

Help Your Township Man Win Two Horse Wagon and Harness Given by the Public Ledger in Their Great Farmers Contest

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## COMMISSIONERS MEET.

### ROUTINE BUSINESS TRANSACTED.

#### Looking to Placing Sanitary Drinking Fountain in Court House.

The honorable Board of County Commissioners met Monday, September 1st, with the following members present: J. P. Stedman, Chairman; H. C. Floyd, B. I. Beedlove, J. N. Tilley, Z. W. Allen.

Mrs. Miller was granted permission to enter the Home of the Aged and Infirm.

Mrs. Margaret Fuller was ordered placed on the outside pauper list. Dr. Sam D. Booth was re-elected Health Officer at a salary of \$1,100 per annum.

Sheriff S. C. Hobgood presented his bond in the sum of \$20,000, which was approved and accepted.

Ordered that the Chairman deliver the tax books to the Sheriff for collection.

Sheriff S. C. Hobgood was given the collection of the 1912 insolvent list.

Ordered that the Treasurer call on Sheriff Wheeler, Sept. 6th, for \$1,000 to \$1,500 which he agreed to pay.

The report of Will Walters as to the final settlement of 1912 with Sheriff Wheeler was accepted.

A committee was appointed looking to placing a sanitary fountain in the Court House.

J. T. Smith was exempt from road work for 1913.

Chairman Stedman and B. I. Beedlove were appointed a committee to make contract to rebuild the Superintendents house at the Home of the Aged and Infirm.

The Clerk was authorized to notify parties having failed to list their taxes to come before the Board at its next meeting.

#### Mr. Green's House Burned.

T. L. Green, who lives near Providence, had the misfortune to have his residence and all his household and kitchen furniture completely destroyed by fire Wednesday morning about 4 o'clock. Mr. Green, his wife and children were staying at the tobacco barn near by and no one was in the house at the time. When they discovered the fire, the building was completely enveloped in flames and it was too late to save anything. He had \$200 insurance on the house which was built this year. The origin of the fire is thought to have been incendiary.

The Public Ledger greatly sympathize with Mr. Green in his series of misfortunes that have overtaken him in the past few months. In the spring his tobacco crop was beaten down by hail, but he trimmed it up and it took on life and sprouted out again, only to be destroyed again on the same day his house was burned to the ground.

#### A Fine Circus Coming.

It will not be long now until the sweating dappled horses will drag the rumbling vans loaded with heavy circus paraphernalia from the railroad yards to the lot of exhibition. The Downie and Wheeler Shows will be in Oxford, Monday, September 29th, and the town will be filled with eager good natured people who want to see a spanking good parade and show that will chill their blood by daring feats one moment, convulse them with laughter at an army of clowns the next and fill them with wonder the next. This they will get, for the newspapers at other places where the Downie and Wheeler Shows have been are filled with glowing accounts of the monster "Big Top." They say the show is just as advertised and better.

#### Help Him Out.

Of course you want your township man to ride out of Oxford in the new, strong and durable 2-horse wagon with new harness offered as the first prize for subscribers to the Twice-a-week Public Ledger, so it is time for you to get work and help him get votes.

#### An Oxford Visitor.

Miss Hattie Parriott, one of Kingston's fine young ladies, is visiting Miss Mary Shotwell on Asylum st. Miss Parriott has just returned from Buffalo, N. Y., where she attended the International Congress on Hygiene, having been appointed by Gov. Craig as a delegate from this State. She also visited the National Exhibit of Dominion of Canada at Toronto.

## SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS

### GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

#### About People and Things That Are of Interest to Our Readers.

Graham & Devin have moved into their new law offices on Hillsboro street.

You are asked to read the executor's notice of John W. Wheelous in another column.

Another circus coming, boys! It is Downie & Wheeler's, which will be here on the 29th.

The front of the Johnson warehouse is being repainted, which will add to its looks.

The Horner Military School opened Wednesday with a large number of manly young men.

Your attention is called to the administrator's notice of L. T. Elliott in another part of this paper.

B. S. Royster, Commissioner, advertises for sale in another part of this paper the David Brogden land.

We are greatly pleased to learn that our good friend J. G. Shotwell, who has been on the sick list, is better.

We call attention to the sale of Neathery land advertised in another column by B. S. Royster, Commissioner.

Oxford College will open on the 9th and the full capacity of the school will be taxed to take care of the young ladies.

Everybody around Oxford were very busy cleaning up yards and repairing damages wrought by the terrible storm Wednesday.

We take it that the rural route carriers in the county could not make their usual trips Wednesday owing to the terrific storm.

R. S. Usry is to be congratulated upon his quick construction of the Orpheum Theatre, Oxford's attractive and up-to-date play house.

The deluge of wind and water that struck this section Wednesday was unexpected and, so far as heard from, no one in the county was injured.

Read the important change in the Cash Grocery advertisement of Cannady & Alston on another page, and extend these fine young men your patronage.

The tall old red oak tree which caused us to lose a small portion of the attractive porch of the government building withstood Wednesday's giant storm.

Rev. Willis, pastor of the Sanford Baptist Church, will occupy the pulpit of the Oxford Baptist Church to-morrow (Sunday) morning and evening.

As we go to press this Friday morning Oxford has another good break of tobacco and glad to learn that prices are a little stiffer than they were at the opening sale.

Be sure and take in the "Little Millionaire" at new Orpheum Theatre this Friday night and give our progressive young friends, Harris & Crews, a handsome send off.

The farmers of this territory can count on the Oxford buyers and warehousemen paying rafter prices on all grades of tobacco, so bring it along and pocket their money.

Little Miss Margaret Aurelia has arrived at home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Spencer in South Oxford, giving them two girls and two boys to pet. Please to know that mother and little lady are doing well.

On Friday evening last Miss Josephine Brown delightfully entertained the XX Club in honor of Misses Augusta Landis and her house guests, Mary Eloise Manning and Kathleen Turentine, of Durham.

The Twice-a-week Public Ledger continues to increase its circulation among the farmers, and is now read by more than ten thousand people a week, which makes it the most valuable advertising medium in this section. Try it and see Mr. Business man!

A special Communication of Oxford Lodge, No. 396, A. F. & A. M., will be held in their Hall Monday night for work in the Third Degree. All members will consider this a due and legal notice and attend if possible. By order of Worshipful Master.—T. S. Waller, Sec.

## VICTORY FOR MEADOWS

### OXFORD'S TWIRLER HELD RALEIGH DOWN.

#### An Oxford Boy Carves His Name on the Walls of Fame.

(News and Observer, Sept. 2d.) Lee Meadows, a young Oxford man, who pitched ball for the Horner team, and later attached his name too a Durham contract, yesterday carved his name on the walls of the hall of fame and made his heart bulge with pride, and set Durham's entire population wild with joy by his feat of pitting sixteen innings against Raleigh without allowing a score, that number of frames being divided into two ball games.

While Lee was pitching the article of ball that made every college player ever facing him tremble with fear, and also made the Twins and other players work their heads off to solve his delivery upon several occasions, the Bulls were having a perfect feast off the offerings of four Raleigh twirlers, Adams, Jarman, Mack and Myers.

The result of the combine work, was Raleigh's double defeat yesterday by the Bulls, by the scores of 14 to 0 and 5 to 0, the second contest being of seven innings duration. Last night every fan in Raleigh, and even perhaps thousands all over the State, were asking the question, "What was the matter?" and even some few dared to suggest that the Capitals gave the games to Durham. No, readers, there was no laying down. The truth of the matter is that the Capitals couldn't solve Mr. Meadows' delivery. Yes, the same reason why other clubs have not been able to do much with his benders and shoots. It is true that Meadows had beaten Raleigh but upon one other occasion opening day of the season, but Meadows had two things uppermost in his mind yesterday. He wanted to defeat Raleigh and wanted that sweet revenge for his previous failures to do so. He had everything essential for a pitcher to win. His fast ball had a well-nigh perfect hop, his curves broke beautifully, and above all, his control was perfect. For sixteen innings he didn't issue a single pass, cut loose a wild pitch or hit a batsman.

On the other hand while the Bulls were hitting like fiends and Meadows was going like a burning house, the Capitals put up one of the worst exhibitions of playing seen on the local diamond this year. During the first game, slow fielding, errors, and senseless movements, played a big part in their playing. Durham took advantage of every false move and profited thereby. In the second game, the locals didn't show any signs of life and there was plenty of reason.

#### Tomato Trees.

The two tomato trees in the garden of D. N. Hunt are a wonder to the many who go to see the sight. They now measure ten feet in height. One has five stobs or poles for the vine to climb on and the last planted is about fifteen feet in height. The passer-by looks on these trees with amazement and people come from far and near to see them. One lady from Richmond declared she had never seen any thing like it. Letters are being received from parties wanting fruit from these vines and one shipment has been made. These trees will be exhibited at our County Fair.

#### Sad Case of Suicide.

Harcourt Blacknall, of Kittrell, was killed by a pistol shot Saturday night. Friends had been hunting for him since he was missed that evening. They found the body Tuesday morning in the field near the home of his brother, Harry Blacknall, shot through the middle of the forehead. His pistol was lying at his feet. At the inquest held Tuesday Coroner D. W. Hardee, of Henderson, and the physician agreed. And the finding was "death by suicide." He was a nice, handsome young fellow about 20 years old and there is no known cause for the deed. His mother and family are prostrated with deep grief and there is great sympathy felt for them.

WARNING—I hereby warn all persons not to hire or harbor one said Otis Chavis, who has left my employment without cause. EDDIE DEAN.

## WIND AND RAIN STORM

### BLOWING DIRECTLY FROM CAPE HATTERAS.

#### The Tobacco Growers of Granville Suffer a Heavy Loss.

A thirty-five mile wind storm, accompanied by a terrific down-pour of rain, entered and swept down through Granville from the northeast Wednesday, and so violent was the storm that many people believed that nature had lost the reckoning and that the semi-annual dividend of nature had been declared instead of September 21st. The storm was of equinoctial proportions and came from Cape Hatteras.

Of course no accurate estimate of the damage to the tobacco crop can be made at this time, but it is very great, and many of the farmers with whom we have conferred claimed that a fourth of their unsaved crop is a loss.

The storm as it came in from the sea seems to have been about 100 miles wide, completely enveloping Granville county and doing much damage to crops and trees in all parts of the county.

The intensity of the storm was the greatest from twelve to two o'clock, but by three o'clock its fury had been spent, but the rain fell all the afternoon. Many trees in Oxford were up-rooted and the streets were literally besprinkled with twigs, leaves and limbs from the big trees. It is conceded by all that it is the heaviest storm to visit Oxford and Granville county in twenty-five years.

The Public Ledger extends sympathy to the farmers, some of whom have suffered the effects of two storms during the season. It is understood that the fodder was greatly damaged, cutting short the provender for the cattle.

#### Creedmoor Social Events.

The beautiful modern home of Mrs. R. H. Whitfield, situated on the suburbs of Creedmoor, was the scene of the most enjoyable event of the season, on Tuesday, when Mrs. R. H. Whitfield charmingly entertained the "Young Set" in honor of Miss Fredda Bragg, of Durham, and Miss Ruby Lyon, of Chase City. The guests arrived at 8:30, and were met in the reception hall by Miss Etha Whitfield, gowned in blue messaline, with chiffon trimmings. A beautiful color scheme of pink and white was carried out in the hall. Promptly at 10 o'clock the guests, conducted by Mrs. R. H. Whitfield, repaired to lawn where tables were arranged and refreshments partaken with rare enjoyment. "Progressive conversation" was the game of the evening. The utmost appreciation was felt and expressed by all, at leaving for the elegant entertainment and hospitality of the hostess. Those present were as follows: Miss Ruby Lyon, of Chase City; Miss Fredda Bragg, of Durham; Misses Pearl Moss, Mae Moss, Burma Hester, Etha Whitfield, Zelia Tingen, and Fannie Mitchell; Messrs. John Roberts, Walter Moss, Jones Moss, Elma Mangum, Roy Mangum, John Garner, Bryan Garner, Sam Alex Fleming, Jr., of Batavia, N. Y.; Garland Bullock, Hugh Whitfield, Watts Lyon and Z. E. Lyon.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the season was given one evening last week by Z. E. Lyon, at his home in Creedmoor. Every thing possible was done by the host and those present to make the occasion an enjoyable one and those who had the pleasure of being there vouch for its success. Those present were as follows: Misses Ruby Lyon, Kathleen Moss, Irene Vincent, Mable Vincent, Fleda Bragg, Burma Hester, Iris Chappel, Fleda Lyon, Julia Bartlet, Matilda Bartlet, Lois Rogers, May Moss, Pattie Moss, Huldah Wheeler, Lou Jeffries, Annie Garner, Myrtle Fagan, Etha Whitfield, Ruth Sanderford, Josie Freeman and Messrs. John Rogers, Jim Moran, Vester Keith, Harvey Sanderford, Roy Mangum, Eddie Lawrence, Henry Bullock, Mordie Chappel, Claudie Chappel, Fred Moss, Marvie Jones, Walter Moss, Bryan Garner, John Garner, Tom Moss, Herbert Moss, Leon Lyon, Lee Jones and Hugh Whitfield.

We are requested to announce that ice cream will be sold by the Enon Philathea Class on the church grounds Friday night, September 12th, from 6 to 10 o'clock, and you are invited to attend.

## MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE.

### SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

#### Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends In General.

A. J. Dickerson, of Route 3, was in town Friday.

Sam Robards, of Northside, was in Oxford Friday.

Richard Harris, of Route 3, was in town Tuesday.

W. C. Breedlove, of Route 3, was in town Thursday.

Rev. Skinner Lassiter is visiting relatives in Oxford.

J. T. Averett, of Route 6, was in town Thursday.

Fred Currin and son, of Route 1, were in town Wednesday.

Raymond Hunt, of Salem township, was in town Thursday.

Roy Crews has returned to Oxford to clerk for the winter.

Oscar Gregory, of Richmond, was on our tobacco market Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Gillis, of Stovall, were in Oxford Tuesday.

Miss Ellen Brown has returned from a visit to friends in Raleigh.

Miss Mary Stanton, of Franklinton, is the guest of Mrs. Ed Long.

R. D. Holeman and S. J. Hudgins, of Stem, were in Oxford Friday.

W. D. Vaughan and Geo. Hedgpeth, of Lyon, were in town Friday.

Miss Lorane Joyner enjoyed the week end with relatives in Creedmoor.

Miss Lizzie Gooch en route from Baltimore to Lumberton is at home for a few days.

Alfred Frazier and two sons, of Northern Granville, were on the tobacco market Thursday.

Edna Crews, of Route 5, spent the week end in Durham with her cousin, Miss Ethel Breedlove.

Oscar Breedlove returned a few days ago from northern cities where he purchased the fall stock of goods for Perkinson-Green Co.

Misses Ruth White, of Stovall, and Inez Hester, of Chase City, Va., spent the week end with Miss Perkinson on Rectory street.

Mrs. J. T. Shotwell and daughter, Dorothy, of Vance county, enjoyed Wednesday and Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Shotwell.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Skinner, of Kentucky, arrived in Oxford a few days ago and are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hall. Mr. Skinner is the buyer on this market for the W. A. Adams Co.

#### Great Interest to Farmers.

We want every farmer to read the advertisement of Horner Bros. Co. on the last page as it is of special interest to them just now. This firm has on hand a large supply of seeds, and with the destruction of the fodder by the storm it is important that they sow more grain and clover than ever.

#### The Honor Rolls.

We wish to inform the teachers of Granville that it has been a pleasure to us to publish the honor rolls of the schools as we love to contribute to the happiness of the bright boys and girls, and ask that they send them in to us at the end of each month. Don't forget it as it will help you in your noble work.

#### Will Send Paper Free.

If there is any old Confederate Veteran in the county who is not able to take the Public Ledger if they will send us their name and route we will send it to them with pleasure Free of Charge. It also applies to widows of Confederate soldiers. Don't hesitate to send in your name as we want you to read your county paper.

#### Billiard Match.

The score in the Pocket Billard Match played at King's billiard parlor last Monday and Tuesday nights was a walkover for Malone, the champion. Monday night he defeated two players, Waverly Harris and Moses King, 100 to 49. Tuesday night Mr. Fleming was the victim by a score of 100 to 39. Fleming led at the end of third frame 29 to 14. Large crowds witnessed both games.

## GOOD OLD GRANVILLE.

### THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE COUNTY.

#### Much Depends Upon the Initial Direction Given to the Minds of the People.

The good name, as well as the substantial prosperity of Granville county, is indissolubly associated with, and depends upon the initial direction given to the minds of the young. Care on the one hand, neglect on the other, bring forth responsive fruit to tell in after years in the grateful form of public virtue and enlightenment, or in the melancholy spectacle of public vice or popular ignorance and abasement. That the school system of our county is in excellent hands, and that the minds of the young are being properly trained and directed, is the greatest factor in the up-building and prosperity of the county. In considering the rapid strides along educational lines there is another element that enters into the developing and maintaining our highest ideals.

It will be conceded without question that the influence of climate on human progress is supreme, because its happy or adverse conditions affects all that relates to comfort, health, energy and success in the occupations of life. The growth of many productions of nature are closed against the efforts of industry by unfavorable climatic conditions, an excess of heat and moisture and an air poisoned with miasma, leading to loss of vigor, health or life itself. As to climate, we occupy the vantage-ground of the golden mean, inclining somewhat to the warmer side. It is neither too hot or too cold. The conditions, so far as they relate to the proportions of heat and cold, are just those which afford an easy comfortable living from the opportunities to work throughout the entire year.

The balmy atmosphere and pure water of old Granville has had the effect of producing a distinct hardy, conservative, law-abiding people, who are the equal of the old Scotch or Huguenots race for fidelity. With such a ground-work, Granville occupies a unique position. The hills, in their graceful curving outlines, presents lines of beauty with which the eye of taste is never satisfied; the homes everywhere indicate a high degree of thrift and comfort, an unusual proportion of them in these later days are built in modern style and tastefully painted—nestling amid yards and gardens, flanked with orchards, in which a space is generally allotted to choice grape vines, and which give abundant proof of ease, plenty, and, in many instances, of no small degree of luxury.

With the expansion of education, which is now well-rooted, old Granville is predestined to come into her own at no distant date. The extent of progress in the industries and the manufactures; the extension of agriculture; the widening of remunerative truck fields, etc. With regard to fact, there are many things that point with unerring conviction to the fact that old Granville presents an inviting field to the investor or to the home-seeker. The county is capable of supporting a population of two hundred thousand people.

#### Big Circus Coming.

This Saturday, September 6th, will be a day of fun, music, excitement and joy for the children. Sanger's Greater European Shows will pitch their acres of tents in Oxford and give performances afternoon and evening. The show will arrive by its own special trains at daybreak, and the town will be alive with bustle, strangers, elephants, fine horses, gold and glitter. Circus day is very dear to the hearts of the people, and is a real boon to the rank and file of humanity. It chases away the clouds from the troubled mind and relieve the strain of this work-a-day world. Let us bid it welcome to our town, and entertain and be entertained by this typical American institution. Two performances will be given, at 2 and 8 p. m. There will be a splendid street parade in the morning.

CLOVER SEED, turnip seed, rape seed and other field seed all best grade. J. G. HALL. 6t.

TURNIP SEED of all kinds but only one grade. The best. J. G. HALL. 6t.