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At Hall's Drug Store for good cigars.

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At Hall's Drug Store for school books and stationery

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## MAY BLOSSOMS.

### SHORT-STOPS IN THE LOCAL LINE

Gathered and Condensed for the Eye of the Reader.

—Dr. S. D. Booth has the champion Irish potato patch of Oxford.

—The world seems such a beautiful place when you have almost left it.

—The Parham & Dorsey lumber yard is now in full blast near the depot.

—Preparations are being made to commence work on the new Methodist church.

—Observe the same courtesy in asking a service of another as you would expect yourself.

—A ladies' gentle horse and low phaeton for sale by Mrs. Rosa Kronheimer at a reasonable price.

—To broaden in spirit it is only necessary to dwell in the midst of suffering for a few short days.

—Rev. A. R. Shaw, of Henderson, preached a very interesting sermon at the Presbyterian Church Sunday night.

—Late in life when a man sees the women who broke his heart at twenty he wonders how she did it or if she really did.

—Rev. J. T. Gibbs, the able Presiding Elder of this District will hold quarterly meeting in the Methodist Church Sunday.

—Coley Gill was a regular juror at term of court just closed and the lawyers did not allow him to serve on a single jury.

—Lots of people who want work assert that they will do anything, but when it comes to the point they all want an easy job.

—That suggestion of Reed's forsaking the party on the principle of rats leaving a sinking ship is properly echoed by the remark: Rats!

—If physicians showed as much sympathy in every case as the patients feel they should they would be worn out emotionally in a few short months.

—Already the summer girl is putting in a preliminary appearance. While a year older than last season she is one of the most attractive institutions of the age.

—The spring humorist is almost as bad as the spring poet when he indulges in remarks about the dogwood trees being so named because they have plenty of bark.

—Deputy Sheriff E. K. Howard, accompanied by Mr. D. A. Moore, carried James Marrow, Wm. Hamlett, Ed Cousin and Arch Hammie, all colored, to the Durham county work house on Monday.

—We are glad to see that the painting fever has struck Oxford, and many houses have been greatly improved thereby. Mrs. Mary C. Cannady is having her handsome residence on College street repainted.

—On Friday last while Col. R. O. Gregory was walking out on his farm near Stovall, in walking across a bridge a plank broke with him throwing him to the ground hurting one of his knees very badly. We are pleased to learn that the Colonel is improving.

—Spring's last-born darling, clear-eyed, sweet, Pauses a moment, with white twinkling feet, And golden locks in breezy play, Half teasing and half tender to repeat, Her song of May."

—The editor had the good luck to take dinner with Mr. John Beasley, the expert bicycle repair, at the Irwin House Tuesday. Mrs. Carrie Wilder, who knows how to tempt the appetite, had an elegant bill of fare, among which was several kinds of vegetables from Florida.

—Within the next two or three weeks the Adjutant General will undertake the work of organizing the new second regiment, North Carolina State guard. It will be composed for the most part of the companies that have just returned from Cuba, and Col. Armfield will be colonel of it.

—It would be a good thing for Oxford if we could have an election for town officers every six months, as just before an election many of our streets get worked. We truly hope the new administration will make it a point to put the sidewalk in good order so that pedestrians will not have to wade in mud.

—Another one of the orphans crossed over the river of death Sunday morning and must be numbered with the redeemed as Jesus said "suffer little children to come unto me." John Kennedy was his name, and he was said to be the best looking little fellow in the Asylum. He was about six years old and was from Wayne County. His remains were sent home for interment.

—The Memphis, Tenn. Semitar of April 24th says that the Seaboard Air Line and the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad brought into Memphis yesterday two cars of freight which had made an actual running time of four and one-half days from New York. This is the fastest time made up to date in this city by a rail and water line, and is close to the time made by the all rail lines, none of which run in less than four days.

## GRANVILLE SUPERIOR COURT.

Perry Will Case--Damage Suit--The Gattis-Kilgo Case on Demurrer.

On Wednesday the will case of Perry vs. Adams was taken up. It seems that Mr. Wm. T. Adams desired to upset the will of the late Perry. There was able counsel on both sides, Messrs. R. B. Boone, of Durham, Col. L. C. Edwards, Gen'l B. S. Royster and Senator A. A. Hicks, a strong team, appeared for Mr. Thos. Perry, and Ex-Judges R. W. Winston and A. W. Graham for Mr. W. T. Adams. The case occupied two days and several exceedingly able speeches were made on both sides, while many considered that of Mr. Boone the ablest. The jury after a short consultation sustained the will.

David O'Gary vs. Southern Railway for damages was next. This case grew out of the fact that Capt. Galbraith put O'Gary off his train because he presented to him what he took to be an out of date ticket. Messrs. Fab Busbee and J. C. Biggs represented the Railroad, and Ex-Judges Graham and Winston, appeared for O'Gary. The jury gave O'Gary \$630 damages which in our opinion was excessive under the circumstances. It is true a mistake occurred and the affable, accommodating Capt. Galbraith, was honestly mistaken in the ticket presented by Mr. O'Gary. It is a well-known fact that the Southern has not a more popular and painstaking conductor in its service than Capt. Galbraith and who would not have intentionally wronged Mr. O'Gary.

The Gattis-Kilgo was next case before Judge Bryan on demurrer, and great interest was manifested in this case which commenced Saturday afternoon and finished Monday morning. The prominent legal lights who participated in the multifarious legal points that were presented by counsel showed extraordinary tact, learning and logic. Major Wm. A. Guthrie, the well-known lawyer of Durham, opened the case for Rev. T. J. Gattis, the plaintiff, and the demurrer, Dr. Kilgo and Messrs. Duke and Odell, neither of whom were present, was presented by that distinguished jurist, R. O. Burton, Esq. of Raleigh. Both of these gentlemen rank high in their profession.

Mr. R. B. Boone, the talented and eloquent lawyer from Durham who would have been a power as Solicitor of this district, representing Rev. Gattis made a speech of great power against the demurrer. The well equipped Judge Winston spoke with characteristic ability against the demurrer. Mr. T. T. Hicks, the able lawyer of Henderson, spoke also for sustaining the demurrer. He made a strong argument. The speech of Judge Graham, the strong and forcible lawyer of Oxford, supplemented the able speeches of Messrs. Boone and Guthrie against sustaining the demurrer.

Such a brilliant and powerful array of legal learning has rarely been exhibited.

The demurrer was sustained by the Court and the plaintiff took an appeal.

After hearing a few motions the Judge adjourned court for the term, and Deputy Sheriff Howard and his proficient assistant, Leroy Elliott, had the pleasure of knowing that they had discharged their duties faithfully and well. Of course the Clerk department was admirably run by Dr. Hunt and W. T. Lyon, and Janitor Mangum should not be forgotten as he was faithful in the discharge of his duties.

WHEN NATURE Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

Mary Potter School. This school closes next Tuesday and Wednesday, May 9th and 10th. Tuesday night we will have a Democratic oratorical contest by the middle class of the Normal Department.

Wednesday night graduating exercises and annual address by Prof. W. G. Pearson, principal of Durham graded school, and President of the North Carolina Teachers' Association.

Admission 10 cents, or 15 cents for the two nights. Reserve seats 15 cents or 25 cents for the two nights. Reserve seats for white people for sale at Hall's drug store, and for colored people at Johnson & Copage store.

Exercises begin at 8 o'clock. All who are interested in educating and uplifting the colored people are invited to be present.

G. C. SHAW, Principal.

Beauty Is Blood Deep. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean. By stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets--beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

STORE FOR RENT. I have a good store house for rent, adjoining J. W. Fullers', all in good repair. apl. 27. R. S. USRY.

## MOVEMENTS OF PEOPLE.

YOU KNOW SOME, BUT NOT ALL. They Will Come and Go All the Same.

—Dr. E. T. White was in Raleigh Friday.

—Dr. Cheatham was on our streets Monday.

—Mr. J. G. Hall spent last week in New York City.

—Mr. Louis de Lacroix spent last week in New York.

—Miss Mattie Renn is tending school west Durham.

—Miss Allie Gooch, of Stem, was on our streets Friday.

—Mr. R. T. Smith is out again after a week's sickness.

—Mr. Hamilton returned Tuesday from a visit to Smithfield.

—Dr. J. W. Booth, of Tally Ho, was on our streets Monday.

—General J. D. Glenn, of Greensboro, was in Oxford Friday.

—Messrs. R. S. Usry and R. Broughton spent Tuesday in Clarksville.

—Judge Graham is spending the week in Boston, Mass., on business.

—Farmer E. W. Jones, Poverty Hill, called to see the ink editor Wednesday.

—Mrs. E. T. York, son and daughter, of Grissom, were in Oxford shopping Friday.

—The popular Dr. Cozart, of Dutchville, was on our streets a few hours Friday.

—Mr. J. O. Bunn left Thursday for Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, for treatment.

—Mr. J. D. Brinkley left yesterday for Littleton and will return Tuesday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stroud, of Fishing Creek, spent a few hours in Oxford Friday.

—Mr. W. A. Adams returned from a business trip to Petersburg and Richmond Saturday.

—Ex-Judge Avery and McRae, and Col. J. B. Batchelor, of Raleigh, were in Oxford Friday.

—We are sorry to learn that Mr. J. K. Wood is confined to his home on account of sickness.

—We are pleased to learn that Miss Willie Skinner, after a week's sickness, is much better.

—The children of Mr. and Mrs. John Bullock, who have been sick some days are about well.

—Our friend A. J. Parrott, one of the progressive farmers of Lyon, visited our town Saturday.

—Mr. J. O. Ellington, who has been quite ill for some days, is no better, we are sorry to learn.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stem, and daughter, Miss Lucy, were in Oxford among the shoppers Wednesday.

—Capt. and Mrs. Chas. Elliott, of Norfolk, Va., are the guest of Mrs. Lucy Cooper on Hillsboro Street.

—Mr. Willie Crews has left Tar River and will make Durham his home. He was in Oxford Friday.

—The pleasant Frank Maddry, of the Durham Sun, was in Oxford Friday and we enjoyed a visit from him.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lyon and Mr. E. E. Lyon, of Creedmoor, were among the visitors to our town Friday.

—Mr. H. T. Beasley and son, of Louisburg, were in Oxford last Thursday to the pleasure of their old friends.

—County Commissioner L. H. Moss, of Wilton, was in Oxford Tuesday morning and stepped in to see the editor.

—Mr. Hillman Cannady is still on the road in the interest of the splendid buggy manufactured by Taylor & Cannady.

—Messrs. L. Woodieff, of New Light, and R. B. Elliott, of Cornwall, were in Oxford Tuesday and called at this office.

—Miss Grace Coley returned to her home in Mocksville Monday, after several months visit to her brother, Mr. Will X. Coley.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stem, of Stem, visited Oxford Saturday, and Mr. Stem was numbered with the welcome visitors to the PUBLIC LEADER.

—Dr. Daniel, the fine young physician of Adoniram, was an Oxford visitor Tuesday and the editor had the pleasure of meeting him in his office.

—We had the pleasure of a visit Wednesday morning from Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hester, and three children, of Hester, who were in Oxford shopping.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Parham, Sr., and two daughters, Miss Mollie, of Fishing Creek, and Mrs. I. M. Reams, Jr., of Durham, were on our streets Saturday afternoon.

—We had the pleasure of shaking the cordial hands of Messrs. W. H. Gregory, of Stovall, and J. C. Usry and T. L. Cannady, of Wilton, in our print shop Monday.

—Messrs. W. L. Taylor, of Bullock, J. L. Lyon, of Northside, and J. L. Pittard, of Adoniram, three pleasant gentlemen and good farmers, were on our streets Friday and honored the "old man" with a visit.

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Made from pure cream of tartar.

Safeguards the food against alum.

Alum baking powders are the greatest menacers to health of the present day.

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## DRAMATIC TREAT OF THE SEASON

Bertram and Willard's Play, "The Midnight Fire," Next Week.

The citizens of Oxford remember with pleasure Bertram and Willard's play "Captain Dick" given last summer. It is good news to hear that they are coming again, and will present their new and latest play, "The Midnight Fire," at the Opera House positively but one night, Friday, May 12. This will be their only date in Oxford this year as their dates are filled solid way into the beginning of next year. As a substantiation of their promises for the excellence of "The Midnight Fire" appended will be found the opinion of two of our able State papers:

The New Bern Daily Journal says: Before an audience which filled every seat in the theatre last night "The Midnight Fire" was presented. The play an intensely interesting one, abounds in pretty love scenes, a good deal of comedy, and enough tragedy to keep up interest throughout. "Midnight Fire" is a splendid play and does not suffer in comparison with "Captain Dick."

Henderson Gold Leaf says Bertram and Willard's previous visit here established their reputation as capable and successful exploiters of the best and purest in histrionic art literature, and when they promised in their latest effort "The Midnight Fire" as great success as "Captain Dick" the public knew what to expect. Nor were they disappointed.

The prices of admission will be 35 cents; children 15 cents; gallery 25 cents; reserved seats at 50 cents.

## BUY Harrell's

MADE AT SOUTH BOSTON, VA.

Sold by P. Bullock, Oxford, N. C.

## Such Wonders of Beauty in Millinery

Greets the eye at Long Bros. it is with difficulty a selection can be made, everything resolving itself into a veritable spring symposium of buds, blossoms, airy fabrics and glittering buckles.

Every year it seems as though no more attractive display were possible, yet certainly this season has outdone all others at this house, the result being one to readily charm the dollars from the purses of the fair shopper whose thoughts at present are turned toward the purchase of a new hat.

The greatness of an opportunity depends upon the use you make of it. Here is one thrown at you—catch it. The pitchers are

## LONG BROS.

## Sale of Land.

By virtue of a deed in trust executed to me on the 10th day of September, 1896, by Alex. J. Field and Louis H. Field, his wife, registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Granville county, N. C., in book 57, page 154, I shall offer for sale on

MONDAY, THE 5TH OF JUNE, 1899,

to the highest bidder at public auction at the court house door in the town of Oxford, N. C., the undersigned Trustee by virtue of the powers contained in a deed of trust from D. J. Gooch and wife to him, recorded in Mortgage Book 28, at page 41, of Granville county, which said deed is subject to the highest bidder for cash the land in said instrument described, the bond which said deed secured not having been paid off to-wit: Lying in Walnut Grove township, Granville county, N. C., adjoining on the 28th January, 1888, the lands of Thomas B. Daniel, Mary B. Gooch and others being a part of the late Joseph Gooch land and known as the old Brickley tract, containing 306 acres. This 27th April, 1899.

ROBERT W. WINSTON, Trustee.

## BRICKS FOR SALE.

Hard and soft bricks for sale at the ORPHAN ASYLUM.

## Educate Your Hovels with Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. H. C. C. Co. Fall, druggists refund money.

### WINE OF CARDUI

FOR ALL WOMEN

NINE-TENTHS of all the pain and sickness from which women suffer is caused by weakness or derangement in the organs of menstruation. Nearly always when a woman is not well these organs are affected. But when they are strong and healthy a woman is very seldom sick.

McLREE'S Wine of Cardui

Is nature's provision for the regulation of the menstrual function. It cures all "female troubles." It is equally effective for the girl in her teens, the young wife with domestic and maternal cares, and the woman approaching the period known as the "Change of Life." They all need it. They are all benefited by it.

For advice in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, the Ladies' Advisory Department, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

THOS. J. COOPER, Tupelo, Miss., says: "My sisters suffered from very irregular and painful menstruation and I could not relieve her. Wine of Cardui entirely cured her and has kept my mother through the Change of Life."

WINE OF CARDUI

### \$2.68 PANTS.

None Better for the Money, Very few as Good!



\$2.68 PANTS EXCLUSIVELY.

We try to do but one thing, but we do that one thing better, do it more economically and more expeditiously than anybody else does it. The business of our price and the high value of our pants are convincing proofs.

\$2.68, THAT'S ALL.

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Noell Bros. Pants Co., SOUTH BOSTON, VA.

For Sale by E. H. CRENSHAW CO.

### Mortgage Sale.

Under the provisions of a Deed of Mortgage executed by W. H. Loyd and J. L. Loyd his wife to W. Woodieff, and registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Granville county, Book 35, page 94, the undersigned will expose to public sale at 10 o'clock at the court house door in Oxford, N. C., on

SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD, 1899.

to-wit: A certain tract of land in Bransford township, Granville county, N. C., and described and defined as follows, to-wit: Bounded on the East side by W. W. Arrington, dec'd, and on the South side by M. A. Booth's land, on the West side by J. P. Ross' land, on the South side by Aaron Jones' land, and is known as the Joseph Loyd, dec'd, land, containing 100 acres, more or less, and it is understood that the interest of the parties of the first part is one-fourth part of the above described tract of land by the North and East corners where the parties of the first part now reside. This 30 day of May, 1899.

L. WOODLIEFF, Mortgagee.

J. D. DAVIS, Trustee.

At the same time at the court house door in Oxford, Granville county, N. C., the undersigned will sell to public auction for each one of the tracts of land in Bransford township, Granville county, N. C., it being the land described from the lands of T. C. Curran and others and is a part of the Charles Ross, dec'd, land, containing 40 acres, more or less. This 30 day of May, 1899.

A. L. & J. D. DAVIS, Trustees of L. Woodieff.