STORM STRIKES OXFORD

PUBLIC CTILITIES PUT OUT OF COMMISSION FOR THE TIME BEING

A storm of considerable severity struck this section early Sunday morning. The accumulation of heavy ice bent the top of trees to the ground and snapped electric light and telegraph poles. The Carolina Power & Light Company went out of commission at six o'clock Sunday evening. Those dependent upon it for power and light were placed at a great disadvantage. In total darkness all Sunday night and not a wheel moving all day Monday the Public Ledger suffered a delay. The little old electric plant of former days, with its tin whistle, proved to be more reliable in time of storm than the long wires of the Carolina Power & Light Company.

We are glad that it is no worse than it is, but we feel that the conditions will remain the same a long time if the public utilities do not string heavier wires or are made to suffer their propotional part of the expense caused by de-

THOSE BONDS

To Carry the Issue a Complete Understanding Will be Necessary

The funny part of it is that some one has said that he is in favor of the \$100,000 bond issue, but was dubious about the expenditure of the money. There is a growing sentiment apparent in Oxford that some change in the system of administration of the town's affairs is needed. Just what plan would be best has not been determined by any considerable number of people, if indeed there are any who feel that they could suggest an ideal plan. Upon the passage of the bond bill the Public Ledger would suggest that Mayor Stem appoint a committee composed of not less than twenty-five representatives citizens to act as an advisory board to meet with the Board of Commissioners and lay before the people a comprehensive plan of improving the streets. Of course there will be a mass meeting later, followed by an election. We believe that if there is a thorough understanding of the bond measure and its purport when the Court House bell rings, the voters who attend the mass meeting will be of one opinion. If there is no concerted action and agreement as to how, where and when the money shall be placed it is hardly worth while to

If we are corectly informed the people are not willing to take any risk in the expenditure of so large a bulk of money, and without laying the blame at any man's door, they are like the fellow from Missouri-"Show me."

vote upon the measure.

MR. LASSITER BUYS GUARRY

Men Engaged Now in Getting It In Shape. Will Employ About 100 Men

The Wendell Times says: "R. G. Lassiter, of Oxford, has bought the rock quarry property which is located about one mile east of here on the railroad and has a number of men here getting it in shape to begin operation. The Granita Quarry between here and Knightsdale is also operated by Mr. Lassiter."

The Commercial Club

We are glad to see that the Oxford Commercial Club under the new presidency of Mr. A. A. Powell is taking en new life and we think it will be heard from a good many times this he a winner if more of its time was devoted to the study of the welfare of Oxford and Granville county instead of the pleasure of its members.

Continues to Improve

We are much pleased to learn that Mrs. Calvin Bredlove continues to improve from her serious attack of

Preaching at Tar River Sunday afternoon by Rev. Tatum.

Farmers' Union

The Farmers' Union will hold a meeting at Tar River Saturdty evenpresent.

SAMULL DIVIS

so what's the use to worry, it does better results. To do this would imno good. Buy your implements from prove their judicial capacities and Davis, and you will soon be on easy better qualified them to deal out jusstreet Samuel Davis, Clarksville, Va. tice.

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

Happenings That are of Interest to The People Rejoice in the Wisdom of Thear Financial Conditions' Gives the Many Readers Of the Public Ledger.

The Land of Liberty This is the land of liberty, but it is nostly mud.

Above the Slush The cry above the slush of the

wheels may be heard: "Oh, for better roads and streets!"

Seldom Heard Now As the automobiles are mud bound ou seldom hear the cut out nuisance long with the honk of the horns.

The Business Smile Let us learn to smile now, less we laugh too much when the busy season

Gone to Housekeeping Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shaw have rented the Taylor Cottage on Asylum street and have commenced to keep

house Death of Child The death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Edwards Sunday and claimed their sweet little

The Physical Connection The question of the physical connection of the two railroads entering Oxford is again mooted, and we wonder if anything will grow out of it

this time. The Old-Fashioned Gentleman The old-fashioned gentleman who carires his wife's letters in his inside pocket and forgets to mail them was

the goods on him. Will Make His Home Here The many friends of Mr. Elvin Mangum, of Creedmoor, who resigned his position at the close of the year, will be glad to know that he has re-

discovered in Oxford Saturday with

turned to the Lyon-Winston Co. Lyon Drug Store Improvements are still being made in this popular store on College street, as Mr. Frank Lyon is having a new prescription department put in and of course the popular Baldy

Williams is quite happy. Will be Pulled Down As soon as the weather will permit the charred building on Main street will be pulled down to make room for a brick building as it can not be replaced by a wooden building in the

fire district. **Educational Rally** Dr. Hill, of the A. & M. College,

will deliver an address at the Court House at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. It is desired that as many farmers as can will avail themselves of heaaring this noted speaker.

"Felt Up For the Ground' On account of the sleet Monday morning it is said quite a number of people, as the saying goes: "Felt up for the ground," and after getting up looked around to see if anybody saw

them slip down. Repaired and Pulled Down Mr. C. W. Bryan has repaired the brick garage occupied by Mr. Sam Booth, which was partly burned some time ago, and has also relieved the town of an old "eye sore" by pulling down the old sheds in the rear of the

New Ordinance

building.

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Oxford. That it shall be unlawful for any person to skate with roller skates, or to roll any iron tire or wheel upon any side walk of the Town of Oxford. Any person violating this ordinance shall be fined \$1.00 for each offense.

10,000, 000 Pounds

Some of the tobacco men tell us that Oxford will sell close on to ten praise of this most delightful play. It million pounds of tobacco out of the says: crop, but as to money value will fall short on this market about \$750,000, as compared with the crop of 1913 in quality and prices. It is estimated year. This fine organization would that our banks will pay out this season \$1.250,000.

Scenes of His Youth Mr. Chas. T. Wood and son, of Port Richmond, N. Y., are on a visit the Staten Island News and Indepen-pleasing manner." There will be preaching at the dent and we are glad that his lines

Justice sof the Peace We have thought for some time that Justices of the Peace could beting. All members are urged to be ter serve our county and our State if they had an organization whereby they could get together, know each other personally, have heart to heart Times are getting better and we are talks about the troubles they encounness and steady growing all the time, themselves as to the best way to get

HEARTY APPROVAL

The Board of Health and the Protection Assured.

The election of Dr. B. K. Hays as filled the place for which it was de-building.

is that Dr. Hays would give his valu- tutions gives added confidence as to able time to the county, but great as their future strength and stability. he is, he has answered the call of duty.

der his watchful care. The older the future of town and county.

folks will be advised what to do and PLAYING A GOOD PART what not to do. His word should be law and everybody should be anxious efficiency of the Reserve Bank system to obey. Remember that wherever is being justified by the results. A shall have our hearty support in his Francisco \$860. Of the total of \$12.

great undertaking. DR. SAM BOOTH RETIRES

and learned as few men are in his agricultural paper. profession, he brought to the officer of county superintendent of health a superior knowledge. We feel that the people of Granville wish him many more years of usefulness

BROUGHT TO JUSTICE

Chief Williford Takes Henry Amos Into Custody

On Friday last the Henderson police for one James Atkinson, colored, who and made his escape.

he later consented to go to the lock- bacco market." up. The colored man's idea in comfreight train and make his way to Richmond.

The boys who saw the Chief make the arrest characterize it as a neat piece of work, averring that he was perfectly cool when he discovered the physiological moment.

"THE PRINCE OF TONIGHT"

Coming to the Orpheum Next Tuesday

The Winston Journal is loud in its

"The Prince of Tonight" is one of the best plays that has been in Winston-Salem for a long time. The scenery was all that could be desired and

cast large and splendidly costumed. Tom Arnold, as the "Prince," posupon the audience as the play pro- mistake in returning them. Mr. Moss gressed, and came in for frequent pro- states that he will make no charge to Oxford. Mr. Wood is an old Ox-core. Vera La Vere is one of the Every farmer should avail himself of ford boy and worked on the Torch- handsomest female workers on the this generous offer. and it will be light 35 years ago, and took rather a stage. Her beauty and ease of mandisagreeable time to visit the scenes ner quickly made her a favorite. of his youth. About only two men Frank Harsh, the stout comedian, he knew in Oxford is Ike Stegall and who tips the scales at 325 pounds, J. T. Britt. Mr. Wood is editor of handles the comedy work in a most

school house at Tar River station have fallen in pleasant places and we for Mr. Le Comte Flesher, issued the growings take it that he is prosperous and following guarantee to Messrs. Harris & Crews, managers of the Orpheum:

musical spectacle "The Prince of Tonight" company booked at the Or- tion. He said that if farmers would pheum Tuesday, Night, Feb. 2nd. It would top their tobacco lower it would top their tobacco lower it attraction is positively the original would be the means of raising the But ne'er was the street force with attraction is positively the original Chicago company and production, and price of all grades of tobacco; we carry the entire production exactnow doing a good substantial busi- ter every day, and advise among ly as represented to you in all our previous correspondence, and will further, guarantee to refund any patron who attends the performance didate for Town Commissioner in mance after the first act."

ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS DR. HAYS HEALTH OFFICER SOLID BANKS OF OXFORD PERSONALLY - MENTIONED THE WORLD'S GETHSEMANE

AL INSTITUTIONS

Added Confidence As to Their Future Strength and Stability

The banks of Oxford report good whole time health officer for Gran years and splendid progress, quite in ville county brings a sense of securi- keeping with the pace which Oxford ty. The universal verdict is that the has set for herself in the matter of peg fits the hole as a peg never before steady growth and successful town

The officers in these well-rooted The great surprise to every one and firmly established financial insti-

Successful banks means good times in all other lines, their financial con-We cannot outline Dr. Hays' duties ditions being a fair index to the prosfor we know that he will do more perity of a town or of a community. than is expected of him. It is pleas- The people of Granville are to be coning to know that every school house gratulated on the showing made by and every child in the county attend- the Oxford banks the past few years, ing school will come immediately un- a showing which promises much for

The confidence of the people in the he goes there must be purity or there the close of last week the loans and will be a reprimand. That is Dr. discounts of the reserve bank of Bos-Hays and there is no politics in his ton amounted to \$119,000, of New commission. He is attending the York \$1,683,900, of Philadelphia Health Congress and Educational \$402,000, of Cleveland \$414,000, of rally in Raleigh a few days this week, Richmond \$3,223,000, of Atlanta \$1,- Durham, were Oxford visitors Saturand on his return he has promised to 547,000, of Chicago \$2,078,000, of day. address a few plain facts to the peo- St. Louis \$547,000, of Minneapolis ple of Granville county through the \$194,000, of Kansas City \$137,000, columns of the Public Ledger. He of Dallas \$1,238,000 and of San 442,000 loans and discounts of the twelve reserve banks, over \$2,049,-Dr. Sam Booth, for several years | 000 was made on paper maturing the valuable county health officer, re- within a time greater than 60 days tires at an advanced age. An ativce, Without knowing, we presume that a energetic practitioner for many years, good portion of this was placed on

Sale of Land

We call attention to the sale of the .. C. Beck land, advertised by W W. Mason, trustee.

BRING IN YOUR TOBACCO

A Well Informed Man Speaks of Conditions

Mr. Sidney Betts, who is with one notified Chief Williford to look out of the big Oxford warehouses for a season is perhaps one of the best was making his way towards Oxford. posted men in the state on all that The Chief took up the trail and found pertains to the actual conditions of his man Friday night at a house the world's supply of tobacco. He near the Southern Freight yards. has told us in a confidential way sev-With a few boys standing around the eral times to watch a certain thing in Carteret Literary Society was held house as pickets, the Chief entered "big business circles," and by the Friday, January 22. The new offiand found that James Atkinson was simple process of waiting and sitting cers immediately took charge of their none other than Henry Amos, who still in the boat we have seen them work and seemed like experienced committed larceny here two years ago come to pass. To bring the matter hands on the job. Order was called a little nearer home, Mr. Betts told and the meeting begun with roll call, The Cheif, according to his own us that if he was a tobacco grower and minutes of the last meeting were statement, did a very unwise thing to he would market the remainder of read. This most important topic of enter the house unarmed, or at least his crop as quick as the weather con- talk of the Oxford people was the his pistol was in such a position as ditions would permit. "Watch," he query: "Resolved, That the town of not to be readily accesible, and the says, "what I tell you; those who put Oxford should issue \$100,000 bond colored man sizing up the situation it off too long will lose and charge for street improvement. The debatshowed fight, but realizing that the up their losses to the very men who ers were: Affirmative—Robert Fort, farmers and we shall expect them, Chief was the better man of the two are trying to build up the Oxford to- Sam Hall, Lewis Turner. Negative-

ing to Oxford was to catch the night the big men in Durham, Winston, Smith and Gus Landis. Notwith-Henderson and Richmond and he standing the fact that one of the deknows what he is talking about.

The Welcome Sound

The people in West Oxford are again glad to hear the welcome sound that he could not reach his pistol at of the whistle of the Furniture Facory and the hum of the machinery.

CLEAN TOBACCO SEED

Mr. Moss Has Installed Seed Cleaner At The Granville Test Farm

sowing of tobacco beds is the important work in tobacco culture. Mr. Eugene Moss, Superintendent of the Granville Test Farm, has installed a seed cleaner and will clean seed it either mailed or brought to him in person. If you mail them be sure to put your name an daddress on the sessed of a splendid stage figure, grew package plainly so there will be no quantity need be son and the farmer will have a much more regular stand end the plants will be much hardier and it will all help in producing a better grade of tobacco, and quality Where street committees bring The Mr. Roles, travelling manager not quantity what counts in topacco Stone at the town's expense,

In conversation with one of the best farmers he told us something But work on College street, "Regarding the engagement of the it, believing it to be valuable information in the it, believing it to be valuable informations."

Town Commissioner

Several of our good citizens have been approached about becoming canand is dissatisfied with the perfor- May. "No, no, I wouldn't have it, why I'd be cussed all the time."

HIS ELECTION MEETS WITH FIRMLY ESTABLISHED FINANCI. SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU THE TUTONS LOSE IN NORTH SEA DO NOT KNOW

> Personal Items About Folks and British Engage Squadron Headed for Their Friends Who Travel Here and There.

Mr. Amstead Burwell, of Route 4. was in Oxford Tuesday

Mr. J. F. Mangum, of Route 6, was in Oxford Friday. Lieut. James Stegall is visiting at Goldsboro on military business.

Gen. B. S. Royster is in Raleigh on business. Mr. S. M. Green, of Route 5 .was

in town Tuesday. Mr. Eugene Cannon, of Durham, is

visiting friends in Oxford. Mr. Hugh A. Jordan spent Sunday n Oxford.

Mr. Hutchins returned Monday from a visit to Durham. Mr. Geo. Sherman, of Berea sec-

tion, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. J. W. Cawthorn, of Rougemont, was among the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mr. Yancey Oakley, of Culbreth section, was on the tobacco market Tuesday. Judge Devin is spending a few

days in Oxford and his host of friends are glad to see him. Mr. Willie Hundley and son, of

Young Couple Wed

The following announcement has been received by friends in Oxford: Mr. and Mrs. John McDowell Patton announce marriage of their daughter conditions would virtually be the Lucie Lillian

Mr. Willie Wiggins Alston on Thursday, January the twenty-first nineteen hundred and fifteen Morganton, North Carolina

where for several seasons she has be surprising. held a responsible position in the millinery department of the Long Co. young business men and his many friends congratulate him on winning so fair a bride and extend to them. best wishes for a long and happy life. Mrs. Alston win be at home in Oxford, with Mrs. Baldy Williams.

Carteret Literary Society

The regular weekly meeting of the William Webb, Roy Upchurch. The Mr. Betts has touched elbows with judges were Richard Turner, Ewing baters of that side was absent, the judges decided in favor of the negative. Two new members, Roy Upchurch and Lewis Turner joined our society last week and both were on for this debate. Our critic, Mr. Pitts commended them on their good be ginning in debating. EARLE HUNT, Press Reporter

HOW IT HAPPENED

The time has arrived when the That a College Street Mud Hole was

Filled (By Col. Lege Street) Half a load, half a load. Half a load dumped down n the mud of College street,

While the folks wondered, Load up your cart with stone," Wasisaid in such a tone That is was quickly done. But the boy blundered.

'Load up your cart with stone,' 'Yas sah." the driver said, Then got it in his head-To drive up College.

It might have been for Spring, Gilliam or anything As all have knowledge;

Just why is wondered.

Till someone blundered,

CONCRET BRICK WALKS BUILT. Oxford Brick & Tile taxes this notice is for you. Works.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT

Raid on English . Coast, Sink the

Cruiser Blucher.

(London Cable, 26.) An attempt by a German cruiser squadron to repeat the recent attack on Scarborough, the Hartlepools and other British coast towns, was frustrated today by the British patrolling squadron, and in a running fight the German armored cruiser Bluecher was sunk and two German battle cruisers seriously damaged. The British ships suff-red only slight injury.

Pretty Show Windows

cher's crew of 885 were saved.

So far is known only 123 of the Blue-

The beautifully dressed windows of our merchants on Main street continue to be the attraction to pedestrians. In a few weeks the heavier goods will be removed to make room for the lighter goods.

The Weather

what to expect until the ground hog enlightens the world. WHAT THE FARMERS SAY,

ows, rain and snow, we hardly know

With a mingling of sunshine, shad-

They Have the Situation Well in

Hand and Will Exercise Wisdom It is the opinion of many well informed men about the county that with a big crop of common tobacco same another year and that a big quantity would place it below the

cost of production. We are advised by a good farmer' that the wise thing to do is to plant a smaller crop, use less fertilizers, The bride is well known in Oxford cultivate better and the results will

Meeting one of our old friends on the warehouse floor, he picked up a Mr. Alston is one of Oxford's rising handful of tobacco, examined the leaves carefully, smelt it and threw it back on the pile with the remark that it is easily seen that our farmers are using too much fertilizer. He After a trip to Asheville, Mr. and added. 'The farmer that makes his farm self-sustaining the coming year will be damaged but little by war or

We know very little about farming, and it is unbecoming to any man who is not entirely famaliar with farming conditions to sit in an office and give advice to practical men out in the field. But from a study of the conditions that confronts them, it does seem to us, all things being equal, that they should put all possible in grain, raise meat and truck and do not depend entirely upon any

one crop for a money-maker. This is as far as our advice goes along this line. We have faith in the judgment of the Granville county with the light before them, to exer-

A USELESS DRUG

No Law too Stringent, Says the Medical Professor of Oxford.

Whether the Legislature banishes liquor or not, the pratitioners in Oxford no longer feel that it is essential in their prescription work. The action of the Medical Society in Raleigh last summer in tabooing liquor has resulted in the discontinuance of its use pretty generally throughout the State, and perhaps no other single action on the part of any set of people has had so saiutary effect as has and will the attitude of the doctors.

Better and Prettier Homes

If we were putting up houses and barns all over Granville there would be no idle carpenters and brick layers for Oxford. We attach a great deal of importance to industrial developments without thinking that agriculture is one of our chief sources of wealth. All our resources need development, and none more than the agricultural possibilities of Granville. It would be well just at this time for those who have the means to improve their homes and out-buildings while material and labor is cheap.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR TAXES.

Your State and County Taxes were due October 5, 1914. 1915 is here and your unpaid taxes is a liability on me. Besides I am called upon daily for money to satisfy the State school, County and Road Funds, with nothing in hand to pay over. It is a business proposition now. They have the law to force me. After this you will be called upon personally unless you call at office and settle. Be ready. One dollar per sq. yard. Curbing, The law forces me to collect and the 20 cents per foot. Sample may be expense too great to make more than. seen at residence of Mr. H. M. one trip. If you haven't paid your

S. C. HOBGOOD, Sheriff.