# OUR SLOGAN--"OXFORD OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES."

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### OXFORD, N. C., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1912.

### STREETS OF OXFORD.

The People Are Anxious to Have Them Mended at an Early Day.

Our suggestion of a Commission form of Government, which appeared in the Public Ledger of recent date, inspired favorable comment on the part of a number of our most influential citizens, and every one realizes as never before the importance of good streets. It is indeed strange that the people, as a whole, have not demanded first-class streets; they add a property value as nothing else will by virtue of the commercial importance they inspire Go to any dirty, muddy town you will in mid-winter and notice the handful of little, swivelled up men, besmired from head to foot with mud, standing around the sheet-iron stoves in offices and stores, and if there is anything in that scene to inspire business beyond the mere necessities of life, then we yield the palm. As a general thing men who live in muddy towas become humped-shouldered from constantly looking at the mudholes at their feet and preparing, froglike, to leap over them and greet you with a frown. There is nothing in that scene, either, that will inspire business. On the other hand, see how everything sparkles and scintillates along the macadam streets and granolithic side-walks of an up-to-date town. The very atmosphere in such a town seems to be pregnated with business, to such an extent that even the snow, hail and lowering clouds bring good cheer, for it is here to-day and gone to-morrow.

Everybody in Oxford remembers the deplorable condition of our streets last winter, and they are fearful that such scenes will confront us again when the winter clouds darken the heavens.

The streets are the same now as they are very glad to see him out on the treets again after his long sickness. were then, only that they are one year older, and the same quantity of rain and It is said every fool makes a hunsnow will produce the same quantity of dred fools. If such is the case the mud, and this will continue from year fool killer would have an endless job. to year unless something of a permanent nature is inaugurated to bring We are please to learn that Charley about better results. Almost any Fort, who has been numbered with the method suggested is sure to meet the sick for two weeks, is rapidly improvopposition of a few mud-larks, but ing. nevertheless it stands to reason that We call your attention to the adver the streets should at least be mended. tisement of Roberts & Wood, livery, and that at once. It is due the Town feed and sales stables, in another col-Commissioners to state frankly that they are not wholey to blame for the umn. deplorable condition of the streets of The warehousmen and buyers are Oxford, for they have not had at their getting ready for the opening of the disposal in any one year over \$2.000 tobacco market the first week in Sepwhich they could set aside for street tember. improvement, and with this small sum This is a world of the many, they have probably handled it with And not of the far and few; as much care and wisdom in filling And so let's be happy with any holes here and there as any other set of Good chances for me and you. men would do, but in many instances it would have been just as wise to Let the people of Oxford get ready pour the silver dollars in the holes as to extend the Steam Laundry their vacated by the milinery department after years, and I am sure they will it was to dump a load of stone there, warm support as it will be ready for on the first floor will be converted into work with a will, and produce results for the waggon-wheels will come along business next week. when the earth is wet and push them aside. Street work should be done with It's a hard old road to Jordan, a degree of permanency, but when Lest we help each other along this is mentioned the wail goes up With a little piece of tobacco that it is impossible to get the crushed And a little laughter and song. stone, and the people, as a general We have heard that the Populist thing, believe there is ground for complaint without going into details, and party is dead and if that is the case the matter stops short. The truth of then it must have been corpses that held that convention in Saint Louis the matter is that crushed stone can one day last week .- Newbern Journal. be had in car-load lots at comparatively low figures. Rock crushing There is no way of improving a place plants abound along the railroads, and as much as by encouraging good mera correspondence with either one of chants, good schools and good people faces animated with the discussions these plants will surprise you how into settle among you, and this cannot of the great problem of teaching the expensive it would be to have the be done unless you spend your money young "mind how to shoot." Their stone delivered in car-load lots. at home. "In time of peace prepare for war, and this is a fitting injunction to mend The eloquent Goy. Kitchin was electhe streets while the days are long ted in 1908 on his personality and if he and the sun is hot, and have the worse is elected this year to the Senate it places fixed before the rought weather will be on his personality. It will cersets in good and strong. Nearly every tainly not be for any record of accomcitizen in Oxford would back the Town plishment that he has ever made. Commissioners in an effort to borrow Lady (at the bottom of the steps)anywhere from \$2,000 to \$5,000 for I want to see you just a minute, but the purpose of tearing out and re-setthis skirt is so tight I can't climb the ing the old macadam on Main, College, Gilliam and other streets and mending stairs. You come out, won't you? the side walks before the impending Lady (inside)-I would if I could, but rains and snows decend upon us. The this new hat is too wide to go through they find pleasant homes with our the doorway! money can be had for the purpose, and there should be some concerted action A woman went into a newspaper taken in the matter at once to insure office and wished to advertise for her us against the impending mire and husband who had disappeared. When Morth Carolina are here to the extent slush of winter. View our town from told that they charged two dollars an of several hundred, and at the hour of whatever angle you please the fact reinch she went out, saying it would going to press this (Tuesday) morning break her up at that rate as her hus- they are assembled in the Court flat prices ironed. Our list compared mains that some way should be devised to improve the streets of Oxford. band was over six feet long. The small sum stipulated above, with Webster's Weekly submits that if style. Response to welcome by Hon. everything that will bear washing and the amount already available, would, if judiciously expended, make a very the treatment of local physicians had H. P. Cheatham, L L. D, Superinten- those that won't we clean and press. creditable showing on the streets of not failed, there would have been no dent of the Colored Orphan Asylum. Oxford.



PUBLIC

Rumor is great liar.

Not years but worries make women old. Contribute to the Wilson campaign

fund.

The more you rake muck the worse it smells.

The voice of the cider mills is heard in the land.

The buildings at the Fair Ground have been painted red.

Mrs. W. D Bryan, who was sick the first of the week, is better.

The more enemies you have the greater will be your station.

Still lives for man the pleasant duty To kiss the queen of love and beauty !

Beware of the "cat" which licks your face and then scratches you from behind.

The Oxford Ice Co is doing a cold business at the same old stand ready to keep you cool.

The most exciting thing to a girl about flirtation is that she might get in earnest any minute.

It's right warm, but it is'nt too hot to advertise and let the people know your business has not dried up.

A good portion of the territory between Oxford and the Virginia line was visited by a rain Sunday afternoon.

The many friends of Shepard Booth

### Mr Will Wood lost a good cow Sun-

Mrs. John B. Booth will open her Ledger on the Commission Form of nusic school Monday, September 2d.

Miss Powell returned Monday night from a visit to her home near Smithfield

We regret to learn that Mr. Dick Watkins again found it necessary to business methods in the management return to the hospital in Richmond for of town affairs. I think the order of treatment.

and stagnant pools. A few croakers though are necessary in every commu- if introduced, then and not until then. nity to measure the rate of progress at which live men are advancing.

The Oxford Hardware Company siderable expense, as residents are has received an order from the Ken- thus forced to build further and furthtucky Test Farm for tobtcco flues. er out, and the town thus has to main-This speaks well for Oxford and espe- tain more and more streets, sidewalks, cially for the young, hustling hardware sewers, lights and hydrants

company. Mrs. J. J. Medford has returned with

her little daughter Elizabeth from Rex hospital, where the little child's knee cap was subjected to the X-ray treatment and an operation. She is resting well, but it will be some weeks before she can use the sore limb

The Orphan's Friend says : Mr. F. P. Bland, the Secretary and Treasurer of changes and improvements needed. the Oxford Orphanage, has departed with his wife and children for a two the work of the present or any past weeks' vacation in his old home in Pen- Board. They have given their time der county. We hope for him an enjoyable visit. After a year's unceasing of them are men of past middle age

The many friends of Capt. George Daniel, one the very best men in the county, while gathering some peaches at his home near Mountain Creek Friday fell a short distance to the ground and seriously injuring himself internally and is not expected to survive the shock, but we sincerely trust this good, kind, beloved man will be spared many more years upon the earth.

First Brick in Position.

A Suggestion. The recent article in the Public

Government points out several of the most crying needs of Oxford, better roads, the opening to occupation of the pasture and garden reservations all over town, and the adoption of these should really be reversed, as Don't croak. Leave that to frogs without doubt up-to-date business methods are the prime necessity, and

> the others are bound to follow. The holdings of unoccupied large areas in the centre of town is a source of con-Mr. Coley Gill, of Stovall, was on our streets Saturday.

> Mr. B. M. Houbold, of -, is visiting The Commission form of Governis family in Oxford. ment is no doubt a splendid thing and is bound to come, but as yet few towns Mr. John Williams. of Fairport, was the size of Oxford have tried it It is n town Saturday. in vogue at Dobb's Ferry, New York, a town of about 3,000 population.

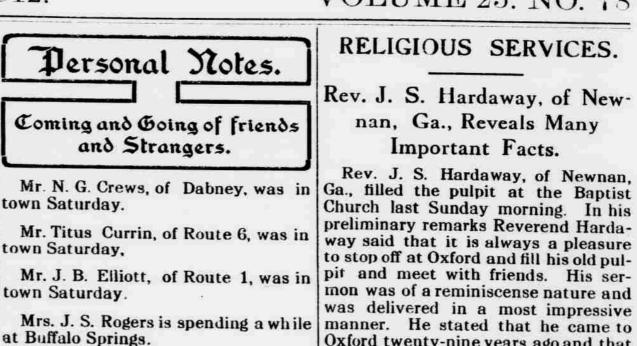
> Mrs, J. M. Baird was at Panacea Why not, as a preliminary move, try Springs this week. a younger and more active Board of Miss May Breedlove, of Route 5, was Commissioners, say 40 years or under,

n town last Saturday. and pledge them to work for the By this I do not mean to depreciate freely and willingly. But the majority from New York City. work a time of rest will be well spent. and what time they can spare from our streets Saturday.

their business is too fully taken up with the larger atlairs for which their years and experience so well fit them, to be able to devote much time to the smaller affairs of the town.

And I think the time and labor required by some of their duties, the supervision of street repairs for example, is too much to ask of men of their age and greater capabilities.

There are plenty of younger men, the town visitors Saturday. of property, responsibility, and business experience, who can very well do



Rev. J. S. Hardaway, of Newnan, Ga., filled the pulpit at the Baptist Church last Sunday morning. In his preliminary remarks Reverend Hardaway said that it is always a pleasure to stop off at Oxford and fill his old pulpit and meet with friends. His sermon was of a reminiscense nature and was delivered in a most impressive Oxford twenty-nine years ago and that his pastorate here embraced a period of twenty-one years. He called the names of the long list of church officers who served the church at some period of his ministry, and looking over the congregation he declared that a large majority of them had fallen upon sleep. Scarcely a residence in Oxford, he said, is now occupied by the original family of twenty-nine years ago. Reverend Hardaway left Oxford nine years ago, and searching the congregation he said that the personel of the church attendance was very marked in so short a space of time-many had passed to their reward and others had come into the church. Reverend Hardaway stated that on leaving Oxford nine years ago he opened a scrapbook, in which he has kept a faithful record, and that it was startling to announce that in so short a time one hundred and forty prominent people of this section had "passed over the river and now rest under the shade of the tree."

**Reverend Hardaway reached Oxford** Saturday and is the guest of Prof. F. P. Hobgood. He is the recipient of many hearty congratulations. He will leave Wednesday and after a shot stay with relatives in Raleigh will return to his charge in Georgia.

Union services were held at the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening. conducted by Dr. Horsfield, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal church. The service was largely attended and the sermon was of yast importance and elicited close attention.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY NEWSPAPER IN

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were present, and the laying of the first brick was merely a signal for the workmen to carry the work forward, and it is hoped that the building will stand completed in all its details before Christmas.

### Making Slight Changes.

The firm of Landis & Easton are remodeling the second floor of their sidewalks, to prepare a plan for constores. By the removal of the partition sistent extensions of streets, sewers, much valuable space will be regained. lights and water mains, and not let This will enable them to locate the them grow haphazard, and to any millinery department on the second other immediate needs of the town. floor, instead of the cramped quarters | Pick men who have most of their lives heretofore set apart for that depart- still before them, and who will live to ment on the first floor. The space see the good results of their efforts in an up-to-date shoe parlor. Everything that will be a pleasant surprise to us will be cozy and neat by the time the all.

fall rush sets in. Landis & Easton are live merchants and take pleasure in looking the comfort of their customers.

Teacher's Institute.

Those who doubt that there are a bevy of pretty school teacher in Granville county let him go to the Graded School building on College street, where a ten-day's institute is being held, and peep in on them while they are busily engaged and their pleasant faces are an inspiration, and this will explain why our County Superintendent of Schools, Prof. J. F Webb, attends so well to his duties. The conductors of this institute are Prof. E. C. McIntosh, of the Durham

Graded School, and Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming, of Oxford, both being experienced institute workers, and there is promise of a very successful Institute. About 65 teachers registered the first day and this number mended. We have a lady to see after will be increased from day to day and

#### The Colored Firemen.

The Colored Fire Association of House. Mayor D. G. Brummitt wel- with others if you will notice is cheapcomed the firemen in his usual happy er than most other laundries, we wash

The first brick was laid on the Phila- this work and who can much better thea building at 1.30 o'clock Monday. afford to give to it the time and energy Mr. Z. W. Lyon, the donor, accompanied necessary They may drawback from by his daughter, Miss Hettie, placed the responsibility at first, through their the first brick in position. The inci- natural modesty or other cause, but I dent was without ceremony, only the am sure that if a little care is used to building committee and a few others select a crowd that will work in har mony, that they will not shrink from the work involved and that excellent results may be expected.

> Pledge them to a platform for the adoption of Modern Methods and Mod ern Book-keeping in the Town's business and finances, to a regular and systematic plan for the improvement and maintenance of the streets and

R. C. M. C.

#### The Owen Warehouse.

The old and reliable Owen Warehouse will open up for business September 4th This warehouse is conducted by Mr. Will Fleming, one of the best warehousemen in this part of the State, and the averages are always high at this warehouse. Mr. Fleming has never been known to fail to exert every possible effort for the patrons of his house See the Owen Warenouse advertisement on fourth page of this paper.

#### TO THE PEOPLE OF OXFORD.

The Oxford Steam Laundry will be ready for business next Monday morning, my wagon will call at every home in Oxford. The doors of the laundry will always be open for the ladies of Oxford to come down and inspect and see just how the business is carried on and see just how the garments are cared for, buttons sewed on, torn places that line and see that all ladies garments are carefully handled. We will run a specialty on lace curtains and blankets; will take your family washing

wash it and send it to your home damp, ready to be finished at home for 1 penny per garment. This is known as a wet wash; will also take your family washing rough dry it for 5c per lb, all We are fixed to handle Ladies Coat resort.

"hurry call" for Doctor Kitchin to come Response on behalf of the Association Suits, Skirts, fine White Dresses, White

Mr. W. H. Averett, of Credmoor sec tion, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. J, B. Mayes, of Stem, was on our

Mr. Gordon Hunt returned Saturday

Mrs. Will Dorsey, of Route 3, was on

Mr.A H.Moore is visiting relatives in

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming returned

Mr. A. Hobgood returned a few days

Mr. Ed Hunt, of Route 5, was among

streets Saturday.

Chase City this week.

Friday from Buffalo Springs.

ago from a visit to Durham.

Mr. G.W. Elliott and son, of Route 3 were town visitors Saturday.

Mrs. B. S. Royster returned a few lays ago from Buffalo Springs.

Miss Fannie Hays is at home from a visit to relatives at Petersburg.

Mr. Josh King is spending a few day at his old home in Halifax county.

Mr. Sam Watkins spent the week end with his family near Clarksville.

Mr. Irvin Mangum spent the first o the week with his family in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Turner and Miss Bumpass visited Buffalo Springs Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Veazey and children, of and Presbyterian churches during the Durham, are visiting relatives on Route absence of the pastors, and if they No. 7.

Mr. Claude Lyon, one of Creedmoor's fine business men, was on our streets Monday.

Rev. Marvin W. Hester, and two fine looking boys, of Route 5, were in town Monday.

Prof. J. A. Pitts, Superintendent of Oxford Graded School, 1s at Buffalo Springs.

Miss Lizzie Mangum, of Stem, spent Monday with Miss Carrie Fuller on **Rectory Street.** 

Mr. Henry A. McGee, of Route 7, left where the fairs depend upon the Saturday to visit relatives in Homea things that grow on the farms, we Path, S. C.

Mr. Thos. Longmire and Mr. A. J Dickerson, of Dickerson, were in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Baldy Hobgood, of Creedmoor, visited his brother, Sam Hobgood, on College street the past week.

Misses Hallie and Ruth Elliott, two of Durham's attractive young ladies, are visiting Mrs. A P. Hobgood.

from a pleasant visit to his uncle, Mr. Frank Hays, in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Stamp Howard and children, of Tarboro, are the guests of Dr. N. M. Ferebee on High street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hicks and sweet little daughter, Julia Brent, arrived on Monday morning from Buffalo Springs.

Mrs. John Webb and interesting the early fall. daughters and sons have returned from Mentreat, quite a popular mountain Asylum for a number of years, and

Mr G. N. Daniel, the excellent Sec-

It was stated from the pulpit that Rev. S. K. Phillips, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will conduct union service at the Methodist church next Sunday evening.

Rev. S K. Phillips is at Glocester Point, Va, in camp with his father's family, Dr. A. L. Phillips.

Dr. Weatherspoon, pastor of the Baptist church, is enjoying a needed rest in the mountains of Western North Carolina.

The probabilities are that Dr. Tyer will remain in Oxford during the warm spell. He is looking after the Baptist tarry too long a number of their members may decide to join Dr. Tyer's church.

Prepare for the Fair.

In some parts of the country fairs are already on, and a great many of them are being held in Tennessee and Kentucky, but one seldom sees anything except horses, mules and other live stock, and so August and September are just as good months for shows as any other month, and perhaps a little better, for the country people have in these months more time to go to fairs. In North Carolina, could not think of holding a fair before October, because it would be impossible to have our best displays ready for exhibition before that time; but October is not very far off, and this year will witness more county fairs than ever in the history of the country, and if the farmers and others throughout Granville county have the mind to have it so the exhibits will be equal to the best in the State. Do not put it off, but get busy right now, getting your exhibits ready as far as possible Master Frank Furman has returned and planning for those that are yet growing on the hill. Let the Granville county fair for 1912 be a banner

### Lane-Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Lane, of the Wilton section, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sudie Alma, to Mr. Boliver Samuel Rice, the marriage to take place in

Miss Lane has taught at the Oxford her valuable services to that institution will be greatly missed. She is universally beloved by the ornhan

Breedlove, Route No 5, Oxford. FOR RENT:One three horse farm. good buildings. Adapted to corn, oats	the Democratic party will always be found hanging on the ouside, and those who wish to enter need only to lift it and come in. They will be gladly wel- comed, and those especially who left	Wednesday will be resumed at 10 a. m. Thursday.	- FARMERS It will be to your interests to inspect the White Hickory Farm Wagons and see the advantages these wagons have.	Sunday in their automobile en route to Buffalo Springs. Miss Flora Edwards, who has been	[aug 10 4t.pd] M. B. HOBGOOD
shop of the late J. F. Edwards.	order to square records with a sleep- less doctor who is on the job.	the Oxford Brass Band, Hose and Reel and Hook and Ladder Companies of Oxford officers and members of the as-	rewarded by returning it to Gibson	Durham Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ashton Kimball. of	GOOD FARM FOR RENT I wish to rent to a good man my home place near Enon church for the
IF YOU want your Wagons, Drays. Overhauled send them to the Southern Buggy Co. for prompt, first class work	people to give up about a fourth of their time and about half they make in	strumental music. The grand parade takes place Wed-	COAT LOST-Wednesday night one	ant visit to Miss Hallie Meadows on	and Harness at right prices. Call and roll them away. Aug. 7—1-m-pd. PETE BULLOCK.
don write J. M. M. Gregory, Durham.	mane and charitable work as a real	were interspersed with vocal and in-		burg, Va.	HAVE for sale extra good Wagons
suit purchasers. For further informa-	What we know about doctors is that	was followed by an address by J. S.	dially invited to come look and inspect.	to Mrs. R. S. Turner on King street,	MI. Rice hves in mash county and is
well. No better tobacco, grass and	"magnetic" treatment.	Carolina (white) Fire Association, who	and will state again the public is cor-	Miss Orman Holt after a pleasant	can fill her place so acceptably. Miss Lane has a host of friends in Oxford. Mr. Rice lives in Nash county and is
to sell a part of my Elmwood Farm lo-	is a physician of much skill, but the	by an address by Col. Jas. D. McNeil,	Suits and Overcoats and by calling	Co. at Tar River, was an Oxford vistor	and it will be difficult to find one who