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GRANVILLE COUNTY.

So Very Pretty, But It Has a History.

Of all the trees in Granville county the one on the lawn in front of the Court House is without doubt the most popular of them all. To be sure, it is neither old or pretty, but nevertheless we reverence its memory. Winter and summer the bench beneath its sheltering care is always occupied. It is the recognized place for the gossips to gather and talk polities, crops and scandal; its branches shadows impartially the just and the unjust, the young and the old, the rich and the poor. The debtor and the creditor meet there when the mortgages is to be foreclosed and the land sold. The successful litigant and the defated one pass it on their way out of court. Lawyers and laymen scheme and wrangle within its shadows. And of all the bargains that were made; to be kept or broken; of all the secrets and scandals whispered beneath it, the tree has never told one wordthat is why we reverence its mem-

The business of Granville county is largely conducted under that tree. made; land bought and sold, family other column. settlements planned, and all the things that go to make up community life are talked over here. As one of the most able lawyers in Oxford the other day said "There have been more lies told under that tree than under any other tree in the county." but there were also, we venture to say, many truths told; many wise and kind plans perfected; many quarrels reconciled; many things done under that tree that helped along the ever perplexing problems of life and the pursuit of happiness. Peace to its mellow shade!

The Question of Advertising.

The question of printing advertisements of business men outside supplied by local dealers is one that has long been a most interesting | Honor to women! To them it is subject among the various pubishers of the country. After mature deliberations on the subject of granting admittance to our columns of advertising matter from firms in other towns than our own engaged in a business which conflicts with one or more institutions operating here the publishers of the Public Ledger have concluded they are absolutely justified in so doing. Our merchants are offering their goods at prices that compete with business houses eleswhere and we see no work at once. reason why they should fear. We do not believe that the acceptance of such business by a paper injures the local merchant or in any way operates against the home town. In accepting outside advertisements we do so at an increase rate. A not a charitable organization. It this office-one that will stickany proper source, and in return with his school hours. for this income it performs invaluable services to the community. It keeps an eye on public officials and affairs, promotes local improvements and brings the outside world to every man's door. Therefore it should be encouraged and not hazed and heckled by narrow minded mer-

the merchants of Oxford strengthen their business in every way possible and we do not advocate the necessity of other merchants coming to best policy is to strengthen every that they continue to improve. line of business we have. If we multiply our business houses we must multiply our population. The merchants and business men of Ox- another lot so the contractor can ford have in the Public Ledger a commence the erection of a nice of town and county, and if they street.

Record Breaking Work.

We learn from Commissioner C. W. Bryan, who has charge of the his time, that up to Saturday evening one-third of the grading of Spring street had been done and had only paid out \$64 for labor. ceive his hustling attention.

AND COUNTY

It is Not So Very Old or Not About People and Things That Are of Interest to Our Readers.

Pleased to learn that Mrs. Josiah Cannady continues to improve.

Andrew Kittrell, who has been quite sick several days, is improv-

Colonel Roger Gregory is having the front porch to his residence

Men think they were born to rule but those who marry soon find out their mistake about it.

It is given out that the "King Bee" is still buzzing, and his sting is in good working order. We much regret say nothing as

yet has been done in the way of improving our City of the Dead. The Brooks Davis saw mill at

Stovall caught fire, and the citizens put it out at a loss of \$250. Although the contest is over six

Ledger family for one year Monday and Tuesday. The attention of readers is called

to the advertisement of the sale of Here bargains are struck; deals the J. F. Cole home place in an possible prices. Miss Burdette Joyner, who went

> to a Richmond hospital a few weeks ago for treatment, has returned home much improved.

His statement is probably correct, plant an advertisement in Twice-aweek Public Ledger.

Owing to private sale being made of the land advertised by H. P. and W. J. Webb to take place Aug. 7, the sale has been called off.

The soda fountain and ice cream business are two at any rate that have suffered no slump in Oxford on account of the hot weather.

We notice some automobile runford don't overhaul them sometime.

To garden the earth with the roses -Schiller. of Heaven.

Charley Easton, who has been sick for sometime, has so far recovered as to be able to resume his duties in National Bank of Gran-

If you want your father or brother to win the high-grade 2-horse wagon and harness offered by the Twice-a-week Public Ledger go to

M. W. Wheelous, of Grissom, was in Oxford Tuesday and we were sorry to learn from him that Joe Wheelous was critically ill and not expected to recover.

We want a bright, reliable white paper is a business institution and boy to work a few hours a day in is entitled to derive income from light work, and will not interfere

with Miss Annie Green.

We will thank those who desire space in our five thousand Tobacco Edition to please send in the copy The Public Ledger prefers to see for their advertisement as the issue will be a business winner.

The many friends of Miss Willie Lee Thomas and Mrs. L. F. Smith, who are in a hospital in Richmond Oxford to open up stores,. The for treatment, will be glad to learn

The Gilliam residence owned by Jonah Veasey is being moved on strong medium for the upbuilding residence for Mr. Veasey on Gilliam

avail themselves of our columns | As the result of the Mail Car- the opinion that Major Stedman most of fields for use of machinery. they will reach more than ten riers' Contest the Public Ledger will have strong opposition for re- Nice quantity of original growth thousand readers each issue. The goes into more homes in Granville election. While no formal announce- timber besides old field pine. House Public Ledger now has the largest county than ever before, with an ments have been made it is practi- contains 8 rooms, including kitchin circulation since it was established. increased per centage in adjoining cally certain that Granville county and bath room, with modern water Ray on College street. counties.

Never before have we read so much about a good crop year. The wheat crop was a bumper one, and street work charging nothing for the farmers say that corn, tobacco and cotton give every promise of doing their best

who will take boarders.

THE MOST NOTED TREE IN GATHERED FROM THE TOWN Pleased With Improvements.

A subscriber in South Granville 'I never saw such an improvement we like getting it two times a week. Glad to see you working for education and the fair."

Excellent Crop Reports.

Reports of exceptionally fine cures and crops of tobacco are being received from a good portion of the county and adjoining counties. It seems to be the opinion of those closely connected with the tobacco situation that prices will be good.

Miss Mitchell Entertained.

Miss Esther Mitchell, of Oxford is having a round of pleasure as the guest of Miss Corrinne Morrison at her pleasant home in Statesville. A number of heart parties have been given in her honor, in which she has made the highest scores.

Oxford Hardware Co.

The special attention of our large number of readers is directed to the important announcement of the more subscribers joined the Public Oxford Hardware Co. Read it and extend these clever gentlemen your patronage as they will do their best how it is done. to please you. Remember they do all kind of repair work at lowest it ought never to be said that veg-

Lookout Auto Owners.

All you automobile owners had better look after your red rear light | Court convened Monday morning. and the red number tax paid tag. His Honor Judge George W. Con-If you want to reach a majority the law will be strictly enforced officers of court were on hand at of the people of Granville county and every car seen without these ten o'clock, the opening hour, and requirements will be held up, and all cars that pass through the streets cute all violators of the State laws. from other places will be held up.

Aristocratic Bees.

It has been discovered that one of the large Doric pillows on the portico of Mr. Henry Hunt's handsome home is inhabited by honey bees. The indications are that they have laid in a supply of honey and intend to remain there for ners exceed the speed limit and it some time. They attend strictly to the home town who deal in articles is a wonder to us policeman Willi- their own business and give no one the least bit of trouble.

Girl Baby Left at Door.

We learn from Herndon Moore the popular carrier of Route 2, that A. A. Rice at Tar River was much surprised Sunday morning about 4 o'clock to find at his front door a girl baby about a week old in a basket, nicely clothed and a letter along with a \$10 bill, instructing him how to look after the child. He heard a noise at his door and grabbed his gun and went out and the wail of the baby was all he heard. Mr. and Mrs. Rice have no children and will be sure to take good care of the little girl, which will no doubt soon win their love.

A Cutting Scrape.

Graham Alexander and Jim Jones, both colored and drunk, concealed weapon; not guilty. met near the Southern station last Sunday night about 9 o'clock and began to curse and abuse each other. In the mix up Alexander drew his fined \$15 and cost. Youngsville correspondent of the knife from his pocket and cut Jones Franklin Times says: Misses Ruby in the abdomen. Dr. Thomas was cealed weapon; fined \$5 and cost. Mangum and Helen Sledge, of Ox- called and took several stitches ford, have been spending sometime across the stomach, and he believes guilty; judgement suspended upon he will pull him through if no complications set in. Alexander left the scene of the cutting and has not | to list tax; guilty; judgement susbeen seen since. Chief of Police pended upon payment of cost. Williford learned of the fracas Monday morning and made a search for Alexander but has not been able to learn of his whereabouts. Asked as to why he did not get on the track of the violators earlier the Chief said that the negro Jones is so trifling no one seemed to care to call his attention to the affair.

The Way the Wind Blows.

all, of the papers in the Fifth Con- 400 1-2 acres of good tobacco and gressional district are unanimous in grain land. Stumps removed in has in General B. S. Royster the and sewer fixtures; good buildings ablest man in the district, and if for handling tobacco and grain; two he decides to enter the race the tenant houses. Possession given Metropolitan district will have a this fall or if preferred a good man strong and aggressive Represen - will rent next year. Sale to be tative in Congress to be proud of. made Saturday, August 23rd, at 12 taking up the refrain, "We need will be sold in several tracts and Sam Watkins has transformed just such a man as Gen. Royster in as a whole. Terms 1-3 cash, re-If he keeps up this low ratio of ex- the old Johnson home into a real Washington." The district is mainder one and two years. Prempense he will grade the street at a neat place, removing the old fence large, but the name of General ises shown on request. For further is on a visit to his father, Dr. N ber suit was shown in white enamel low figure. Let us hope some of and cleaning up the yard. It will Royster is fast becoming a house- information address the other principle streets will re- be occupied by Mrs. Olivia Rogers, hold word with the people of all classes.

Hard to Get.

The housekeepers of Oxford and in renewing his subscription says: the grocers as well, are hard put to it these days to get country proas you have made in the paper, and duce. There is and has been, a distressing shortage of corn, beans, tomatoes, and other vegetables and cantaloupes have been remarkably

Why is it that so little attention is paid to trucking? There is always demand in Oxford for everything the farmer grows and the prices are always good. Why not raise corn and sell it on the local market at 15 cents per dozen ears green, rather than wait and sell it at 80 cents per bushel in the fall?

A few days ago a good lady of Oxford, desparing of getting vege tables from the grocers, drove out from town a distance of about five miles on one road and stopped at every farm house along the road. She asked for corn, for beans, for tomatoes and for apples. Nothing doing. Nobody had any to sell. A great many housewives told her that they did not make enough of those commodities to supply their own tables.

It strikes us that there ought to be money in it. We would like to see some first class trucker settle near Oxford and show our people

With our soil and our climate, etables of any kind, are hard to get.

Granville Superior Court.

The Granville County Superior The authorities say after Aug. 1st. nor, of Wilson, presiding. All the Solicitor Gattis was ready to prose

> This is the second term of Court held by Judge Connor. He is an able young man, with pleasant features and his address to the Grand Jury, covering the State laws, was most emphatic, and well delivered

Judge Connor was speaker of the House of Representatives day. at the lastsession. He has the abilty to preside with dignity and honor, and is universally admired by the bar and Court officials, and he has a faculty of disposing of business with dispatch.

The following Grand Jurors were

C. A. Carroll, Foreman; C. R. Dement, R. A. Norwood, William Wilkerson, C. E. Averett, J. T, Poythress, B. W. Butler, J. M. Cottrell, J. C. Frazier, B. F. Currin, W. O. Dickerson, J. G. Smith, E. G. Crews, J. Russell Webb, C. A. Day, L. G. Patterson, R. L. Hunt, J. P. Tunstall.

D. W. Eakes was sworn in as officer in charge of the Grand Jury. There are about thirty criminal cases on the docket. The following cases were disposed of Monday:

State v. John C. Peace, disposing of mortgage property; plead guilty and judgement suspended on pay-

ment of cost. State v. Wade Mobley, carrying

State v. Wiley McGhee, a. w. d. w.; guilty; fined \$15 and cost. Robert Hicks, larceny; guilty,

State v. Ben Allen, carrying con-State v. Sandy Gregory, assault; payment of cost and doctor's bill. State v. J. A. Hutchins, failure

SALE OF BRICK OFFICES.

I offer for sale the two brick offices at Oxford, occupied by Graham and Devin, together with about sixty feet of land in the rear. I will sell on long time, three, four or five years, if desired. Write to me at Raleigh, R. W. Winston.

FINE FARM FOR SALE.

Home of late J. Frank Cole, sit-Though the nominating conven- uate 8 miles West of Oxford in tion is a year off nearly all, if not Walnut Grove Township, containing The people all over the district are m., in front of the Court House; SAM C. HOWARD,

Stovall, N. C. to see him. laug.6.5t.pd

YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Oxford The Public Ledger Will Give **Folks and Their Friends** in General.

E. C. Harris, of Route 3, was in town Saturday.

A. M. Cash, of Route 5, was in town Saturday,

Oxford Saturday. J. L. Woody, of Route 5, was in

Oxford Saturday. T. V. Bobbitt, of Watkins, was

in town Saturday.

Miss Lucy Webb is visiting Miss Bruton at Kinston.

in town Saturday.

Mrs. J. M. Currin has returned rom Buffalo Springs.

C. G. Royster, of Bullock, was on our streets Monday. E. T. Rawlins, of the road, is at

nome for a few days.

Mrs. P. C. Parham, of Route 3, was in town Monday. Miss Edna Tyer has returned from

isiting friends at Maxton. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown are n the Land of the Sky.

Mrs. Hamlin Cheatham, of Route was in town Saturday.

N. G. Crews and son, of near Dabney, was in town Saturday. Bailey Owen, of Henderson,

spent the week end in Oxford. Mrs. C. G. Couch and children

are visiting relatives in Norfolk. Mrs. G. F. Downey is among the many visitors at Panacea Springs.

Josh King left Tuesday morning for Buffalo Springs to spend a week. Titus, D. and Frank Currin, of Route 6, were town visitors Satur-

I. E. Harris and W. R. Garner, of Creedmoor, were in Oxford Mon-

John Haskins has returned from visit to relatives at Lumberton and Apex.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Taylor and daughter, of Route 7, was in town

Miss Sallie Wood visited her sister, Mrs. A. B. Howard, of Route last week.

Mrs. W. T. Lee and two bright daughters are visiting relatives in Clarksville.

Miss Edith Parham spent last week with Miss Eugenia Crews near Salem.

Vance county. B. T. Harris, T. L. Bullock and

W. A. Hester, of Hester, were in Oxford Monday. son, of Wilton section, were on our

streets Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Brewer, of Wake Forest, are house guests at Woodawn Hall, near Oxford.

from a 10 days stay with Miss Wil- have blown and no damage resultlie Thomas in Richmond.

Misses Alverlee and Lila Currin were the guest of Miss Ruby Adcock, on Ruote 5, last week.

Mrs. T. M. Evins, of Spartansburg, S. C., is visiting her parents, Col. and Mrs. H. G. Cooper.

Mrs. James Floyd and Master Joe and sweet little Lucy are visiting relatives in Brassfield township.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillery, of Wil mington, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor on Raleigh street.

Saturday from the bedside of her sion was that the express messenger sick father, and glad to learn he was negligent of his duties, but on is convalescent.

ham, and Ruth Conyers, of Youngs-

ville, are the guests of Mrs. C. D. R. W. Lassiter arrived from Washington City Saturday and returned yesterday, and his many

friends were glad to see him. Prof. J. A. Pitts, the most excellent Superintendent of Oxford Graded School, has returned to the county, and was in town Saturday.

McPherson Ferebee, of Montana,

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME RARE CHANCE FOR THE TILLERS OF THE SOIL.

Away a Number of Valuable Prizes.

The success of the recent Mail Cariers' Contest warrants us in launching one for the benefit of the farmers. The three high-grade prizes given in this contest, which Ben Currin, of Route 1, was in begins with this number of the Public Ledger, consists of one twohorse wagon complete and double set of harness for first prize; one sulkey plow or cultivator for second prize, and one set of single wagon harness for third prize. In J S. Watkins, of Cornwall, was selecting the prizes the Public Ledger is eager to put on such useful articles as are always acceptable and in demand by our farmer friend. During the life of this contest the price of the twice-a-week Public Ledger will be one dollar per year, or seventy-five cents for six months.

The rules governing the contest are printed on the fourth page of this paper.

The Public Ledger has reason to feel proud of its already handsome subscription list, but we desire to run it up to the 4,000 mark, and the substantial high grade prizes are given with a view of making the twice-a-week Public Ledger at \$1.00 a year still more popular with the people of Granville county. We will ask every reader to turn to the last page of this paper and carefully read the rules governing the contest. Select out the farmer in your township you desire to see win the capital prize—two-horse wagon complete and double set of harness-and go to work in his interest. We apprehend some friendly rivalry during the contest in ascertaining who is the most popular farmer in each of the nine townships of old Garnville and we will thank every one to eneter into the spirit of the occasion and help us solve the quetion.

Key Causes Fire.

Editors Public Ledger: I note your item in last Friday's ssue, regarding the recent fire in the residence of T. C. Harris. In order that no false impression may be left in the minds of the public regarding the cause of this fire, I ask space for the following explanation: A door-key was found laid across the fuse plugs at the entrance switch which bridged the circuit at this point, causing a 'short circuit." As the only fuses that could out blow and relieve excessive flow of current, were the transformer fuses on the pole and as these were large because the transformer feeds a larger number J. A. Shotwell returned Saturday of customers; the wires from the from a pleasant visit to relatives in point of entering the house to the entrance switch, got very hot and the insulation melted off and the wire burned in two, which opened the circuit and relieved the situation. The wires were not in con-J. T. Grissom and John Dicker-tact with the wood at any point and nothing was burned but the insulation on the wires on this very short run from the point of entrance to the entrance switch.

If the short circuit had occurred anywhere behind the entrance Miss Hettie Lyon has returned switch, the fuses in the house would ed. The whole trouble was caused by using the entrance switch for a door key holder and not from anything defective in the wiring.

Yours very truly, E. G. COUCH.

Oddities of the Parcel Post.

A few days ago one of our undertaking establishments received an order for a small coffin. The parties recieving the coffin expected it to arrive by express, but when it did not make its appearance on the arrival of the train the parties were Mrs. W. B. Ballou returned home in a quandary. The first imprescalling up the undertaker it was Misses Emma Foushee, of Dur- learned that the coffin was sent by parcel post, and advised the parties to call at the post office and get it. The little coffin only weighed eleven pounds.

Nice Furniture.

In speaking of the recent Furniture Exposition held in High Point the Southern Furniture Journal said: "A line that was probably more talked of and admired than any other was that of the International Furniture Company of Oxford. A striking handsome cham-M. Ferebee, after an absence of 6 on maple, consiting of bed, dresser, years and his old friends are glad table, chiffonier, washstand and table of Colonial pattern."