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THE COLORED FIREMEN.

The Colored Firemen of the State are an Orderly Set of Men.

The Colored Firemen's Association met in Oxford Tuesday morning for a three day's session, and they crowded as much pleasure into their visit as was possible. There were not less than five hundred firemen in the parade, escorted by the Oxford and Winston Brass Bands, and their uniforms of white, of blue and of drab were very neat and pleasing to the eye as they passed in review. They stood in open file in front of the Public Ledger office as their President, J. S. Plummer, passed down the line on his annual inspection, and when he had reached the end of the line they gave him three cheers, three cheers for Oxford, and three cheers for the Oxford Fire Company.

As a general thing the companies represented here were young men and many of them are as suple as cats and well qualified to fight fire. They were neither boisterous, loud or profane; they reflected careful training for their work and an aptitude for discipline, the two cardinal points of the organization.

They had a dances in one of the warehouses and quite a number of white people paid the admission fee of ten cents and looked in upon the round and square dances. Here, at the dance, is where troubles overtake the colored race, and ordinarily you can see the handle of a razor in evidence, but not so at the colored firemen's ball; they were quite orderly and showed a difference for one another.

The reel races were an exhibition well worth seeing, and showed an aptness on the part of the colored man to move around at a lively rate.

The Oxford Company won first prize in the grab reel contest. The next meeting goes to Concord.

Taken as a whole it is doubtful if one could find in the State a more orderly crowd of colored people than the colored fire fighters.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

Concord, time 34½ seconds, 2nd prize; Tarboro, time 33 seconds, 1st prize.

GRAB RACE

Concord, time 37 seconds, 1st prize; Tarboro, time 40 seconds, 2nd prize.

HOSE REEL RACE.

1. Statesville, time 30½ seconds; 2. Henderson, time 25½ seconds, 2nd prize; 3. Fayetteville, time 29¾ seconds; 4. Winston, time ruled out; 5. Spencer, time 24½ seconds, 1st prize; 6. Salem, time 27½ seconds; 7. Oxford, blow off.

GRAB REEL RACE

1. Statesville, time 25½ seconds, prize; 2. Henderson, 25 seconds, 2nd prize; 3. Fayetteville, o time; 4. Winston, 27½ seconds; 5. Spencer, 25½ seconds; 6. Salem, 25 seconds; 7. Oxford, 24½ seconds, 1st prize.

The election of officers were as follows: J. S. Plummer, of Warrenton, President; F. F. Chambers, of Statesville, 1st. Vice-President; L. L. Battle, of Rocky Mount, 2nd Vice-President; J. G. Lattie, of Winston-Salem, Treasurer; C. S. L. A. Taylor, of Charlotte, Financial Secretary; Peter Collins, of Warrenton, Recording Secretary; J. W. Grimes, of Washington, Chaplain; J. E. Smith, of Salisbury, Chief Marshall; J. J. Thorp, of Wilson, Statistician.

The following resolution and preamble were adopted by the Association:

Resolved, That the hospitable people of Oxford opened their palatial homes for our comfort and laden their tables with food which would please the most fastidious appetite; the officials of the city through their chief executive, who so cordially welcomed us in words of brotherly love; the railroad companies so willingly aided us in reaching this city, and

Whereas, our statesmen, jurists, educators, brothers and sisters laid aside their duties to make the opening day a success; the business men who contributed means toward the enjoyment of the visiting firemen, therefore be it

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt appreciation for the hospitality, and assure them though we separate we shall ever hold them near and dear in our memory.

APPLICATION FOR PARDON OF TOM HESTER.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for the pardon of Tom Hester, convicted at the July Term, 1911, of the Superior Court of Granville County of the crime of attempting to commit rape and sentenced for a term of five years on the roads of Granville County. All persons who oppose the granting of said pardon are invited to forward their protest to the Governor without delay. This Aug. 22nd, 1912.

FINE TOBACCO FARMS FOR SALE.

We have in the heart of the fine tobacco belt of Wake county several farms for sale. Price and terms reasonable. Full description sent on application. A. C. HUGHES & Co
(Sept 25 d] Apex, N. C.

WANTED:—Several white girls can secure positions at the Oxford Steam Laundry by applying to C. O. Eakes.

Local Wavelets.

Events of Interest Gathered Here and There.

The Stem High School will open on Monday, September 9th.

Mr. Carl Ragland was in Louisburg a few days ago on business.

Fight for cause you espouse, but don't shoot the man that don't agree with you.

The children will have to begin to look up their books as the opening of the schools are near at hand.

We are glad to see out again Mr. E. E. Sizemore, who was hurt at the fire at Mr. Ed. Long's some days ago.

Messrs. Josh King and Frank P. Blalock will leave Monday for the northern markets to buy goods for the Long Company.

We want to say to an anonymous writer that it is a hard matter to keep a newpaper man still when there are kickers around.

Your attention is directed to the important change in the advertisement of the Granville Real Estate & Trust Co. on the 4th page.

About 75 of the good people of Culbreth section gathered at the Sam Jones Mill Thursday and enjoyed a grand old time fish fry.

It is evident that Gov. Kitchin has taken an overdose of Simmons Regulator which does not set well on his officeseeking stomach.

Don't forget to attend Endymion at the Opera House Tuesday night, Aug. 27th, at 8:15 p. m., given by the Methodist Philathea Class. Admission 35 and 50 cents.

Mrs. W. H. Smith, who lived in Oxford for a number of years, died in Durham the first of the week, and her remains were brought to Oxford and interred in Elmwood Cemetery.

In spite of the drought Supt. R. L. Brown says that the Oxford Orphanage farm will produce this year some 2,000 bushels of corn and 1200 bushels of sweet potatoes, along with a large quantity of peas and rough feed.

It is noted that the State Association of County Commissioners, at their session in Wilmington last week, discussed the salary system for county officers and the Wilmington Star says the sense of the meeting seemed to be unanimously in favor of it.

Everybody likes good fitting and well made clothes therefore we call your especial attention to the advertisement of Mr. W. A. Huzelk, Oxford's expert tailor on the 4th page. He turns out high-grade work and strives to please his patrons and will be glad to serve you.

Rev. S. K. Phillips has returned from his vacation, and it is announced that he will occupy his pulpit at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning, and he is scheduled to conduct the union meeting at the Methodist church next Sunday evening. It is very probable that this will bring to a close the series of union meetings.

Mrs. C. D. Ray handsomely entertained Thursday afternoon at her very attractive home on College street in honor of her guests, Mrs. John Long, of Petersburg, Va., and Mrs. Gertrude Roberts and daughter, Miss Susie B. Roberts, of Chase City, Va. Choice refreshments were served, which were greatly enjoyed by the happy guests.

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 mended. We have a lady to see after 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 flat prices ironed. Our list compared with others if you will notice is cheaper than most other laundries, we wash everything that will bear washing and those that won't we clean and press. We are fixed to handle Ladies Coat Suits, Skirts, fine White Dresses, White Kid Gloves or anything that needs to be cleaned and pressed, also gents Suits and Overcoats and by calling Phone 144 we will wait on you promptly and will state again the public is cordially invited to come, look and inspect. Thanking you for your patronage, I remain, Yours to wash,
C O EAKES.

FOR SALE:—One young, gentle, fresh milch cow. Apply to Mrs. J. H. Breedlove, Route No. 5, Oxford.

WATCH FOB LOST:—Mongram on back M. C. T. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to M. C. Taylor.

Comes to the Front.

The old reliable Johnson Warehouse will open up for business September 4th. Mangum & Watkins, proprietors, are known far and near as expert warehousemen, Mr. Watkins being the auctioneer and Mr. Mangum giving his attention to the sales, both hustling to secure the highest possible prices. The warehouse is well lighted, comfortable and well adapted for the handling of a very large volume of business. Their advertisement on the fourth page of this paper makes interesting reading.

Teacher's Institutes.

The Granville County Teacher's Institute, now in progress at the Graded School building, conducted by Prof. E. C. McIntosh, of the Durham Graded School, and Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming, Oxford, is very interesting from a technical standpoint. All parts of the county is represented at the Institute, there being upwards of a hundred teachers present.

Prof. Pattillo, of the Oxford Colored Graded School, is also holding a County Institute at the Colored Graded School building, which is also calculated to inspire the colored teachers in modern methods of imparting knowledge to the young and is well attended.

Death of a Noble Citizen.

In our last issue we announced the critical illness of Capt. Geo. B. Daniel, of Oak Hill township, and on that afternoon he answered the last roll and was gathered to rest from the effects of a fall he had received a few days before. He was 70 years of age and one of our popular and highly respected citizen, and greatly esteemed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. He was a brave Confederate soldier and served with distinction as Captain of a Granville company and much beloved by his comrades in arms. Captain Daniel was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church, and conscience guided every act, and strictly honest in the service he rendered. In short he was not only a model christian, but he was an honorable gentleman, in the highest sense that term implies. To man, woman, child, saint or sinner, he always extended cordial greeting that lent a ray of light to brighten their pathway in the journey of life. He commanded the respect of all sects and classes of people, as the attendance at his funeral fully verified. We appreciated his true worth and when the snowwhite sails bore him away to the distant shore we realized that a good and righteous man had been taken from our midst.

He leaves a widow, five sons and two daughters to mourn his almost sudden taking away, and we extend to them our deepest sympathy in the hour of deep gloom.

"Weep not that his toil is over;
Weep not that the race is run,
God grant that we may rest as sweetly
When, like his, our work is done;
Till then we yield with gladness
Our love one to Him keep
And rejoice in the sweet assurance
He giveth his His beloved one sleep"

The funeral took place at the home Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. S. K. Phillips, of Oxford, and the interment was in the family grave yard and attended by a very large concourse of relatives, friends and neighbors from town and county.

Oak Hill Oracles.

Our garden truck is drying up very fast.

Automobiles are getting to be very numerous on the road between Oxford and Virgilina.

We have had a few showers of rain in this vicinity lately, but the corn crop is not over one-fourth.

Judge Graham, of Oxford, passed through here in a buggy last week, returning from a business trip to Person.

The roads in this section are in bad shape and it is hoped that something can be done for them before winter sets in.

The early planted tobacco is somewhat burnt by the sun, but it is being cut, primed and cured. Late tobacco is looking better and a season of rain would work wonders.

A few nights ago a thief entered the smoke-house of Mr. S. M. Evans and carried off with him all the meat he could take. The thief knew that the dogs were down at the tobacco barn with Mr. Evan's sons.

FOR SALE,

26 Berkshire Pigs, from 40 to 100 pounds each; 4 Berkshire Brood Sows, 1 Berkshire Boar 10 months old.
a7-6] Brookside Farm, Route 7, Box 7.

LOST on College or Asylum streets August 22 one brown Ladies Coat, and the finder will please return to Mrs. D. N. Hunt and receive reward.

— FARMERS —

It will be to your interests to inspect the White Hickory Farm Wagons and see the advantages these wagons have. All parts warranted. Sold by
LONG-WINSTON CO.

HAVE for sale extra good Wagons and Harness at right prices. Call and roll them away.
Aug. 7—1-m-pd. PETE BULLOCK.

Negro Murdered at Saw Mill.

Wednesday morning last Walter Barnes shot and killed Sylvester Anderson at the Jonah Veasey saw mill, near the home of Mr. E. C. Harris, in Fishing Creek township. Mr. Veasey was not at the mill at the time of the shooting and as was his custom he designated a colored man, one Coley, to keep the time of the laborers, all being colored. Anderson, the dead man, claimed that Coley owed him "some time," and went out into the woods, taking his gun along with him, to where Coley and three others were at work and told Coley he wanted his money, and compelled the men to fall into line and he marched them to camp at the point of his gun. Arriving at the camp he ushered them into the house, closed the door and ran around to a window he pocked his gun in and demanded his money, whereupon Coley implored him not to shoot, as he would give him the money. Anderson then left the window, and as Walter Barnes stepped out of the door, gun in hand, Anderson, with gun to his shoulder, told Barnes he was going to kill him; at this point Barnes shot from his hip, the load taking effect in Anderson's breast, who reeled and fell to the ground, expiring a few minutes later.

Barnes did not make any attempt to go away, but regretted that it was necessary to shoot in self-defense and did every thing he could in aiding the others to get the coroner and later in sending the remains to Oxford.

Coroner W. D. Bryan was notified and proceeded at once to the scene of the murder and empanelled the following jury: J. A. Williams, E. C. Harris, A. L. Capehart, S. Faison, W. K. Long, F. M Coston.

After investigating the cause of the homicide the jury rendered the following verdict: That the said Sylvester Anderson came to his death by a gun shot wound and the shooting was justifiable.

The body was brought to Oxford and turned over to Mr. J. R. Wood to prepare for burial. The dead man's relatives in Raleigh were notified of the tragedy, and his brother, who is a Raleigh mail carrier, came to Oxford Thursday and claimed the body.

Senatorship in This District.

Mr. J. A. Long, of Roxboro, was in town Wednesday of this week and while here took occasion to talk with a number of our people about the Senatorship from this district. It appears that it was told in this county that Person county made no nomination for this office at its convention, but that the matter was left to Granville.

From Mr. Long's statement of the matter and that made by others who were present at the convention it appears that this is a mistake but that the convention nominated Mr. Long and authourized the delegates to vote for him at the Berea convention. Our information is that of the thirty-five delegates to the Person county convention twenty-three votes were cast for Mr. Long, seven and a fraction for Mr. W. A. Warren and four and fraction for Dr. E. J. Tucker. If the precedents which have obtained in this district and the other districts of the State are to follow this year, this as we understand the matter, is equivalent to the nomination of Mr. Long. If precedent is followed, all that the Granville delegates will have to do at the Berea convention will be to endorse the action of the Person county convention.

It seems that Dr. Tucker is abiding by the action of the Person county convention, but that Mr. Warren is seeking support in this county for the nomination and that he has been encouraged by those who have not fully understood the situation as fully set fourth above. It is to be hoped that the Granville county delegates will take no action that would impair the pleasant feelings that have always existed between the two counties. Two years ago Mr. Long and his friends loyally supported both Gen. Royster for Congress and Judge Graham for Corporation Commissioner. Person has always endorsed the action of the Granville county conventions in nominating Senator Hicks. It is to be hoped that our people will stand by Person county's action this year in nominating a Senator in the same way.

As we view the matter it is not a question of whether we would support Mr. Long or Mr. Warren. That, it seems, is not an open question. While some might be disposed to support Mr. Warren if we had that right, we cannot afford to attempt to overide the action of our sister county in nominating its candidates as she had the right to do.

Creedmoor Tobacco Market.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of tobacco growers to the advertisement of the Creedmoor Board of Trade announcing the opening of the wide-awake Market on Friday, September 6th. Some most excellent gentlemen are in command of the Warehouses and the very highest averages are guaranteed on all tobacco sold on that hustling market. Don't forget Creedmoor when you get ready to sell tobacco.

Subscribe to Public Ledger and keep up with the home news.

Personal Notes.

Coming and Going of friends and Strangers.

Mr. T. C. Dement, of Route 3, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mr. F. L. Currin, of Route 6, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. E. C. Harris, of Route 3, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. Luther Crews, of Route 5, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Miss Lucile O'Briant, of Culbreth, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. Fayette Washington, near Stem, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. Taylor Marrow has returned from a visit to Red Springs.

Mr. Sam Moss, of Creedmoor, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. Crawford Knott, of Route 1, was an Oxford visitor Thursday.

Mr. Macon Hobgood, of Route 1, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. T. Lanier and son, Roger, have returned from Buffalo Springs.

Mr. Graham Daniel, of Providence, was on our streets Wednesday.

Mr. F. M. Timberlake, of Oak Hill, was a visitor to town Thursday.

Mr. W. C. Allen, of Sassafras Fork Township, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. W. J. Royster, of Providence, was among the visitors to town Thursday.

Mrs. J. S. Jones and daughter, near Stem, were Oxford visitors Thursday.

Mr. Elijah Currin, of Tar River section, was on our streets Wednesday.

Mr. John Burnett, of Route 7, was among the visitors in Oxford Thursday.

Mrs. Harry Williams and son, John, are spending the week at Buffalo Springs.

Mrs. Gilliland, of Portsmouth, Va., is visiting Mrs. J. J. Renn on College Street.

Mrs. T. S. Waller and daughter, have returned from a visit to relatives at Morrisville.

Misses Mary and Ruth White have returned from a visit to relatives near Buffalo Springs.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Coggeshall returned Wednesday from their pleasant summer outing.

Major E. R. McKethan, of Fayetteville, is the guest of Capt. W. H. White on Hillsboro street.

Miss Scotia Hobgood, of Kinston, is visiting her brother, Mr. Sam Hobgood on College street.

Messrs. C. G. Sanford, of Knap of Reeds, and Eugene Cousins, of Columbia, S. C., were in Oxford Wednesday.

We are pleased to see on our streets Mr. Mott Pinnix, of Richmond, who is visiting his mother, Mrs. Hannah Pinnix, on College street.

Miss Lula Kimball, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. J. Renn, on College street, returned to her home in Porthmouth Va.

Miss Bales, of Chase City, is relieving Miss Wheeler, the efficient night operater at the Telephone Exchange, who is taking her vacation.

Mr. Loomas M. Hales, formerly with the State Board of Health, but now of the road, paid a short visit to his sister Mrs. J. N. Pittman this week.

The attractive Miss Blanche Atwater, who has been visiting Misses Hallie and Janie Jones, near Stem, left for home at Knaps of Reeds Sunday.

Mrs. John Long, of Petersburg, Va., and Mrs Gertrude Roberts and daughter, Miss Susie Boyd Roberts, of Chase City, Va., are the pleasant guests of Mrs C. D. Ray on College street.

Mr. and Mrs. Primrose Brown and daughter left Friday morning in their automobile for their home in Tallahasse, Fla. They were accompanied as far as Spartanburg, S. C., by Mr. L. P. Royster.

Mrs. I. N. Howard and children have returned from an extended visit to her mother, Mrs. Bettie Osborne, of Lawrenceville, Va. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Annie, who will remain in Oxford several weeks.

WANTED TO SELL a small farm of 10 acres with buildings, land improved, one mile of Henderson, or would exchange for a small farm in two or three miles of Oxford. Address, Exchange, Henderson, N. C. 2t.pd.

TUESDAY, AUG. 27TH

Dr. N. Rosenstein, of Durham, will be at Oxford, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses, if your eyes are falling don't fail to see Dr. Rosenstein he stays at the Exchange hotel for one day only, Tuesday, Aug. 27th.

OUR NEW STEAM LAUNDRY

It is an Enterprise Worthy of Our Patronage---Open for Business Monday.

The people of Oxford can now rejoice in having an up-to-date steam laundry, which will be open for business next Monday morning. The Public Ledger in enumerating the many opportunities in Oxford always included in the list an up-to-date steam laundry. Mr. C. O Eakes, the proprietor, came to Oxford some three months ago and after canvasing the situation carefully decided to embark in business here. He has had large experience in the laundry business; his machinery is the most modern that money can buy and the water supply is ideal for high-class laundry work, and the prices are most reasonable.

Mr. Eakes has a neat laundry wagon which will start on its rounds next Monday morning, calling at every home in Oxford. He invites a close inspection of the plant and the hygienic methods in which the work is carried on. A lady operator is present to see that the garments of their lady customers are properly mended, all buttons in place and garments immaculate before they leave the laundry building. No one could expect greater inducements to patronize home enterprise than is offered by Mr. Eakes. His work is a shade better and a shade cheaper than the imported work which has been coming to Oxford for a long time, to say nothing of the conveniencies the home enterprise furnishes the good people of Oxford, and if they should send their work elsewhere to have it done, without first giving Mr. Eakes a fair trial, they will stand in their own light.

The Public Ledger extends to Mr. Eakes and his family a cordial greeting and trust that his affiliations will be both pleasant and profitable.

Experiment Station.

The experiment work in tobacco conducted by Mr. E. G. Moss on a portion of the County Home farm should receive greater attention from the farmers of Granville county. It is true a large number have by their visits shown a genuine interest and have received incalculable benefits from the study of the demonstration in fertilization and cultivation, but the great opportunity offered to the farmers has not been appreciated as it should have been.

It is not intended here to indulge in any fulsome flattery of Mr. Moss or to express any sterotyped commendation on the success achieved by him, for as Gov. Aycock once truthfully said in introducing a speaker, the man who needs this does not deserve it and the man who deserves it does not need it. It is not out of place, however, in view of the public nature of this experiment work to publish to the people of the county that Mr. Moss is held in the very highest regard by the government officials under whom he works, both as to his personal ability and his expert knowelge. Mr. Moss is a native of Granville county, a graduate of the State University, a specialist along scientific lines, not only a practical tobacco raiser but an expert in every phase of the plant's life. The State has few men in its employ who combine in such an eminent degree theoretical knowledge and practical common sense.

The writer is moved to make these statements not for any benefit it will be to the man in question. In all probability it will be distasteful to him, but is it done with the hope that it may in a measure help towards attracting the attention of the tobacco raisers of the county to the experiment work conducted in their midst and add some weight to the authority that should be attached to the head of this demonstration. Experiments are being made that would be impossible to the average farmer, the results of which may add thousands of dollars to the county's income. As an illustration of what can be done, one of the best tobacco farmers of the county consented to have a small plot of ground prepared and cultivated under the direction of Mr. Moss. The farmer states that if all of the crop on his farm had been cultivated in the same way it would have added over $500 to its value. Multiply this by 100, 200, 500 and you will get some idea of the great increase that will be added to the income of the farmers by learning to use better methods in their farm operations.

WILL BE AT OXFORD TUESDAY.

Dr. N. Rosenstein, the eye specialist of Durham, will be at the Exchange hotel next Tuesday, Aug. 27th, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses.

DO YOU WANT THEM?—2 STORES FOR RENT.

We wish to lease for a term of years two good stores in Mitchell Block on Main street now occupied by Chas. H. Landis and John Paris. Security for the rent will be required. For further information apply to J. T. BRITT.

DR. N. ROSENSTEIN will make his regular fourth Tuesday call to Oxford next Tuesday, Aug 27th, stopping at the Exchange Hotel, don't fail to see him about your eyes and glasses. Charges very moderate to all.