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Sale of Land.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER AND DECREE of the Superior Court of Granville county, in the special proceeding wherein A. H. Gregory is trust for his son, Edmond B. Gregory, &c., is plaintiff and Lucy B. Smith and others are defendants, I shall on Monday, the 27th day of July, 1896, it being the first day of July Term, 1896, of Granville Superior Court, sell to the highest bidder, at the courthouse door in Oxford, the tract of land described in the complaint in said special proceeding. Said land is in Walnut Grove township, Granville county, adjoining the lands of Mrs. Ann Morton, Dr. Wm. Thorpe and others and contains 218 acres more or less, it being the tract of land known as lot No. 2 of the division of lands of the late Peterson Thorpe, Sr., deceased. Terms of sale: One calf cash and the balance in 12 months with interest from day of sale till paid. Title retained until all the purchase money is paid. Time of sale 12 o'clock, m. This June 26th, 1896.
L. C. EDWARDS, Commissioner.
B. S. ROYSTER, Attorney. je26-4t.

Sale of Land.

BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER OF SALE conferred on me in a certain mortgage deed executed to me by William Green and wife Mary A. Green, on the 25th day of July, 1891, and duly recorded in mortgage book 20, page 521, of the Register of Deeds office of Granville county, I shall on Monday, the 10th day of August, 1896, sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in Oxford, Granville county, the tract of land described in said mortgage deed. Said land is situate in Dutchville township, adjoining the lands of Mrs. Mordica, Thomas B. Coley and others on the waters of Knap of Reeds, containing one hundred acres, beginning at the mouth of Knap of Reeds creek North 55 degrees East 250 poles to a white oak, thence to the Fish Dam road to a stake.
Time of sale 12 o'clock, m. This July 8th, 1896.
WM. S. BRUCK, Mortgagee.
B. S. ROYSTER, Attorney.

Notice.

HAVING QUALIFIED AS ADMINISTRATOR of Louis Amis, dec'd, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to his estate to come forward and make payment without delay, and to those holding claims against the estate, to present them to me for payment, as provided by law before the 1st day of July, 1897, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.
June 26th, 1896. J. S. AMIS, Administrator.
je26-4t.

Executrix's Notice.

HAVING BEEN DULY QUALIFIED AS EXecutrix of the estate of Cannon Hopkins, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and settle the same at once. Persons holding claims against said estate will present them to me for payment on or before the 3rd day of July, 1897, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This July 3rd, 1896.
NANCY J. HOPKINS,
Executrix.
jy10-6w. pd.

Administrator's Notice.

HAVING BEEN DULY QUALIFIED AS Administrator of the estate of Christine Bowling, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and settle the same at once. Persons holding claims against said estate will present them to me for payment on or before the 16th day of June, 1897, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This June 16th, 1896.
J. P. THOMAS,
Administrator.
June19-6-t.

TIMELY HITS.

Points Scored in a Week's Game of Seek and Find.

—Mrs. A. B. Spencer, who has been on the sick list some days, is convalescent.

—The two heavy weight Crews' (C. F. and Eugene) are busy computing the tax list.

—The many friends of Mr. Joe Parham will be gratified to learn that he is slowly improving.

—Mr. J. L. Garrett has returned to Oxford and has joined Mr. Ad Usry in the grocery business.

—Mr. T. W. Jackson was confined at home several days on account of sickness, but we are glad to see him out again.

—The Oxford nine went to Henderson Tuesday to play the nine of that town, and was defeated by a score of 22 to 12.

—Messrs. Norman Burwell and Plunk Meadows, who have been sick some days with malarial fever, are improving slowly.

—Our Baptist friends had with them on Sunday morning, Rev. Dr. Royall, of Wake Forest College, who preached an elegant sermon.

—We neglected last week to thank our most worthy friend, Mr. H. E. Overton, of Fishing Creek, for the first watermelon of the season.

—Superintendant N. M. Lawrence is off on a tour of the State with a class of 12 Orphans, who will delight all the people who have the pleasure of hearing them sing.

—Rev. Shorter Caldwell, the very able pastor of the Presbyterian church, was absent Sunday and his congregation was deprived of a good sermon, the kind he preaches.

—Owing to the continued sickness of Rev. James Plummer, there was no services at St. Stephen's church Sunday. We truly wish this able divine a rapid restoration to health.

—☞If any of our readers fail to get their paper next week, they will readily know the cause, as they are behind on their subscription. Our motto is NO PAY, NO PAPER.☜

—Bets are offered in Raleigh, with no takers, that not one of the chairmen of the three parties can give an estimate within 10,000 votes of the actual present strength of his party.

—Mr. Henry Knott has joined the Granville eastern band at Wilson, where he will make his home. We with a host of friends regret to lose "Hense," and wish him unbounded success.

—From the reports in the newspapers Mark Hanna's boodle is being used freely among the Populist delegates at St. Louis this week. Well, their action will prove whether they are spoils hunters or patriots.

—The Orinoco Club will now have to throw up the spunge on playing tennis, as the small negro boys have established a court in the rear of the PUBLIC LEDGER, using as rackets pine paddles, and the wire fence as a net.

—Quite a number of our people are attending the District Methodist Conference at Bullock's Church, near Hester. This is one of the finest communities in the State, the people being hospitable to a mark degree.

—Mr. C. L. Smith, agent of the Southern Railway is at his home in Concord sick, and Mr. H. D. Peters, of Keysville, is acting in his place, and is accompanied by his attractive lady. We hope their stay in our town will be a pleasant one.

—Granville Superior Court convenes on Monday with Judge McIver presiding. This will be his first term in Granville, and no doubt he will be an improvement on some who have preceded him and more business transacted than heretofore.

—Mr. W. H. McSparran and Miss Helen Pemberton stepped across the border Saturday and drove to Oxford, and were happily married at the Meadows House in the presence of quite a number of our citizens, Rev. G. B. Perry officiating.

—At the sale of the Blacknall real estate on Monday in front of the Court House Mr. R. S. Usry bid off the old home place for $2,970, the store house on Main street by Dr. J. G. Hall, and the 15 acres of land by Rev. J. R. Griffith, of Virginia.

—We take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the law card of Major B. S. Royster. He is too well known to our people for any words of commendation at our hands, as he enjoys a fine practice. Any business entrusted to his care will receive prompt attention.

—The office-seeking Populists are beginning to unmask themselves. Billy Brown openly says now he will vote for Gold standard and McKinley in preference to Free Silver Bryan. Well, the others will in a few days have to show their true colors. We take it that more of them will prove that they are demagogues of the first waters.

—Deep sorrow and gloom for the first time, cast their dark shadows over the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bullock on Broad street, which occurred on Thursday last, when their infant child fell "Asleep in Jesus." A little rosebud has been plucked to bloom again in all its beauty in the bosom of one who said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

—We call attention to two administrator's notices in another column.

—Mr. T. G. Taylor has thus far offered the finest watermelons for sale on this market.

—We call attention to the dissolution notices of Davis & Hunt and S. F. Critcher & Co. in this issue.

—The Francis Hilliard School will open Sept. 4. This school ranks among the finest in the State, and the faculty cannot be surpassed. Read the advertisement elsewhere.

—The Rutherfordton Democrat, Concord Times, Gastonia Gazette and Salisbury Truth also "draw a card and stay in," and support the Chicago nominees. The Southport Leader is the only paper in the State that bolts.

—F. W. Hancock is attending the N. C., Pharmaceutical Association, at Morehead City. He will also spend a few days at his old home at Newbern. During his absence his business will be conducted by Mr. J. J. Ward, of Durham, who a competent Pharmacist.

—The Concord Vestibule, Pop organ, says: "It strikes us that Major W. A. Guthrie, a corporation lawyer, a monopoly attorney, is no representative Populist to head the ticket. Give us a farmer or some other workingman. A lawyer as a lawyer is no reform."

—Misses Margaret and Kathrine Hilliard are spending the month of July on Little Moose lake in the reserver of the Adiroudock League Club of New York, as the guests of their Uncle, Mr. F. G. Burnham, of Morristown, New Jersey. They expect to return to Oxford about August 21st.

—Legal Row, after the good use of paint, presents a very neat appearance. If the two hucksters could be gotten rid of there would be still greater improvement. Those who have offices on the row are Messrs. J. Crawford Biggs, Paul Graham, H. M. Shaw, Alex. J. Feild and Thornton Lanier.

—Mr. J. H. Shelburn, of Durham, arrived in Oxford Friday night, and with the aid of officers made a raid in the Wilton section, and captured a still, cut it up and destroyed 2,000 gallons of beer. The still was warm and a light was burning. There was no one at the still when the officers arrived, as it was about 3 o'clock in the morning.

—Our old friend, Rev. J. R. Griffith, now of the Virginia Conference, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church Sunday morning and night, and delighted as well as edified the congregation with two eloquent and able sermons. He is a strong preacher and gets better as he grows older. He has been very successful in his ministry.

—All magistrates and overseers of roads in the county according to law are required to meet at their different precincts in their respective townships, on Saturday the first day of August, for the purpose of receiving reports, and reporting roads, and also for the appointments of overseers. Remember and do not forget this, or you will be indicted.

—A Special from Franklinton, N. C., July 22, to the News and Observer says: "At a negro pic-nic or political gathering near here to-day Genadus Jackson, colored, was killed by being struck with a stick. Jas. A. Moore, son of ex-Sheriff J. I. Moore, is now under arrest here charged with the killing. The origin of the trouble cannot be learned to-night."

—We are again called upon to chronicle the death of another babe from cholera infantum in our town. The infant daughter of Mrs. Lillie Lyon forever closed its eyes to earth early Thursday morning, and the burial will take place this Thursday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock.

"Weep not, dear mother,
O, bow not in grief;
Trust in your Saviour,
He hath promised relief.
In yon blissful mansion,
On Heaven's bright shore,
You shall meet with your loved one,
To part never more."

—Mr. Joe Hall has in his store a very unique and convenient bed built expressly for invalids or those who are sick. It is accessible on all sides with mechanical adjustment of head-rest and bed without even disturbing the patient. It is undoubtedly the very thing for the sick room, relieving the nurse of many arduous duties. The bed is compact and easily managed and can be cleansed in a few minutes without disturbing the occupant. Those interested should be sure and call at Mr. Hall's store and examine the bed.

From the private consultation and caucusing that is carried on daily in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court between J. M. Sikes and the two Bills, Slippery Wm. Crews and the Rev. Bill Royster, the Republican political pot must not be boiling gently or the three bosses cannot make out a slate that they can heartily support and will be palatable to their friends, the Populists. The question now arises whether the self-respecting Populists of our county will consent to be bossed and controlled by such glittering black diamonds, while J. M. Sikes, in his quiet, unassuming way pulls the fusion strings.

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NORTH CAROLINA EDITORS.

They Met at the Thriving City of Wilmington Last Week.

The meeting of the Press Convention of North Carolina is always looked forward to with great pleasure by this pencil pusher, as we really love to meet the brethren of the Press, grasp the warm and sympathetic hands of the midnight toiler, the hustling evening paper man, along with the great back bone, the men who come in contact with the masses, and fight bravely for good government and the upbuilding of our commonwealth, of which Wilmington is one of the garden spots,

On the way to Wilmington we were joined at Durham by "Old Hurrygraph"—Robinson of the Sun—but he did not hurry around very rapidly as he had been reflecting some days on the ups and downs of life, mostly the downs, as Col. Malaria had occupied his strict attention, but nevertheless nearer he got to Wilmington the better he felt and was as jovial and as happy as of yore.

We had to stay in Goldsboro two hours and had the pleasure of meeting many of our old friends, among whom was Mr. Thos. W. Slocumb, the competent and most faithful representative of the Coast Line Railroad, who is numbered among the purest, best men of the city, and had the great pleasure of dining with him and his most estimable family.

On our arrival at Wilmington we were met at the depot by President Stevens, of the Newbern Journal, and Mr. Chas. M. Whitlock, of the Chamber of Commerce, and escorted to the Orton House. It was our first visit to this now great commercial city since the convention met there in 1875, numbering among its members John D. Cameron, Jordan Stone, J. A. Bonitz, R. B. Creasey, E. B. Englehard and others whose names we cannot recall.

The Association met in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday morning with President Stevens in the chair. Owing to the illness of the able and efficient Secretary, Mr. J. B. Sherrill, of the Concord Times, Mr. D. J. Whichard, of the Greenville Reflector, was requested to act as Secretary. After prayer by Rev. Robt. Strange, of Wilmington, Mr. Iredell Mears welcomed the editors on the part of the Chamber of Commerce. Although we found many great improvements in the "city by the sea" after hearing the most excellent address we were aware of the fact what the eye had not seen the ear heard and was a revelation to us. He said Wilmington had 24,000 population and referred to the deepening of the river and bar as factors in making this one of the greatest and most important ports on the South Atlantic coast. Said that Wilmington was the nearest port to the great cities of the West, and was nearer to San Francisco by some 300 miles than New York or Baltimore This port was also 200 miles nearer to Chicago than New York or Baltimore and was the nearest port to Cincinnati and other western cities. By the closing of New Inlet, he remarked, we have at low water a depth of 22½ feet of water on our bar and 21 feet in the river. This port was, therefore, par excellence, one of the best ports of the South, which would be a great advantage in view of the competition in transportation by the great railway systems.

The Wilmington Seacoast railroad to the sound carried last year from 100,000 to 125,000 passengers. There has been, in the past few years, an investment of $1,500,000 of foreign capital in Wilmington and vicinity. They had exported last year 250,000 bales of cotton, 50,000 casks of spirits turpentine, 200,000 barrels of rosin and tar in proportion. They also exported 3,900,000 feet of lumber, besides shingles and 80,000 bags of peanuts. The imports consisted largely of molasses, kanit and salt. Mr. Mears also spoke of the wonderful development of the trucking industry and splendid resources for truck raising. On thr line of the Wilmington & Weldon railroad there are four towns, with less than 2,000 inhabitants, that in less than sixty days this season shipped $750,000 in strawberries and truck. One tracker alone paid $750 in freight in one day, besides paying out large amounts of money for labor and fertilizers. The fertilizers are manufactured here and with the labor consisting of home people, the money is being kept at home to develop this section As to the climate he said it was semi-tropical and is similar to that of Italy.

President Stevens next introduced Major W. H. Bernard, who has kept the Morning Star twinkling for nearly 30 years and in his usual pleasant and humorous way extended a cordial welcome of the Association to Wilmington. On the part of the Press the gallant Col. John C. Tipton, the versatile editor of the Rutherfordton Democrat, replied to Major Bernard. His speech was a good one and in his introductory remarks which were very complimentary to Wilmington, said the grateful task of responding on behalf of the North Carolina Press Association to the very cordial and decidedly warm welcome we have had to your delightful city, both on the part of my distinguished friends, Messrs. Meares and Bernard and the manager of your weather bureau afforded him great pleasure. Not a member of this association has not heard of Wilmington's hospitality, for this lovely city, rich in historic points and associations reaching back beyond the birth of the nation; rich in its wealth of lovely, cultured womanhood; rich in the ability and distinction of its professional men whose achievements have added luster to the history of the commonwealth; rich in the wisdom and success of its commercial men—this city possessing so many valued and engaging features, is at once the metropolis and pride of the State.

The number of members was augmented by 13, among whom were Mr. Benj. Bell, of the Messenger, and Major Bernard, of the Star.

The address of the President carried with it many good suggestions for the benefit of the State press, and was well received by the association.

The session was numbered among the most pleasant we have attended, as the editors were in good spirits and entered into the proceedings of the convention with much interest.

We enjoyed a trip to Wrightville, and Ocean View, and bathed in the rolling waves of the Atlantic.

At Wrightville a genuine oyster roast was participated in, and the boys let them slip as if they were use to them.

On Thursday the association accepted an invitation from the polite and warm hearted Capt. J. W. Harper of the Steamer Wilmington, and visited Carolina Beach, Southport, old Brunwick Church, and the mouth of the Cape Fear. While on board we richly enjoyed the hospitality of the gallant glider over the waters of the Cape Fear.

We thank Messrs. Chas. M. Whitlock, F. L. Huggins, and President Chadburn, of the Chamber of Commerce, Sheriff Stedman, Benj. Bell and handsome Col. Clawson, of the Messenger, and Major W. H. Bernard of the Star for many courtesies received at their hands. To show how well the Association was treated in Wilmington the following resolution offeredby Col. J. C. Tipton wasunamously adoped.

Resolved. That the thanks of the North Carolina Press Association are hereby extended to the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce for their cordial invitation and entertainment while in Wilmington; to the Wilmington Sea Coast Railroad; to the Wilmington Street Railway; to Capt. J. W. Harper, of the steamer Wilmington, and to the railroads for courtesies extended.

The following officers were unanimously elected for the ensuing year:

President—R. R. Clark, Statesville Landmark.

First Vice President—J. B. Whitaker, Jr., Winston Sentinel.

Second Vice-President—John T. Britt, Oxford Ledger.

Third Vice-President—W. A. Curtis, Franklin Press.

Secretary and Treasurer—J. B. Sherrill, Concord Times.

Poet—W. W. McDairmid, Lumberton Robesonian.

Orator—John C. Tipton, Rutherfordton Democrat.

Executive Committee—J. A. Thomas, Louisburg Times; H. A. London, Pittsboro Record; Thad. R. Manning, Henderson Gold Leaf; J. A. Robinson, Durham Sun; J. W. Bailey, Biblical Recorder.

Delegates to National Convention in 1897, at Galveston—J. B. Whitaker, Winston Sentinel; J. A. Thomas, Louisburg Times; M. L. Shipman, Brevard Hustler; Benj. Bell, Wilmington Messenger. Alternates—H. T. King, Greenville Weekly; J. W. Noell, Roxboro Courier; J. A. Arthur, Washington Messenger; J. J. Farriss, High Point Enterprise.

In a House of Many Mansions.

Mrs. Sallie Waller died at her home near Lyon on Tuesday last after an illness of several months in the 70th year of her age. She was numbered among the best women of her community, being warm-hearted and sympathetic, and had many warm friends who mourn her death. She was a Baptist in faith and a zealous Christian, and delighted in doing good. After a well spent life she is reaping a reward in a House of Many Mansions.

She leaves behind one son and three daughters, Mr. W. H. Waller and Mrs. R. O. Lyon and Misses May and Scrappie Waller and many relatives, among whom are Mr. T. D. Waller and Mrs. L. W. Meadows, of Oxford.

The funeral services took place Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Mr. Davis, of Creedmoor, assisted by Rev. Mr. Mashburn, from her late home, and the remains were interred close by the place where she had spent the best days of her life, witnessed by a large concourse of sympathizing friends.

To the brother and sisters the editor extends his warmest condolence in the great loss they have sustained.

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THE TIDE OF TRAVEL.

People Coming or Going in All Directions--A Record.

—Mrs. A. A. Hicks went to Chapel Hill Friday.

—Mr. Will Bain returned to Raleigh Tuesday.

—Rev. J. M. Horner was in Baltimore this week.

—Miss Annie Landis has returned from Chapel Hill.

—Miss Lottie Britt is visiting relations in Goldsboro.

—Mr. Cog Hampton, of Hampton, was on our streets Saturday.

—W. A. Parham, of Watkins, dropped in to see us Saturday.

—Miss Mary Farabee, of Oxford, is visiting friends in Tarboro, N. C.

—Miss Ethel S. Dorsey, of Henderson, was on our streets Monday.

—Miss Dorathea Coggeshall is on a visit to the Misses Norris in Raleigh.

Col. Wimbish is on a visit to his son, Mr. F. B. Wimbish, on College street.

—Mr. John Morris has returned from a visit to friends of Harnett county.

—Little Miss Buxton, of Jackson, is on a visiting her sister, Mrs. H. M. Shaw.

—Mr. E. C. Harris, of Fishing Creek, dropped in to see the editor Saturday.

—Mrs. E. G. Currin and children are on a visit to relatives at Scotland Neck.

—Misses Mary and Nellie Currin left Saturday for Kinston to visit Miss Moye.

—Mr. W. A. Sadler, of Winston, was on a visit to Mr. John Hunt the past week.

—Mrs. J. B. Hurley and children have gone to Lexington to spend a few weeks.

—Mr. A. C. Parham, wife and daughter, near Oxford, were on our streets Saturday.

—Mrs. C. D. Ray, of Roxboro, is on a visit to her parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Marsh.

—Messrs. J. G. Shotwell, of Berea and Coley Gill, of Dexter, dropped in to see us Tuesday.

—Miss Lula Wimbish, of Mecklenburg county, Va., is the guest of Miss Carey Wimbish.

—Mr. W. T. Hunt, of Tar River, was a pleasant visitor to the PUBLIC LEDGER office Tuesday.

—Little Misses Isabella and Christine Busbee, of Raleigh, are the guest of Miss Lena Taylor.

—The live merchant on Main St., Mr. E. H. Crenshaw, is recuperating this week at Buffalo Springs.

—The pleasant Charley Blacknall, of Kittrell, spent Monday in Oxford to the delight of his friends here.

—Rev. J. R. Griffith arrived in Oxford Friday, and remained a few days. We enjoyed a visit from him.

—Capt. T. M. Washington, after spending several weeks in Oxford has returned to his home in Wilson.

—Mr. R. L. Tilley, of Hampton, was among the visitors to Oxford Monday, and found his way to this office.

—Miss Clara Crews, one of the preposessing young ladies of the Watkin section, was on our streets Tuesday.

—Mrs. D. A. Allen, and Mrs. P. L. Burney, of Dallas, Texas, are on a visit to their brother, Mr. A. B. Spencer.

—Miss Tempie Williams arrived home from Washington City Friday on a visit to the pleasure of her many friends.

—Miss Alice Carrington, one of the facinating young ladies of Bullock section, was in Oxford Tuesday for a few hours.

—Col. Henry Wilkerson spent a few days last week at La Grange, looking at the fine tobacco crops of that prosperous section.

—Mr. S. M. Bobbitt, who has been spending several weeks in Oxford, has returned to Wilson to get ready for the fall tobacco campaign.

—Mr. J. H. Carlisle, of Portsmouth, Va., visited Oxford this week, and his old friends were glad to see him, and pleased to know that he is doing well.

—Messrs. Geo. Watkins and M. S. Daniel two of the worthy citizens of the Cornwall section, were in town Monday, and visited the PUBLIC LEDGER.

—Mr. Clem Daniel, of Charlotte, joined Mrs. Daniel in Oxford Friday and spent a few days. He left Monday to spend a few days with relatives at Roxboro.

—Mrs. Bond, of Jackson, Tenn., accompanied by her accomplished daughter and two sons, arrived in Oxford Tuesday on a visit to her brother, Mayor B. S. Royster.

—Miss Hodges, one of the splendid teachers at the Orphan Asylum and an accomplished lady as well, bid her many warm friends good bye on Tuesday, and left for her home.

—Mrs. Sallie F. Crews, now of Wilson, who has been on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. S. V. Ellis accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Fleming, returned to Wilson Wednesday.

—Mr. L. Woodlief, of New Light, was in town Thursday.

—Mr. R. R. Callis, of Carlton, called to see us Thursday.

—Judge A. W. Graham returned Wednesday from a few days sojourn at Virginia Beach.

—Capt. A. S. Peace did not go to St. Louis and Mr. John A. Waller, of Knap of Reeds, took his place.

—Misses Gertie Beasley, of Durham, and Carrie Wilder, near Oxford, are visiting Miss Lula Knott.

—Prof. F. P. Hobgood, Sr., attended the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Thomasville Orphanage this week.

—Mr. J. H. Terry, of Rocky Mount, who has been spending a few days in Granville, passed through Oxford Wednesday on his return home, and called to see the editor.

—Prof. A. B. Kimball, of the Charlotte Democrat, who is on a visit to his parents at Providence, was in Oxford Tuesday, and it was a pleasure to the editor to grasp his warm hand.

—The pleasant J. R. Hart, of Cornwall, smiled in upon the ugly "old man" Tuesday, and renewed his faith in his county paper. He informed us that he was fortunate in having a splendid crop, which had not been damaged by the rains. We wonder if he will not bear off the prize as the champion farmer in his section this year?

THE MERRY MILKMAIDS.

Splendidly Rendered at Opera House on Friday Evening Last.

This delightful Operetta was charmingly rendered at the Opera House last Friday night by home talent, and when we say home talent we wish to be understood as meaning that few professional troups could have done better.

From the opening chorus to the close the audience seemed thoroughly well pleased. We shall not attempt to give any extended account of how gracefully the ladies and gentlemen acquitted themselves, nor shall we mention their names. Suffice to say each strove to surpass the other and the result was a most decided success.

The girls were attired as milk maids and we are not surprised that "Farmer Jim" should have found his ideal among such a collection of grace and beauty.

Oxford has always prided herself upon how well her people do everything they undertake, and "Merry Milkmaid" is to be added to the list of successes.

To much cannot be said in praise of Mrs. John B. Booth, to whose refined taste and talent, and untiring energy our people are indebted for the this delightful evening. To her and her able corps of assistants we extend the thanks of the community. Such pleasuse giving entertainments ought to be frequently presented and we shall hail with delight a companion or sequel to the "Merry Milk Maid."

The entertainment was for the benefit of St. Stephen's church, and some sixty odd dollars were realized.

Your Boy Wont Live a Month.

So Mr. Gillman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had Lung trouble, following Typhoid Malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy five dollars with doctors, who finallp gave him up saying: "Your boy wont live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovers and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well mon. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for Lung trouble. Trial Bottles Free at J. G. Hall's Drug Store.

Attention Overseers.

The Board of Supervisors of Fishing Creek Township, will meet at Clay on the first Saturday in August at 10 o'clock, all overseers are notified to report to the Board there roads or be dealt with according to law. By order of the Board of Supervisors.

W. A. PARHAM, Chairman.

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