this inexpensive opportunity of showing our appreciation his worth and work. We can square ourselves with him at a real bargain."

The yelling was tumultuous. Plastering dropped. Sleeping babes all over town were aroused and began crying.

A third citizen took the floor and said, when he could be heard: "A great political campaign is about to open, and we need the Old Man in our business as he is a bold, hard fighter. I am for him and—"

"Enough, enough!" went up a cry. "Yes, yes. Let's vote! Vote! Vote!"

Men screamed in excess of enthusiasm, danced and tossed up hats. "Hurrah for the Old Man!"

"One moment," a fourth citizen managed to put in. "Let us not go too fast. We may make a grievous mistake. The Old Man has done without anything so long—has received no sort of recognition—that there is danger of spoiling him even with an unsalaried, feeless office. We want to preserve him as he is now; keep him out of temptations."

This was a wet blanket. The excitement subsided under a discussion of the matter from this new point, with the result that the Old Man got it where the domestic bird got the edged-tool associated with the fame of the Father of his country.

A Rare Entertainment.

Under the joint auspices of the Oxford Female Seminary and the Horner Military School, Mrs. Hannibal Williams, of New York, will give a reading of Shakespeare's beautiful comedy, "The Winter's Tale," reciting from memory almost the entire play and impersonating the characters.

She has read before the most cultivated audiences in the Northern and Southern cities and always with entire success. The Ladies' Home Journal, of N. Y., the New York Herald and other metropolitan papers pronounce her an artist in this line.

The Messrs. Horner and Prof. Hobgood have engaged her to give this reading for the benefit of their schools. The admission for the general public is 50 cents.

The reading will be given in the Chapel of Oxford Female Seminary on next Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Dr. J. E. Wyche Coming.

Dr. J. E. Wyche, will make his annual visit to Oxford, and remain during the month of July, on professional business. He requests that all desiring his professional services to remember the time and call and make engagements when he comes. apl17.

THE TRAVELLERS.

People That Move with the Times—They go Forward, of Course.

—Graham Peed, of Tar River, was on our streets Friday.

—W. H. Osborn, of Greensboro, was in Oxford Tuesday.

—Miss Porter, of Tarboro, is the guest of Misses Lawrence.

—Judge and Mrs. Coble are stopping at the Meadows House.

—Miss Pleasants, of Creedmoor, is visiting the Misses Longmire.

—Mr. E. T. Rawlins has returned from a business trip to Baltimore.

—The hustling O. R. Smith, of Henderson, was in town Saturday.

—Maj. N. A. Gregory, of Richmond, Va., spent Sunday in Oxford.

—Mr. Henry Knott returned Friday from a trip to Eastern Carolina.

—Mr. W. H. Gregory, of Stovall, honored us with a visit on Wednesday.

—That splendid merchant, Ira Hunt of Kittrell, was in Oxford on Tuesday.

—Mr. Dave Lawson, a clever gentleman of South Boston, Va., is visiting Oxford.

—Mr. G. T. Sherman and two little daughters were in Oxford Saturday, shopping.

—Mrs. James Tyson, of Durham, is spending a few days with Mrs. J. L. Ferguson.

—Our old friend C. C. Wheeler, of Duthville, dropped in to see us one day last week.

—Major W. A. Guthrie, and C. J. Hulin, Esq., of Durham, were on our streets Monday.

—Mr. J. K. Clement and daughter, of Brownsville, spent a few hours in Oxford Monday.

—Mrs. John Smith, and Mrs. L. F. Smith, of Tar River, were on our streets Monday.

—Mr. W. W. Knott, of Dinwiddie county, Va., visited relatives in the county this week.

—Mrs. W. E. Dorsey, and sister, of Fishing Creek, were in Oxford Tuesday shopping.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hancock had another daughter born unto them a few days ago.

—Mr. S. M. Evans, postmaster and merchant, of Satterwhite, dropped in to see us Wednesday.

—Messrs. Shelburn, Thomas and Thorp, all revenue men, were on our streets Wednesday.

—Messrs. J. B. Neal and W. H. Pannabaker, of Virginia, Va., paid us a short visit Monday.

—Misses Alma Piper and Lillie Smith, of Hargrove, were among the shoppers in Oxford Tuesday.

—Mayor Southerland, of the prosperous town of Henderson, honored our town with a visit Tuesday.

—Messrs. A. E. Bobbitt and W. E. Cannady, of Wilton, and H. Suit, of Berea, called to see us Friday.

—Mr. Smith, of Wilmington, accompanied by Mrs. McRary and Miss Rowe Wiggins, visited Oxford Wednesday.

—S. L. Wilson, of Wilton, and Wes Brummitt were numbered among the pleasant visitors to our office Monday.

—Miss Langdon Hicks, who has been on an extended visit to friends in Oxford, has returned to her home at Warrenton, Va.

—Mrs. Dr. A. F. Osborn and two daughters, Misses Hettie and Annie of Lawrenceville, Va., are visiting at the Osborn House.

—Mr. W. L. Umstead, of Bahama was in our town Friday and we had the pleasure of meeting the young gentleman in our office.

—Mr. John Ragan has left us and east his lot among the good people of Rolesville. We wish him much success in his new home.

—Mrs. W. D. Lynch returns to Oxford today from an extended visit to her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Kingsbury, at Wilmington.

—Ex-Judge Winston, of Durham, Maj. John W. Graham, of Hillsboro, and Capt. W. B. Shaw, of Henderson, are attending our court.

—Mr. Philip H. Boliman, late superintendent of Victoria Cotton Mill, Newburyport, Mass., is the guest of Mr. Louis de la Croix.

—Mr. D. T. Jackson, a veteran farmer of Creedmoor section, was in Oxford Tuesday, and we had the pleasure of grasping his warm hand.

—Mrs. C. A. Tuck, accompanied by her son-in-law, Mr. W. D. Amis, the prosperous merchant of Virginia, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Oxford.

—Judge Graham is at home this week, having as usual, made good record holding Edgecombe court. He will preside over Bertie court next week.

—Old Smith, of Hampton, was on our streets Tuesday looking as young as a 16 year-old. He had his mustache dyed to hide his gray hairs as it is leap year.

—Two gentlemen little boys of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Hester, of Creedmoor, joined their father in a visit to Oxford Tuesday, and the editor enjoyed a visit from these bright looking and rosy cheeked lads.

GRANVILLE SUPERIOR COURT.

Judge Coble and Solicitor Bynum at their Post.

Granville Superior Court commenced on Monday with a light criminal docket, and in the language of the able Solicitor, "I am glad to see that Granville people are getting better every month." All the officers of the court were on hand and are discharging their duties with their usual diligence, but thus far Broomfield Ridley and Ed Jones, two faithful colored bench warmers, have failed to be called by our friend Coley Gill as tails jurors and they are cast down and exceedingly sorrowful.

The following compose the grand jury: R. A. Amis, foreman, Ed Buchanan, S. P. Washington, B. H. Peed, Thos. Morris, J. E. Howell, Goodridge Wilson, D. C. Hunt, C. E. Gooch, L. Meadows, E. T. Smith, W. R. Bullock, J. M. Elington, W. T. Allen, John S. Eakes, J. F. Puckett, T. B. Parham, John W. Fuller.

Judge Coble's charge was plain and matter of fact, conveying no new points as to the various offences to be considered by the grand jury, and did not consume a great deal of time in reading his charge. The State docket was taken up and Solicitor Bynum in his vigorous way prosecuted offenders against the peace and dignity of the State occupying two days and left for home with the satisfaction of knowing that the people of Granville are getting better every day.

State vs. Bud Holman, a. w. d. w.; guilty; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Baxter Aaron Allen, Wm. Merritt and Will Corbett, forcibly entering dwelling; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Benj. Hester, a. w. d. w.; guilty; 15 days in county jail.

State vs. Geo. Hardee, assault; guilty; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Chas. Thorp and Allen Dodson, a. w. d. w.; guilty; Thorp pay fine \$3 and half cost and Dodson 30 days in jail and pay half cost.

State vs. Ned Smith, burning church; nol pros.

State vs. Tom Emmett, c. e. w.; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Henry Sanford, enticing servant from employer; not guilty.

State vs. Joseph Smith, burning church; not guilty.

State vs. William Herndon, attempt of housebreaking; guilty; sent to the pen for one year.

MAKING A GOOD RECORD.

Judge Graham Continues to Receive Compliments.

Our distinguished townsman and all round good citizen, Judge A. W. Graham, recently held Northampton court and Brother Connor, of the Patron and Gleaner, speaks in the following high praise of him, and it is a pleasure to us to reproduce it:

"The Patron and Gleaner does not follow the stereotyped custom of praising everybody who comes along especially men in high position; neither does it speak disparagingly, except for good cause."

We have purposely refrained from expressing any comments on Judge Graham, who presided over the two weeks term of Northampton court which adjourned at Jackson last Friday, until after the adjournment of court in order that we might know what had been done and speak intelligently of his work entirely unbiased.

"By their works ye shall know them." According to this rule no judge deserves higher commendation, for Judge Graham cleared about fifty final judgments and cleared the docket of many old and troublesome cases.

Judge Graham is a comparatively young man, though physically and mentally a strong man, and a thorough gentleman. He is his own man—has his own opinions about questions arising for his consideration, and about the public questions of the day, and we believe they are generally right.

As a public officer he realizes that "a public office is a public trust." He is prompt, aggressive, and at the same time reasonable and judicious. He has been only about one year on the bench, having been appointed by Gov. Carr in February 1895, to fill a vacancy, and yet he ranks with the first of our judges.

Gov. Carr has been particularly happy