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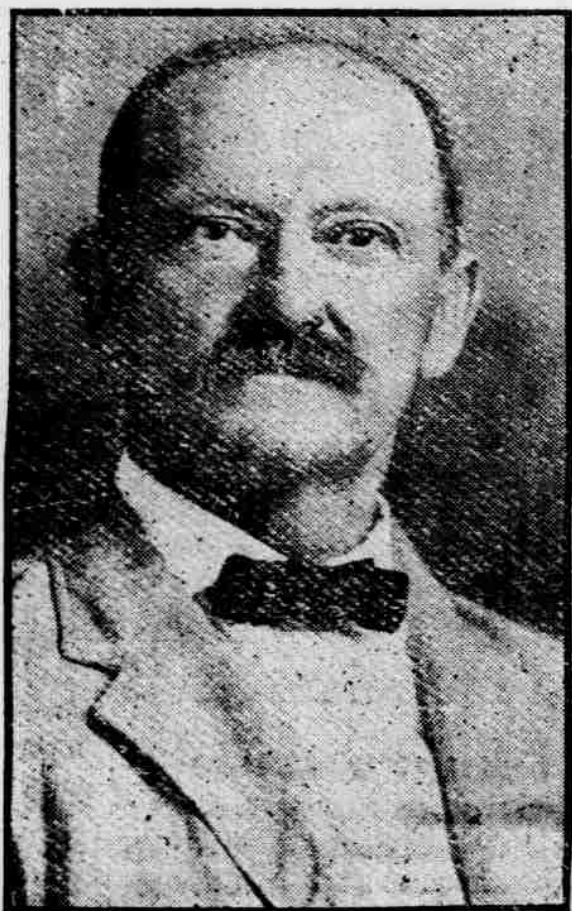
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ROBERT HART IS DEAD. SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS. MERCHANTS WILL CLOSE. A SERIOUS DIFFICULTY. MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE. HIGH AND LOW PRICES.

DIES SUDDENLY OF APPOPLEXY

Interment at Salem Methodist Church Thursday Afternoon

Bob Hart is dead! The news means the final drying-up, so far as human life on earth goes, of a fountain of cheerfulness. His abounding good feelings, touched at times by a contrasting quantity



of spirit, made him a most lovable man. He was 59 years of age.

Mr. Hart was one of the best and cleverest men we ever knew, for he had all the charm and graces of a high-toned, big-hearted christian gentleman, and the sweetest courtesy and the most delightful affability marked all of his dealings with his fellowmen. Wearing at all times the beautiful garland of highest integrity and purest honor and truth he left a record as pure and as stainless as the glimmer of a sunbeam.

On Wednesday evening after he had auctioneered the last pile of tobacco and was getting ready to start for home, he greeted us on the street with his usual smile. There was not a symptom of a pain or anything to detract from his usual good spirits until he got up from the supper table at six o'clock complaining that he had a slight headache. He lay down upon the sofa and gradually grew worse, Dr. Thomas reaching him in a short while, but his life slowly and surely ebbed away and the angel of death hentered noiselessly within the same hour and accompanied his spirit to the other side.

Bob Hart was better known to the tobacco world of Granville county. He was one of the best farmers in the county and worked diligently on his farm during the summer and auctioneered tobacco at the Farmer's Warehouse during the tobacco season. He was one of the very best auctioneers to be found anywhere and his place will be hard to fill.

The deceased was a steward in the Salem Methodist church. He married the daughter of Mr. B. I. Breedlove, Commissioner of Granville county, and a sister of Messrs. Calvin and Oscar Breedlove, of Oxford. He is survived by a wife, five sons and two daughters.

The funeral and burial took place from Salem church Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. L. H. Joyner, pastor of the deceased, Upchurch & Curran having charge of the remains. As a mark of esteem the entire country-side and many from Oxford were present to see his body laid to rest in the churchyard, the funeral being the largest attended of any in history of the county.

Active pall bearers—J. S. King, J. P. Patterson, W. A. McFarland, J. E. Ellis, C. H. Easton, J. B. Powell, and the honorary pall bearers were the members of the Oxford Tobacco Board of Trade.

In the passing of Mr. Hart many hearts are saddened and hundreds of admiring friends share with the bereaved family the loss of one who was near and dear to them.

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

Be sure and read the advertisement of Orange Trust Company on the last page

Thanksgiving and Christmas are looming up and Santa Claus will soon be abroad in the land.

Give advertising in the Twice-a-week Public Ledger a fair trial and you will need no argument as to its worth.

The attention of chicken raisers is called to the chicken food advertisement of Taylor Brothers on the last page.

The friends of Josiah Cannady are glad to see him able to be out on the streets again after his long sickness.

Some of our town people have been enjoying some mighty good corn shucking suppers in the country this week.

Tobacco continues to roll in on the Oxford market, and splendid averages are made to the joy of the farmers pocket.

J. C. Adecek, of Tar River, sold a load of tobacco a few days ago at Johnson warehouse for \$20, 32.50, 57.50, 30, 20.50.

Do you want to buy a house and lot in West Oxford? If you do why read the advertisement of C. A. Ragland on the last page.

We regret to learn of the illness of our old friend J. S. Eakes, of Oak Hill township, and wish him a rapid restoration to health.

C. L. Floyd, of Route 3, laid on our table a sweet potato that had been kept dry with a number of sprouts with small leaves on them.

Bob Hunt, an industrious colored farmer on Route 4, cultivated 5000 tobacco hills, which he sold Wednesday at the Banner warehouse for \$275.

Trustees, Commissioners, Executors and administrators of estates who want the largest number of people to see their advertisements should place them in the Public Ledger.

Mrs. Gresham, the matron of the Horner school, was called home by telegram announcing the serious illness of her brother. She left Thursday morning accompanied by her little son.

If some men drove a horse like they drive an automobile they would soon have no horse and no buggy, yet they abuse the maker of the machine for not making it stronger and more durable.

Business men can reach the buying public in Granville and adjoining counties better through the columns of the Twice-a-week Public Ledger than in any other way. Advertising rates are reasonable.

As we go to press this Friday at noon our warehouses are enjoying a large break of tobacco and pineapple prices are all the go. Sell the rest of your crop in Oxford and your pocket book will "laugh and grow fat."

We have been asked by several ladies to call attention of the Mayor to the nonenforcement of two of the dead town ordinances—cursing on the streets and spitting on the sidewalks—and ask if it is possible for him to have them revived and enforced.

We call the special attention of those in need of good horses and mules to the advertisement of Nelson & Watkins, horse dealers, on another page. Mr. Nelson arrived from Richmond Thursday morning with a nice load and they are ready for your inspection.

WANTED—Young lady to act as telephone operator, pleasant work with good chance for promotion. Apply to Chief Operator, Oxford Exchange.

WILL CHASE "MOLLIE COTTON TAIL"

Thanksgiving Day Affords Needed Rest and Recreation

We the undersigned merchants of Oxford, hereby agree to close our several stores on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 1913:

J. J. Medford, J. M. Ellington, J. F. White Co., Upchurch & Curran, D. C. Hunt, Landis & Easton, The Long Co., Perkinson Green Co. Taylor Bros., S. Nassef & Co., Cannady & Alston, Acme Hardware Co., Cohn & Soa, Howell Bros., Horner Bros Co., Oxford Hardware Co., J. D. Brooks, R. S. Montague, Hughes-Snaw Furniture Co., Breedlove & McFarland, Pitchford & Co., J. T. Sizemore, Long-Winston Co., J. Robt. Wood, L. Thomas.

The Best Year

It is a pleasure to us to learn that the Oxford Orphanage continues to prosper under the wise and practical management of Superintendent R. L. Brown, as it has just closed the most successful year since the beloved John Mills established this great Orphans' Home.

Big Sale of Tobacco.

George Parham and C. G. Mangum, two fine farmers of the Salem neighborhood, made a good record last week selling tobacco. Mr. Parham sold a one mule load for the big sum of \$727, and Mr. Mangum sold 300 lbs of his load for \$67.50 per hundred. The sales were made by Parham & Parham at Farmers' warehouse.

That Thanksgiving Dinner.

Everybody loves to set down to a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner and if the housekeepers will refer to Taylor Brothers advertisement on the eighth page they will have no trouble in selecting their menu, as they have just received a choice line of all kinds of good things to tempt the appetite. Make out your order today and send it in and avoid the rush.

Gen. Royster is The Man.

Madison Herald says: Warm times are just ahead in the Imperial Fifth Congressional District and predicts that when the smoke clears away she will have a live, up-to-date Congressman in Washington who will be heard from by the country and who will be a true representative of Fifth District Democracy. Well Brother join us in nominating B. S. Royster, and your prediction will come true.

The Episcopal Bazaar.

The Episcopal Ladies had ideal weather for their Annual Bazaar, which proved a fine success. It was held Wednesday and Thursday. The fancy article booth was supplied with beautiful attraction which netted a handsome profit. The dining room was bountifully supplied with turkey, quail, oysters and choice cakes and cream. A fine success financially rewarded the efforts of the noble women.

Beautiful Goods.

The Hamilton Drug Co. has commenced to get ready for the holiday trade and is now receiving a beautiful selection of goods suitable for Christmas presents. Mr. Hamilton selected this choice line with a great deal of care and feel sure will have a big trade to the coming season. Remember that you can also have your prescriptions carefully compounded at this excellent drug store.

Another Big Crop.

S. F. Crews, who lives over the line in Vance county, comes to the front on raising tobacco. He sold this season his crop of tobacco numbering 17,500 hills for \$1,872.52, average for the entire crop was \$43.35. The highest barn averaged \$52.25 round, 566 pounds selling for \$70 per hundred. This is what we call a fine record, and extend congratulations to Mr. Crews.

AN UNFORTUNATE AFFAIR AT WILTON

Two Young Men Became Involved in a Dispute

We learn that Jessie Mitchell and Leland Jenkins, to cousins, met at Gooch Bros. store at Wilton Saturday night, and got into a dispute about some matter, when Mitchell became offended at Jenkins. In a short time young Mitchell left the store and was standing on the outside when Jenkins came out. He immediately attacked Jenkins with his knife, cutting him very badly across his right arm. Medical aid was summoned and the ugly wound was looked after. Jenkins had to remain in the store until Monday, and then was taken home. It was an unfortunate affair, and we are glad to learn that young Jenkins is doing very well.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting at the Oxford Baptist church next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock with a view of deciding on a call of a pastor. Every member of the church is urged to be present promptly at the above hour.

For Men Only

There is a good deal of interest centered at the men's meeting to be held in the Orpheum Theatre at 3.30 Sunday afternoon, led by Dr. A. L. Phillips, of Richmond. Dr. Phillips can come as near getting close to men in a gentle way as any one we know of. A male quartette will sing.

"Let the Two Willies Do It"

One of the most important mile stones in a person's life is a square meal. In order to whet your appetite look at the many good things Cannady & Alston—The Two Willies—announce for Thanksgiving on the last page of this paper. And what is good on Thanksgiving is good all the year round.

More Fine Stock

Everybody is interested more or less in fine horses and mules. Horner Bros Co. have just received a car load of the best stock that it has been our pleasure to see for some time. There is nothing fancy about this car load of stock, but they are the kind of horses and mules that the farmer need. See ad elsewhere in this paper.

Personal Items

Miss Fannie Webb has as her guests Miss Ruth Ivey and Mrs. S. R. Norris, of Raleigh.

George Walters and J. P. Walters, of Tally Ho, were on our tobacco market Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, of Stovall, accompanied by their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Gilfrey, of Washington City, were Oxford visitors Thursday.

FOR SALE—Cabbage plants, Extra and Selected Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston or large Wakefield and May Queen, 20 cents per hundred, \$1.50 per thousand. Prices on large lots on application. Apply to Oxford Orphan Asylum. 4t.

LOST—Small bundle containing black chignon waist. Finder rewarded. Mrs. Hillman Cannady.

DOG LOST—On last Friday, November 14th, one setter, color dark smutty, near Woodlief's mill, Walnut Grove Township. Answers to the name of Frank. Any information leading to his whereabouts will be liberally rewarded. T. R. Curran, Oxford, Route 6. 1t pd

GOOD THINGS for Thanksgiving—Pitchford & Co. have just received a fresh lot of fruits and fancy groceries to help you enjoy your Thanksgiving. Let them fill your orders. 2t-pd

FOR SALE—A good family horse. Safe for women and children to drive. Apply to R. W. Brown, Oxford, N. C.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends in General!

T. R. Curran, of Route 6, was in town Friday.

Zack Allen, of Providence, was in town Friday.

John Ragan, of Route 5, was in town Wednesday.

J. H. Tillotson, of Route 2, was in town Friday.

J. T. Cozart, of Route 3, was in town Thursday.

A. Frazier, of Route 2, was in town Thursday.

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

Mr. Connell, of Tar River, was in town Thursday.

R. L. Eakes, of Route 2, was in Oxford Wednesday.

W. A. Hester, of Hester, was on our streets Thursday.

Walter Dean, of Providence, was in Oxford Thursday.

Joe Adcock, of Tar River, was in Oxford Wednesday.

L. E. Critcher, of Route 3, was on our streets Thursday.

M. L. Coley, of Green's, was a town visitor Thursday.

R. H. O'Brien, of Route 5, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Walter Averett, of Providence, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Titus Curran, of Route 6, was in town Wednesday.

Ira Day, of Route 1, was in town Thursday selling tobacco.

Jack Overton, of Route 2, was a town visitor Wednesday.

W. W. Adcock, of Route 4, was a town visitor Wednesday.

B. F. Farabow, of Stem, was on tobacco market Wednesday.

Macon Hobgood, of Route 4, was on tobacco market Thursday.

J. T. Humphrey, of Moriah, was on tobacco breaks Thursday.

Graham Smith, of Tar River, was on Friday's tobacco breaks.

D. M. Melton, of Route 3 Stem, was on our streets Saturday.

Will Daniel, of Virgilina, Va., was on our streets Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Parker have returned from a visit to Richmond.

Mr. Lakel has returned from a three weeks' visit to Pittsburg, Pa.

J. C. Yeargan, of South Granville, was on tobacco market Friday.

T. H. Jones, of Culbreth section, was in Oxford Thursday selling tobacco.

Watt Elam, of Buffalo Junction, Va., was on our tobacco market Friday.

Mr. and E. T. Ball and son, of Fairport, were Oxford shoppers on Wednesday.

Badger Rogers, one of Creedmoor's live merchants, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Daniel, of Tar River section, were Oxford shoppers Wednesday.

Charles Speed and brother, of Wilton section, were on large break of tobacco Friday.

T. W. Burch, Route 1, returned a few days ago from a visit to his brother at Rowland.

J. B. Thomas and Muke Coley, of Stem section, were in town yesterday selling tobacco.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holeman, of Sandford, attended the funeral of the lamented Bob Hart.

Mrs. W. H. Chzek, of Henderson, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Hall, on Gilliam street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hicks attended the marriage of Col. Sidney Minor at Columbia, S. C., Thursday.

GOOD AND INDIFFERENT PRICES

Rambling Thoughts About Things Past and Present

To the Public Ledger—

Bro. Farmer, how about prices of your tobacco now; it looks as if things are coming our way, doesn't it? Let's see how many are going to profit by it. I contend that it is going to be a disadvantage as a whole. Some will profit by it, no doubt, but alas, how about the masses? I have been offering my neighbors seed wheat, who have not been sowing, for a dollar a bushel to induce them to sow and to my astonishment not one accepted my proposition. I see they are selling seed wheat in Oxford, not as good as mine, for a dollar and a half. It has been demonstrated that our lands can be made to produce as much as any in the union. I made over twenty to one this year and expect to do the same next year or more, for I have made better preparations; I also talked with Dr. Morris who is good authority on any farm product and also invited him to spend a night with me, I never talk with him five minutes that I did not learn something, and if you fail to sow wheat you had better talk with him also. My nearest neighbor and I have a drill and a reaper and we sow every year, wet or dry, hot or cold and neither of us know anything about buying flour. Last year during that dry spell I had to buy some flour, for the water mills couldn't grind. My wife had asked me time and again to buy some flour for company's sake, for it was so much whiter than ours. The groceryman said when I bought it, "Mr. Crews, it is the best flour that ever was in your house." I said I doubt that very much. One morning Annie said to me, "Pa, when do you think it will rain?" I see no prospect of it, Annie, why do you ask about rain? I never was as tired of anything in my life as I am of that bought flour and I haven't heard anything of white flour since. I have never had a case of appendicitis in my family, and if home raised flour will prevent it I never will. My son, a colored man, his wife and I cut, tied and shocked 77 bushels in one day and got through by half hour by sun. Talk about can't afford to raise wheat is all tom rot. When the wheat was ready for hauling up I tried to hire some one to help son and I but could not, so I said to my twin daughters that had just gotten back from college, "Get in your every-days and come and help us haul the wheat, and by noon we had all but one load ready for the gin. I sold three bushels the other day for \$1.25 per bushel. Now I am going to send that money to my daughters for helping me. They are in college now and will remain until they finish and when they get home next June they will be glad to help me haul again. Brother and sister teach your children to work, it will do you and them both good. I lost my wife at noon day when she was needed worst. The sun went down and left me with nine children. I wished I had never been born, the responsibility was so great, but I faced it like a man. Time went on and after a few years two girls were large enough to enter college. I was fixing to make arrangements for the older one to go. I saw tears in the younger one's eyes. I said, "what is the matter Annie?" "I want to go, having been father and mother both." It got next to me, so I said, "hold on I will see if I can't get some work for you both to do, so I will not have such a heavy bill. I saw the president of the college and made arrangements for them to wait on the table. Some woman in the neighborhood told them they would be looked down on for taking a servants place. The older of the two came to me

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