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Stem Stemmings.

Mr. E. M. Bowles, of Culbreth, has moved to Durham.

Mr. A. A. Lyon, who has been quite sick, is improving.

An automobile would be a novelty to people of this section.

Mr. J. R. Overby had the misfortune to lose a fine cow last week.

A new piano will in a short time be installed in Stem High School building.

Miss Bettie Hunt, who has had a severe attack of gripp, is slowly recovering.

Elder W. A. Simpkins has resigned as pastor of Dutchville Primitive church.

Mrs. L. M. Crymes and daughter, Ora, left Wednesday morning for a visit to Raleigh.

Mr. R. L. Longmire has moved from his father's to the neighborhood of Providence.

Miss Ona Hunt, of Tar River, is spending a few days with her aunt, Miss Bettie Hunt.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. M. H. Bragg, who is in the hospital at Richmond, is improving.

Prof. J. B. Vernon returned to Stem Monday after spending Saturday and Sunday at his home in Roxboro.

Mrs. Elijah Daniel, of Culbreth, and Miss Roxie Harris, of Oxford, are visiting their mother, Mrs. D. F. Harris.

After what seemed to him the long absence of six days, Mr. L. W. Hall again visited in the Lyon neighborhood Sunday.

Messrs. Lester McFarland and Jerome Eakes were visitors in the neighborhood of Trinity church Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Janie Pearl Rogers, who is attending school in Creedmoor, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rogers.

Mr. A. S. Wilkins has purchased the Lewis Duncan farm from Mr. C. V. Sharon. It is said to be as fine tobacco land as there is in the county.

Mr. Oliver Turner and wife, of Oxford, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Overby and attended services at Tally Ho Sunday.

Mr. B. H. Barton, an undenominational minister, will preach in Stem on 11th and 12th of March. The public is cordially invited to come out and hear him.

Misses Florence and Ora Lee Walters and Ettie and Willie Lee Washington, Mr. Roy Walters were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Thomasson, near Stem Sunday.

Mr. W. A. Clark, who was accidentally wounded some time ago, has decided to discontinue farming and return to Durham where he will resume his former occupation of setting type.

On the third Sunday in April Tally Ho church will be formally dedicated. Rev. A. C. Sherwood, of Zebulon, who was formerly pastor of this church, is expected to be present and deliver the dedication sermon. Mr. J. E. Duncan has been elected Superintendent of the Sunday school.

Rev. M. D. Giles filled his appointment at Bullock Sunday, choosing as his subject, "The boundless mercy of God." None of his predecessors on the Granville circuit, has been more beloved or made more friends among all classes of people than Brother Giles. His sermons are strong and practical, and make a lasting impression on all who hear him.

Mrs. Lillian W. Capehart, of Oxford, has organized a tomato club in Stem with Miss Mary Cozart as President, and Miss Lucy Hardee, Vice-President. All girls between ten and eighteen years of age will be eligible to membership. Each member being required to cultivate one tenth of an acre in tomatoes, specimens of which will be exhibited at the Granville county and State fairs.

Rev. J. L. Martin filled his regular appointment at Tally Ho Sunday and preached a forcible sermon from the subject, "Christ a Counsellor." He pointed out that Christ had held four councils with the other persons of the Trinity in the interest of man; that Christ knew both the mind of God and of man, and was to-day pleading with the Father in our behalf, and that his

LOCAL NEWS



Bunnie, how is George, your honey? What was that you said about the Steam Laundry?

We have a number of correspondents which will appear Wednesday

Mud and muck and slop and mess, And never an effort to make it less.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Thos. S. Waller is numbered with the sick.

There is one thing certain—we are not behind on mud and candidates.

Mrs. R. P. Taylor who has been quite sick, we are glad to learn is much better.

The breaks of tobacco continue to grow smaller and smaller now as the days roll by.

We ask you to first to trade with the business men who seek your trade through your county paper.

The editor is much pleased to learn from Dr. T. L. Booth that Mrs. J. F. Meadows continues to improve.

The Carolina Power & Light Co's line has been completed to the up town station, which is now in course of construction.

The morn that strikes upon us sweet With lances of fresh light,

Makes rosy for our weary feet The toiling toward the night.

The Long-Winston Co. have a change of advertisement in this issue, and we ask the farmers especially to read it as it concerns making good tobacco.

Mr. A. E. Bobbitt, of Brassfield township, and a very active candidate for the nomination for County Treasurer, was in town Wednesday and called on the "old man."

Every man has as much care to carry as he thinks he can comfortably accommodate; yet it is singularly true that when he helps some one else to lift his the weight of his own grows always a little less.

All night Wednesday the wind storm was fearful and raged with fury. In some places trees were blown down and we have yet to hear of the ravage that may have occurred, in the path of what seemed a tornado in the fury and force of the strong wind.

A competitive game of basket ball was played in the armory Wednesday evening between the teams of Oxford and Trinity. The game was very interesting and was witnessed by a small attendance, owing to the inclement weather, as the rain was pouring down while the game was being played. The score was 22 to 8 in favor of the visiting team from Trinity.

The protracted services of forty days of Lent commenced with the morning service on Ash Wednesday, in St. Stephen's church. Dr. Horsfield is endeavoring to have prominent clergymen to visit this Parish during Lent, which may add to the interest and usefulness of the continued services of prayer and devotion which will close with the joyous Easter festival.

On Thursday, February 22nd, the children of the fourth grade in the Oxford Graded School, in charge of Miss Jeanette Biggs, gave a very appropriate rendition of speeches and poems relating to George Washington in celebration of the birthday of the great man. The little folks enjoyed the occasion and recited with very much interest and credit to their excellent training.

influence is infinite both on earth and in Heaven. Mr. Martin will preach on Masonry the third Sunday in March.

On Sunday afternoon Mr. Bennie Mangum, of Durham county, and Miss Rosa Kimball, of Culbreth, were happily married at the home of Mr. Guy Sweeney. Rev. Mr. Hudson performing the ceremony. The waiters were as follows: Mr. Charlie O'Briant with Miss Lillie Bowling; Mr. W. T. Harris with Miss Nannie Latta; Mr. Beam O'Briant with Miss Clara Daniel. A splendid supper was given in their honor by Mr. Sweeney, with whom they spent the night, leaving on Monday for Durham county where they will reside in the future. Our best wishes go with them.

WELLINGTON.

Housekeepers are beginning to think about gardening.

The editor thanks Senator Simmons for a splendid map of the soil survey of Granville county.

The cup of childhood holds so much Of beauty and of sweet It spills, when childhood dances by, All round and at our feet.

We are glad to learn that the attractive Miss Mary Royal Hancock, who has been sick for some time, is about well to the joy of her friends.

Step along to the tune of morning, forgetting the shadows that sweep over the low vales and attending only to the brightness of the sunlight on the hills up which our roadway climbs.

H. W. Brooks, State examiner of accounts of Alabama, says that good roads is the most important question before the American people and that the farmers of the country yearly lose \$2,000,000,000 on bad roads.

The engagement of Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer and a widely known magazine writer and Miss Alice Aycock, eldest daughter of Ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock, has been announced. The marriage will take place May 29th.

Loyalty to Platform.

After a selection by the band, any supporter of Mr. Kitchin will be privileged to tell in what respect his record as Governor is an improvement on the record of Mr. Simmons as Senator in the matter of loyalty to the platform. If Mr. Simmons has voted with the Republicans on some questions, has not Mr. Kitchin defended and rewarded reactionary North Carolina Democrats who voted with the Republicans to extract the teeth from the proposed anti-trust law.—Webster's Weekly.

Pink-Tea Anti-Trust Act.

It was eminently proper that ex-Judge James S. Manning should journey from Durham to Raleigh to occupy a seat on the stage while Mr. Kitchin lambasted Mr. Simmons for voting with the Republican majority. It was Mr. Manning who framed the pink-tea anti-trust act, for which the Republicans voted, and it is a fact that the firm of Manning & Foushee is the only combination our trust-busting Government has dissolved.—Webster's Weekly.

Charge Will Fall Flat.

Those who will take the trouble to look will find that Governor Kitchin's statement in regard to the votes in the Senate of Senator Simmons and the votes as given in the Congressional Record disagree in toto. Governor Kitchin's charges will fall flat, and if he has no others than these to prefer against Senator Simmons he will save a good deal of time and money by withdrawing from the contest at once.—Concord Tribune.

A Pilgrim at Rest.

"Be ye also ready for in such an hour as ye think not the son of man cometh."

The above truth was forcibly demonstrated by the sudden death of Rev. J. A. Stradley at his home on the morning of February 13th. He was in 80th year. He was a member of the Oxford Baptist Church and greatly beloved by his neighbors and friends. He leaves behind a devoted wife and son. He lived a Godly life and was most highly esteemed in the community in which he lived. No one knew him but to love him, and he won many friends far and near. He went about preaching salvation, and bringing souls to Christ. Many a weary soul found Jesus through him. He walked in paths of honor and kept himself unspotted from the world. He was one of most kind hearted, benevolent and guileless men that I ever knew. If he ever had an enemy I never heard of it.

May the spirit of God comfort and cheer the bereaved ones, and enable them to live in such a manner that they will meet their loved one in that land where there will be no more pain nor death, neither sorrow nor crying, for God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Yet again I hope to meet him, When the days of life are fled, And in Heaven with joy to greet him, Where no farewell tears are shed.

HETTIE HUNT.

OUR PLANT bed cloth is going out in a hurry, but we still have a great big supply. The price is low, and the quality good, at Long-Winston Co.

Answer to Problem.

The only correct answer sent in to the problem in last week's Ledger about the sinking fund for the \$100,000 bond issue was by Henry Shaw. The answer is 1.89 cents. This is, you see, less than two cents per capita for the county. When we take into consideration the fact that about one-third of the road tax is paid by the railroads and that the county is slowly increasing in population the amount will be decreased to one cent, or to make a liberal allowance, say one and one-half cents a year for each inhabitant. The price of one glass of lemonade or a few chews of tobacco would pay the share of one person for three or four years. This, of course, refers only to the principal which has worried so many when they thought of it as a great burden on the future inhabitants of the county.

J. F. WEBB.

Certainly Well Served.

Oxford, N. C., February 21, 1912.

Mr. Jas. B. Powell, Oxford, N. C.:

Dear Sir:—I am taking this opportunity to say that it seems to me that at no one time, nor for so long a time has the county been so well served as by the present Court House force. Regarding the Register's office in particular, an exact, accurate and courteous officer is required. In all three of these characteristics it would seem that you would pass at the rank of 100 per cent plus. It goes without saying that to an individual corporation or political organization like the county their best interests are served by continuing proven public servants in their positions just as long as they are able to render efficient and faithful service.

Aside from personal friendship I feel that it is both a cruelty and an injustice every few years to put in jeopardy the income of any employe for whose discharge there has been no cause.

LOUIS DE LACROIX.

P. S.—I am handing the above to the editor of the paper to cut the ground from under any suspicion that the above was solicited or even known of before it reached you in print.

Spring of the Year—Clean Up.

Very soon now "Mother Nature with strident muttering will set about her annual house cleaning. With her efficient broom, the March wind, she will sweep every nook and cranny clean. With her scrub bucket overflowing with April showers, she will wash the face of all creation," but these measures fail to produce the cleanliness to the satisfaction of the Woman's Civic Club and a final polish with shovels and spades and brooms, with carts and wagons sufficient to carry the refuse out of town limits and beyond the danger of infection will be given by the Town Authorities at the request of the Woman's Civic Club.

As Civic Day, March 10th, falls on Sunday the Woman's Civic Club will observe Wednesday, March 6th, as Civic Day and will hold their meeting in the rooms of the Granville Commercial Club in the afternoon of this date at 4 o'clock. The week following Civic Day will be observed as "Clean up Week" for Oxford, and the Civic Club earnestly solicits the aid and co-operation of every body in this work. At the request of the Club Mayor D. G. Brummitt will issue circulars asking every property owner and householder in Oxford to put his or her property in a sanitary condition during this week or as soon after as possible. City carts and wagons will carry off all trash, which cannot be burned, if owner will place it in boxes or barrels outside of gate; if carts fail to call for trash the Chief of Police will upon notification see that they do.

It is hoped that every Cellar and Alley way will be given careful investigation and overhauling, and that all public buildings, markets and livery stables will be put in a thorough sanitary condition.

The cold winter has done much to destroy the germs now let us each and every one enter earnestly and conscientiously into the work for a clean, healthily and beautiful Oxford. Let us strive to destroy the germs so hidden away in corner and crevice that the March winds and April showers cannot reach. Let us trim up the trees and shrubs and vines and plant new ones. Let us make Oxford the cleanest, healthiest, most beautiful town in the State. Don't forget the date of Clean Up Week, March 11th, and continue the good work until Oxford is spotlessly clean.

PURELY PERSONAL

Miss Lizzie Pearson left Friday for a visit to Richmond.

Mr. Lock Erwin, of Concord, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mr. Meredith Crews, of Route 6, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mrs. J. T. Cozart, of Route 3, was a town visitor Thursday.

Mr. C. D. Brummitt, of Fishing Creek, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mrs. Ernest Dean, of Keysville, Va., is the guest of Mrs. J. E. Jackson.

Mr. T. J. Averett, of Route 5, was in town Wednesday and called to see the editor.

Ex-Judge J. Crawford Biggs spent Thursday in Oxford on a visit to his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Baylis left Tuesday for New York where they will make their home.

Mr. W. T. Dickerson, of Route 3, was in Oxford Thursday and called on the Public Ledger.

Miss Clara Wooten, of Chase City, is spending some time with friends at the Oxford College.

The editor was greatly pleased to meet in Oxford Thursday his old friend E. L. Crews, of Hester.

Mr. J. Robt. Wood returned a few days ago from a "swing around the circle" in the interest of his business.

Several of the Mail Carriers of this section attended a meeting of the Rural Carriers at Clarksville, Va., Thursday.

Messrs. Frank Blalock and Josh King left Thursday for the Northern Markets to buy the spring goods for the Long Company.

Miss Erwin Royster came from Peace Institute Wednesday evening to spend a few days at home with her father and mother.

Mr. Ed Crews, of Rocky Mount, is in Granville visiting relatives, and was in Oxford Thursday shaking hands with his old friends.

Farmer Joseph.

Old Joseph was a farmer Of very great renown; He made big crops of "backer" And hauled it into town. It happened in October When he was saving feed, His help-meet took a notion To sell the yellow weed. "Hitch Jack and Gill," old Joseph said, For I smell the smoke of fire, The wagons are weak but I'd rather break down, Than brave my Susan's ire. Not one is fit to use, I know, But then the stuff shall go; I hope I'll prove to Susan yet That a thing or two I know.

He started at dawn—not a word to his wife,

The morning was dismal and drear; When a few miles from home It surprised him to see Susan drive up in the rear.

The wagons, they rattled and squeaked and shook; The horses they wanted to go, When climbing the hill old Bob's shaft broke.

And they all stood stock still in a row. Old Joseph fussed and fumed and swore, "A pretty fix now we are in; But his wife blandly smiling said, 'Tis not so bad."

And chuckled him under the chin. For I read of a man in Oxford, N. C., Who carries such things as we need, We'll bulk the tobacco on the road side

And take the wagons to him with speed H. H. Callis saw the procession come On with timid movement and slow.

* When a few hours later they left his shop, The farmer's face was aglow; He said, "You were wise to advertise My Susan was wise to read;

While I think I know a thing or two, She knew the cure for my need. In future more papers for her I'll take.

'Gainst Susan I'll hold no malice; For she proved to me a blessing indeed, When she read of the Repair Shop of H. H. CALLIS.

CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Treasurer of Granville county subject to the decision of the Democratic Primary. If the good people of Granville should honor me with the nomination I will highly appreciate it and strive to make them a faithful and efficient officer.

A. E. BOBBITT.

The Sophomore's.

The chapel of Oxford College was filled Thursday evening by an audience who listened with appreciation and interest to the rendition of the college play, "The Sophomore," which was finely prepared and beautifully carried out. The costume and acting of the participants, the careful training and preparation on the part of all reflected most creditably on the Junior Class.

Whenever the young ladies of Oxford College give an entertainment a very interesting and attractive program is invariably presented and the play of "The Sophomore" will well bear repetition.

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BUSINESS BUILDESS.

GUANO Distributors, Corn and Fertilizer Drills at Long-Winston Co.

SLACK LIME—Good for lawn grass or agricultural purposes. Will sell cheap C. D. Ray

ALL KINDS agricultural implements at Long-Winston Co.

ONE GOOD cow, fresh in milk, for sale by W. R. Walter, Hester, N. C. 2t.

WE HAVE extra good lot of horses and mules and can suit you. Prices right, terms liberal, at Long-Winston Company.

COW FOR SALE—A good milk cow for sale. Apply to L. B. Turner. 2t.

W. A. HLUZEK, the genius tailor carries a perfect assortment of new Spring and Summer samples. Correct styles, fit and workmanship guaranteed, you will find me at old office of Granville Real Estate and Trust Co.

We are filling our show room with the latest up to date style runabouts, and top buggies. Just the kind that will suit you. Harness to match at Long-Winston Co.

PLACE TO GET GOOD TURNOUTS.

If you wish to enjoy a nice ride in up-to-date turnout, with good driving horses, Sundays or week days do not fail to call on Brown & Boyd at the old Royster Stables, Oxford, N. C. 4t

Dr. N. ROSENSTEIN, of Durham, will make his regular fourth Tuesday call to Oxford next Tuesday, February 27th, stopping at the Exchange Hotel, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses, and his charges are always moderate.

WE ARE not going to dissolve partnership or go out of business. The fact is we are better prepared now to take care of your plumbing and electrical wants than ever before. See us for business. Osborn & Mason.

VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE.

One hundred and fifty-five acres on Tar River not far from Tar River station. Good neighborhood, convenient to school. Well adapted to corn and tobacco. Apply to

GRAHAM & DEVIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are now prepared to grind corn and guarantee the meal to be equal to water ground. I have an experienced miller, and a first class stone mill, driven by electricity. A trial will convince you. The mill is located at W. T. Murray's new store, opposite the plaining mill of Orphan Asylum.

Yours to serve,

MURRAY MILLING CO.

CAN CURE YOUR COW.

This is to certify that Frank Plummer is a man that knows how to attend to sick cows and will do it. G. S. Watkins, M. D., This Jan. 26th, 1912

He is the best I ever saw. J. T. Poythress.

He is a good doctor on cows, and as good as I ever saw. A. M. Averett. I O. K. above statement, M. B. Hobgood. feb. 21. 3t.

HERE'S A GUESS FOR YOU!

We will give half ton of Pocahontas Nut Coal to the person guessing nearest to the correct number of pieces of coal in the scuttle in our office window, also half ton splint coal to the one guessing nearest to the weight in pounds and ounces of the lump of splint in the window. Register your name, address and guess at the office any time from March 4th to March 9th inclusive. Contest open to anyone in Granville county, but the same person cannot win both prizes.

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OXFORD ICE CO.

WILL BE IN OXFORD FEB. 27.

Tuesday, February 27th, Dr. N. Rosenstein, the eye Specialist of Durham, will be at Oxford stopping at the Exchange Hotel. If your eyes need glasses do not fail to see him. He is an expert in the optical line. He guarantees satisfaction with every pair of glasses. Dr. Rosenstein has installed in his Durham office one of the finest Optical Machinery to grind his own lenses in Durham, so that every thing is to be done under his personal supervision and his charges are very moderate for fitting glasses.