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TIMELY HITS.

Points Scored in a Week's Game of Seek and Find. -Fall goods are arriving daily. -Rain has come but still it is warm. -You can eat oysters now if you can get them. -The Seaboard road is just a hustling for travel. -Mark Hanna is king among the pie counter seekers. -The days of our old straw hat seem to be numbered. -Mr. A. A. Hicks is adding to his residence on College street. -McKinley's head is closed as he is mortgaged to the gold bugs of the North. -Mrs. Powell has improved her residence by the addition of another porch. -If you want to let the farmers know where to sell tobacco and buy goods, sing them a song with the right time through the columns of the PUBLIC LEDGER that has 3,000 readers in Granville and adjoining counties. -Mrs. R. B. Peebles, of Halifax county, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. Paul C. Cameron, in Hillsboro, Tuesday. She was the aunt of our townsman, Mr. Paul Graham, who attended the funeral at Hillsboro Wednesday. -Hickey & Ballou have started up their stonemary and all grades of tobacco are now in demand on the Oxford market. It is a well settled fact that our fine corps of buyers pay the highest market prices for all grades of the weed. Bring it along to Oxford. -We learn from the News & Observer of Thursday that Dan Russell after his visit to Mark Hanna in Washington City, has agreed to come down and Holton and the Pops are happy. Mr. Dockery also came down as Lieut. Governor over the Republican ticket. All the details of fusion with the Pops are to be arranged to-day. -One day last week the horse of our neighbor, Mr. Durrell Brummitt, in attempting to jump over a small gate by some means got caught on one of the palings and was so badly injured that the animal had to be killed. This was quite a loss to Mr. Brummitt as he is one of the pleasant tobacco tourists that roll daily over the county. -Mr. H. M. Shaw has purchased from Mr. Eugene Currin his residence on Rectory street and is now occupying the same. -When you come to town next week visit Franklin's Shaving Parlor next to the post office. He keeps sharp razors and clean towels. -Dr. de Lacroix, one of the distinguished citizens of Reasville, is the North Carolina member of the Boltoerat National Executive Committee. -Judge Graham is holding his fall courts and continues to dispatch business with great ease and add to his reputation as a Judge of the Superior Court of North Carolina. -Do you want to keep up a news paper in your town? If you do you must patronize it, as no newspaper ever heard of could live entirely on wind, even if brains were short. -On Thursday last lightning struck two oak trees at the same time in the yard of Mr. E. W. Kinton, near Cornwall. The family was greatly shocked but escaped injury. -The wedding bells will ring out in Oxford next Wednesday. Who are the contracting parties? It is also rumored that one of our young men will wed a Virginia beauty next week. -How can any tiller of the soil vote in a way that would tend to benefit the gold standard monopoly that wants to make slaves of the farmers and laboring classes in this country? -Miss Lela Routon will teach the public school in district No. 1, Fishing Creek township, so we learn from Capt. W. O. Bobbitt who is authority as to who teaches the school in this district. -We are glad to learn that Mr. E. G. Currin is greatly pleased with Greenville, Tenn., his new home. While we regret to lose him from Oxford we wish him unbounded success in his new home. -On account of the National Meeting of the Colored Baptists at St. Louis, Mo., the Southern Railroad will sell round trip tickets on Sept. 14th, 15th and 16th, with final limit Sept. 26th, for \$23.55. -Mr. Leak Peace was awarded the scholarship at the A. & M. College at Raleigh from Granville county and has entered the school. He is an excellent young man and we wish him great success. -Oxford loses one of her fine horses. Mr. Thos. Winston has sold his horse, Zeb Vance, and he leaves Oxford. Zeb Vance was well known here and one of the finest horses that mashed Oxford soil. -There is much talk now about long and short haul, but we want to talk to you about John Hall and tell you to read his advertisement on this page if you wish to buy fresh grass and clover seed. And parents remember his store is headquarters for school books, both public and private, with a big line of stationery.

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THE TIDE OF TRAVEL.

People Coming or Going in All Directions--A Record. -Mr. D. J. Gooch was in Richmond this week. -Mrs. Frank Meadows has returned to Wilson. -Mrs. E. T. White, and children, are still at Chase City, Va. -Mr. S. P. Satterfield, of Roxboro, was on our streets Thursday. -Mr. A. M. Moize, of Quinerly, called to see the editor Saturday. -We regret to learn of the continued illness of Mrs. D. C. Hunt. -Mr. B. F. Kronheimer arrived home Wednesday from New York. -Mr. Cooper Hicks, of Richmond, Va., was in Oxford Wednesday. -Miss Jesse Hermon, of Warronton, is visiting Miss Leslie Hunter. -Mrs. T. W. Jackson, who has been sick some days is convalescent. -Mr. and Mrs. James Knott, of Stovall, were on our streets Monday. -Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Foushee, of Roxboro, were on our streets Saturday. -Mr. D. L. Traynham, of South Boston, Va., was in our town Thursday. -Major B. S. Royster has a young Democrat at his home, and will be heard. -Miss Octavia Holloway, who has been sick several days, is much better. -Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Turner had a 9 lb. girl born unto them a few days ago. -Miss Cheek, of Henderson, is visiting Miss Mary B. Gregory on College street. -The Misses Levy, of Durham, were guests of the Misses Kronheimer this week. -Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Baker, of Chase City, are the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. Broughton. -Mrs. Perkins, of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Chapman last week. -Our good old friend, Mr. W. T. Hunt, of Tar River section, dropped in to see us Tuesday. -Mr. Fred N. Day, of Winston, was on a visit to his father, Mr. I. N. Day, the past week. -Mr. R. W. Adcock, and son, of Oak Hill, were among the visitors to this office Saturday. -Messrs. W. J. Long, of Long Bros, and J. J. Medford returned Tuesday from New York. -Prof. W. H. P. Jenkins, of Brassfield, was numbered among the visitors to Oxford Monday. -Misses Mary and Margaret Jones, of Hillsboro, are visiting the Misses Graham, on Horner Heights. -Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Renn, have returned from a pleasant visit to relatives in Franklin county. -Miss Jennie Williams has returned from spending the summer with relatives in Portsmouth, Va. -Master H. M. Stovall, Jr., and sister, little Miss Kate, honored the "old man" with a visit on Saturday. -Mrs. Henry Perry, and son, of Henderson, spent the past week in Oxford visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Hall. -Misses Eva and Annie Cheatham, of near Oxford, are the guests of Misses Mary and Nellie Currin on High street. -Mrs. Spencer Haithecock, and two fine looking daughters, of Greensboro, were in Oxford three days this week. -Dr. de Lacroix, the chief sub-Hannocrat, of North Carolina, returned Sunday from the Indianapolis convention. -Messrs. S. J. Jenkins, of Zach, W. H. Whitaker and sons, of Stem, and H. M. Overton, of Hester, called to see the editor Tuesday. -Dr. Sam Booth returned from a month's stay at Buffalo Springs Wednesday much improved in health, and we hope to see him out soon. -It is a source of much pleasure to us to learn that our esteemed friend, Mr. C. J. Bobbitt, of Watkins, who has been quite sick some days, is improving. -After an absence of several months Mrs. Julia Lanier is again mingling with her friends in Oxford. She returned from Waynesboro, Va., on Friday last. -Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Royster, of Big Rock, accompanied by Miss V. Royster, were among the agreeable visitors to the PUBLIC LEDGER Friday of last week. -Mr. W. A. Sandford, of Buchanan, passed through Oxford Wednesday on his way to Granger, Lenoir county, and called and subscribed to the PUBLIC LEDGER. -Messrs. A. Walters, of Stem, J. A. Moss, of Hester, Dr. F. R. Harris, of Henderson, H. O. Coley and J. F. Aiken, of Northside, called at this office one day the past week. -Rev. J. A. Bean, the distinguished principal, of Bethel Hill Academy, was in our town Tuesday, and we had the honor of meeting him in our sanctum. He has succeeded in building up a fine school in Person county. The next session will begin on the 22nd instant, see notice in another column.

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Nathan Winston Murdered by His Daughters. It will be remembered that some 17 months ago that a negro by the name of Nathan Winston, living on the plantation of W. H. Bowersday, near Grissom, with his two daughters, disappeared and it was thought at the time he had gone off to Nash county to work—in fact his daughters said so, but nothing was heard of him and foul play was suspected. The daughters were arrested but as no evidence could be brought against them they were released. It is well said that murder will out, and one of the girls has let it out in a confession to her grandfather. She stated the murder had been committed by herself and sister with the aid of Calvin Mangum and Squire Walters, because Winston did not want the men to come to his house. The girl told where the old man was buried, right near the house in a hole from which they had dug clay to chink the house and build the chimney. When the skeleton was dug up by the brother of the murdered man it was found that the body had been wrapped in a quilt, covered with ashes and about 2 feet of earth thrown upon it and then the hole was filled with trash. The two daughters and the two men are under arrest, and Coroner Billy Brown was sent for Wednesday to fully investigate the murder. We learn from Mr. Howard Garsner that on the skull of the deceased were indications of a blow inflicted by an axe, as he was killed while asleep in bed. It is a foul, cold blooded murder, and but for the confession of the woman, probably would have remained a mystery for years. There is great excitement in the neighborhood among the colored people over the matter and hundreds have flocked to view the bones of the dead man. BRYAN WILL SPEAK IN N. C. Candidate Bryan, the great champion of the rights of the people, will make five speeches in the State. He will be in Durham at 5:30 o'clock p. m. on the 17th inst, and will speak that night in Raleigh the same night. Let our people be sure and hear him. Arrangements are being made to run a special train from Oxford, leaving about 3 p. m. Happy Man. Mr. M. L. Watkins, the reliable engineer of the Oxford & Henderson Railroad, quietly on the 10th of August left for Alabama and on the 12th was happily married to Miss Virginia Stevenson, one of the attractive young ladies of Oxford, Ala. The happy couple after a tour to several of the Northern cities arrived in Oxford on the 3rd inst. and have taken rooms at Mrs. T. D. Clement's, on College street. We extend our best wishes for their future happiness. A Slight Fire. There was a slight fire at the Orphan Asylum since our last issue, caused by the breaking of a lamp. The alarm was sounded and the flames were put out with slight damage. As usual Chief Herr turned up and was the hero of the hour, with able assistants. Miss Atwater, one of the accomplished teachers, in trying to smother the flames with a blanket when first discovered slipped and fell, spraining one of her ankles very badly. She is much better now we are glad to say. Crenshaws Proclamation. The proclamation of E. H. Crenshaw & Co., in this issue is full of choice reading and we advise you to cast your eagle eyes on it and digest its contents with great eagerness, as it is money in your "inside pocket, don't you know?" Their stock of fall goods is immense and will be sold at the lowest prices ever known for the quality goods. Catch right on and take advantage of the bargains offered, and you will be sure to save money. Our Visitors Thursday. The following gentlemen called to see the editor Thursday: R. L. Newton and L. T. Williford; Berea, Rufus Grissom, of Watkins, Leroy Wagstaff, of Mt. Enery, W. W. Hart, of Oak Hill, Willie Dorsev and T. J. Brummitt and son, of Fishing Creek, W. S. Lyon, of Berea and James Champion, of Wilton, who was shot some time ago by an unknown assassin in the dark, and so far recovered as to attend to his business. Puppen Fee and Peake Sisters! Will be given at the Opera House next Friday night, Sept. 18th. The "Puppen Fee" is a beautiful pantomime, acted by some of our bright pretty children. It will delight both children and grown people. The "Peake Sisters" will arrive from Alaska and speak for themselves. A pleasant evening with plenty of fun is promised. Prices to suit the times and silver, no gold received. Admission 25 cents, Reserved seats 35 cents. Appreciated. It is a pleasure to us to know that the PUBLIC LEDGER is so highly appreciated by our patrons, as was indicated last week on their failure to get the paper. While we have the reputation of getting out the best quality paper in the State we do not take it all to ourselves as much of the credit is due to our splendid corps of correspondents.

THE TIDE OF TRAVEL.

People Coming or Going in All Directions--A Record. -Mr. D. J. Gooch was in Richmond this week. -Mrs. Frank Meadows has returned to Wilson. -Mrs. E. T. White, and children, are still at Chase City, Va. -Mr. S. P. Satterfield, of Roxboro, was on our streets Thursday. -Mr. A. M. Moize, of Quinerly, called to see the editor Saturday. -We regret to learn of the continued illness of Mrs. D. C. Hunt. -Mr. B. F. Kronheimer arrived home Wednesday from New York. -Mr. Cooper Hicks, of Richmond, Va., was in Oxford Wednesday. -Miss Jesse Hermon, of Warronton, is visiting Miss Leslie Hunter. -Mrs. T. W. Jackson, who has been sick some days is convalescent. -Mr. and Mrs. James Knott, of Stovall, were on our streets Monday. -Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Foushee, of Roxboro, were on our streets Saturday. -Mr. D. L. Traynham, of South Boston, Va., was in our town Thursday. -Major B. S. Royster has a young Democrat at his home, and will be heard. -Miss Octavia Holloway, who has been sick several days, is much better. -Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Turner had a 9 lb. girl born unto them a few days ago. -Miss Cheek, of Henderson, is visiting Miss Mary B. Gregory on College street. -The Misses Levy, of Durham, were guests of the Misses Kronheimer this week. -Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Baker, of Chase City, are the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. Broughton. -Mrs. Perkins, of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Chapman last week. -Our good old friend, Mr. W. T. Hunt, of Tar River section, dropped in to see us Tuesday. -Mr. Fred N. Day, of Winston, was on a visit to his father, Mr. I. N. Day, the past week. -Mr. R. W. Adcock, and son, of Oak Hill, were among the visitors to this office Saturday. -Messrs. W. J. Long, of Long Bros, and J. J. Medford returned Tuesday from New York. -Prof. W. H. P. Jenkins, of Brassfield, was numbered among the visitors to Oxford Monday. -Misses Mary and Margaret Jones, of Hillsboro, are visiting the Misses Graham, on Horner Heights. -Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Renn, have returned from a pleasant visit to relatives in Franklin county. -Miss Jennie Williams has returned from spending the summer with relatives in Portsmouth, Va. -Master H. M. Stovall, Jr., and sister, little Miss Kate, honored the "old man" with a visit on Saturday. -Mrs. Henry Perry, and son, of Henderson, spent the past week in Oxford visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Hall. -Misses Eva and Annie Cheatham, of near Oxford, are the guests of Misses Mary and Nellie Currin on High street. -Mrs. Spencer Haithecock, and two fine looking daughters, of Greensboro, were in Oxford three days this week. -Dr. de Lacroix, the chief sub-Hannocrat, of North Carolina, returned Sunday from the Indianapolis convention. -Messrs. S. J. Jenkins, of Zach, W. H. Whitaker and sons, of Stem, and H. M. Overton, of Hester, called to see the editor Tuesday. -Dr. Sam Booth returned from a month's stay at Buffalo Springs Wednesday much improved in health, and we hope to see him out soon. -It is a source of much pleasure to us to learn that our esteemed friend, Mr. C. J. Bobbitt, of Watkins, who has been quite sick some days, is improving. -After an absence of several months Mrs. Julia Lanier is again mingling with her friends in Oxford. She returned from Waynesboro, Va., on Friday last. -Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Royster, of Big Rock, accompanied by Miss V. Royster, were among the agreeable visitors to the PUBLIC LEDGER Friday of last week. -Mr. W. A. Sandford, of Buchanan, passed through Oxford Wednesday on his way to Granger, Lenoir county, and called and subscribed to the PUBLIC LEDGER. -Messrs. A. Walters, of Stem, J. A. Moss, of Hester, Dr. F. R. Harris, of Henderson, H. O. Coley and J. F. Aiken, of Northside, called at this office one day the past week. -Rev. J. A. Bean, the distinguished principal, of Bethel Hill Academy, was in our town Tuesday, and we had the honor of meeting him in our sanctum. He has succeeded in building up a fine school in Person county. The next session will begin on the 22nd instant, see notice in another column.

DEATH OF MR. A. R. USRY.

This Worthy Young Man Has Passed to the Great Beyond. We more than regret to have to announce the death of this worthy and promising young man, which occurred on Sunday, August 30th, 1896, at the home of his father, Mr. R. S. Usry, of typhoid fever, after a lingering illness, during which time he had the best medical attention and the kindest nursing. He was beloved by all who knew him, as he possessed a kind disposition and was of exemplary habits and obliging. He was so popular that the whole town was saddened at his death, and being an only son his father and mother along with devoted sisters feel that their loss is irreparable. He was a pious member of the Methodist church and was faithful to his Christian duties. Was also a member of the Granville Grays, in which company he took high rank, and was greatly beloved by his comrades. He was a member of the mercantile firm of Usry & Garrett, and was just entering upon a business career which no doubt would have become a successful one. In the great sorrow that has visited the family we tender to them our heartfelt sympathy for the editor was a warm friend of the deceased. The burial services were conducted by Rev. J. B. Hurley from the house on Monday afternoon, witnessed by a large concourse of friends. The Granville Grays turned out about 35 strong to pay the last sad tribute to their deceased comrade. The pall bearers were: Lieut. H. L. Skinner, Lieut. J. O. Ellington, Sergt. A. T. Smith, Sergt. A. D. Hobbgood, Sergt. W. H. Britt, Corporal J. A. Renn. Resolutions of Respect. ARMY OF GRANVILLE GRAYS, OXFORD, N. C., SEPT. 1, 1896. Once more we are called upon to mourn the loss of one of our members. Sergeant A. R. Usry died at the residence of his father in Oxford, Sunday evening, August 30th, 1896, after a brief illness. He was just entering upon the duties of manhood and his loss is keenly felt. Sergeant Usry knew his duty and performed it well. He was faithful as a soldier, steadfast and sincere as a friend and upright as a citizen. His comrades have been deeply grieved by his death and desire to pay their last tribute of respect to his merit and worth, therefore be it resolved, 1st. That our Company has lost one of its best and most loyal members, Oxford a most highly respected young man and useful citizen and his family a devoted and true son and brother; 2nd. That we tender to his bereaved family our most sincere sympathy and mourn with them the loss of our comrade. 3rd. That these resolutions be inscribed upon a page of our records dedicated to his memory and copy be sent to the family and that the PUBLIC LEDGER be requested to publish the same. 4th. That the usual badge of mourning be worn for 30 days. LIEUT. H. L. SKINNER, SARGT. A. D. HOBGOOD, A. T. SMITH, CORPORAL JAS. A. RENN, Committee.

Watson and Guthrie.

Cy Watson and Major Guthrie are canvassing the State together, and it is said that Watson gets decidedly the best of Guthrie and is making votes for Democracy. Guthrie in his speech at Rutherfordton called out Danny Russell like a court erier, and paid his respects to him for declining to go before the people in a joint discussion lest it might provoke disturbance has no business to run for governor, and he is right. He advised the Populists of the Ninth District to vote for Adams, Democratic candidate for Congress against Pearson and the Republicans are mad about it. He also advised the Populists not to vote for Legislator pledged to Pritchard's return to the Senate.

Carry The News to Vermont.

News and Observer says: The Democratic majority in Arkansas is estimated at 65,000; it may reach 75,000. In 1888 the majority was 27,210; in 1890 it was 21,086; in 1892 it was 40,950 and in 1894 it was 48,724. What made this great increase? Nothing but the bold advocacy of free silver. Republicans and Populists united in voting the Democratic ticket to tell the world that farmers and laborers in all parties repudiate the gold standard. Thousands of negro farmers actually joined with their white neighbors to repudiate the gold standard. Look Out for Them. It is the plan of Mark Hanna, in States where he thinks his man has no show of winning to throw all the strength to the gold, or Republican, candidate for Congress, in every district where there is any show. For instance, everything possible is to be done to elect Settle in this district. Keep your eyes open and you'll see trades offered—a vote for Bryan for a vote for Settle. This is on the line that Bryan is sure to carry the State any way and a vote for a gold man is just that much ahead.

Called a Liar.

On Sunday in New York Rev. Tom Dixon preached a sermon in the interest of McKinley, and against Bryan. The red heat from his references to Candidate Bryan and his adherents caused some persons to leave the hall. Others who did not agree with the preacher's opinions remained and gave vent to their displeasure by hissing and shouting: "That's false!" "You are wrong!" "I am going to vote for Bryan!" One man called the Rev. Mr. Dixon a liar. Glenn at Oxford and Wilkins. Col. Bob Glenn, of Winston, one of the best campaigners in North Carolina, will speak in Oxford Tuesday, Sept 15th at 1 o'clock, and Wilkins, Wednesday, Sept. 16th. Thursday, Sept. 17th. If you want to hear a rousing speech turn out and hear him. Be sure and miss it as he will discuss the great issues of the day. Buy your turnip seed from J. P. Stedman

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