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Beautiful Gifts, never
so good, never so
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display of
Holiday Goods
is opened and ready.
THE
Newest Novelties,
The best selections.
The most appropriate
presents for one and
all young or old
at fairest
prices.

TOYS

of every description for
the little ones. Yes
you can get just
what you want
in toys for
boys or
girls at
our
STORE.

The articles are to
numerous to numer-
ous to mention, Fancy
goods and Novelties,
Toilet Articles, Notions
etc. We claim for our
Holiday Display
General excellence in
quality, great variety
and very reasonable
prices, making it be-
yond question or doubt
the right place to get
the right gifts, at the
RIGHT PRICES

Whatever your wants may be,
we can meet them with Beautiful
and Appropriate selections. We
solicit a comparison of goods
and prices, knowing that our
Holiday Stock
will make friends, outshine riv-
als, please everybody, and sell
itself on its merits.
Wishing you a merry Christ-
mas and a happy New Year.
Yours to serve,
J. G. HALL, Druggist.
Phone 72.

WELCOME SOUND IN OXFORD.

"Take off Yer Hat to Dat Whistle fur it Means more Business."

There occurred a sound in Oxford Saturday afternoon which caused great rejoicing among the people—it was the blowing of the Cotton Mills whistle for the first time, and its coarse notes heralded to the people the continued prosperity of our beautiful and grand old town. This factory will prove another big link in the chain of Oxford's progressive march, and Factory Hill in a few weeks will become a scene of activity and the home of many operatives.

The work of building a large factory and equipping it cannot be accomplished as soon as many of our people imagined and some become a little discouraged, but when President John Hall blew the whistle Saturday afternoon it was dispelled and their hearts leaped for joy. A few of our colored citizens were standing on the sidewalk talking and when the whistle blew one of them asked: "What strange whistle is dat?" Another one replied: "Dat am de cotton factory whistle and yer all should take off yer hats to dat whistle fur it means more business fur dis town." And he uttered a great truth.

The editor had been away from home all the week and was truly glad that he returned in time to hear the course sound echo from the hill the first time, and it carried joy to our heart as we have worked hard for several years for the establishment of a cotton factory in Oxford.

The factory and storage houses are being equipped with a modern system of waterworks and fire extinguishers and electric light plant. We hope the town authorities will make arrangement with the company for the lighting of the town and do away with antiquated kerosene lamps.

We know that President J. G. Hall must have been greatly elated at the sound of the whistle too, as he has bent his every energy to the building and equipping of this substantial enterprise and has proved himself a man of tact and ability. To our greatly esteemed friend we extend our warmest congratulations.

L. B. Turner has a nice line of flooring, ceiling, and heart fencing, for sale.

Where to Buy Your Christmas Goods.

Santa Claus will have his headquarters at Oxford in the drug store of J. G. Hall, where every family can be provided for. Men, women and children can there find everything they want. No trouble there to get our wish, and at lowest possible prices. Go early and get what you want before they are all picked over. Read advertisement on this page.

See our Juvenile Books at Stedman's.

You can find it at Stedman's.

—WANTED—A Respectable, lady white woman to do house work in small family. Good and comfortable house. Address with references, Mrs. W. R. B. 29 Warren Crescent, Norfolk, Va.

—The Grace Renfrow Stock Co. will give a matinee on Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Prices for this performance 10 and 20c. Regular prices at the evening performances, 25 and 35c. Remember if you don't go you will miss a treat.

—Mr. A. B. Spencer has torn down for Mrs. Mary C. Cannady a two story residence at Stem and moved the timber to Oxford, and it will be rebuilt on one of her lots near the Furniture Factory. It will be for rent when completed.

Make the little ones happy with presents bought from Stedman's.

Don't buy until you have been to Stedman's.

Here all the Week.

The Grace Renfrow Stock Co. one of the most popular dramatic companies on the road, gave their first performance here on last Monday evening the play presented for that evening being "The Avenger." This was an interesting drama and well rendered. It abounded in laughable situations, good impersonations, and highly dramatic scenes. The impersonations introduced between the acts were very good and kept the performance from being tiresome, as many performances are for want of them. The comic songs and dancing were good. Throughout the performance the players were rapturously applauded. This excellent company, we are glad to learn, will play here throughout the week, and we hope they may have a good house every night, as they give a good honest, clean show, and deserve the patronage of the people.

—Wanted—All kinds of skins. Highest prices paid by Baird & Faucette. Dec. 12 4t.

CREEDMOOR HIGH SCHOOL.

The spring term will open Jan. 1st, 1902. Tuition from \$1.25 to \$3.50 per month. Good board \$8 to \$8.50 per month.

All boarding students are under the supervision of the principal. For full particulars address—
REV. J. W. SMITH, PRIN.,
Dec. 12 2t pd.

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—Odd coats, odd pants, and odd vest at odd prices at Crenshaw's.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

GATHERED BY OUR REPORTERS.

Short Items Dealing With the News of a Week.

—Read sale of land by B. S. Royster in another column.

Your attention is called to the change of ad of the Bank of Granville in another column.

—Miss Mary Horner, who was confined to her room several days the past week, is much improved.

—The editor extends his many thanks to Messrs. Charley and "Kit" Hester for a bushel of choice sweet potatoes.

—If you owe the editor for your paper call or mail it to him as he needs some Christmas money too. Don't forget it please.

—We are pleased to learn that Mr. S. H. Brown, who has been sick for two weeks, is improving and will be out in a few days.

If you want something good in the candy line remember J. G. Hall has just received a fresh line of Royster's candies. Call and see them.

—The many friends of Mr. Jessie Pitchford are glad to see him out again attending to business after the painful accident at his saw mill.

—We regret to announce the continued illness of Mrs. Norman Burwell and Willie Crews at Tar River and hope they will soon be restored to health.

—Rev. John E. Wool preached at Geneva Sunday, and we are pleased to learn that the congregation of this old church is much pleased with him as a minister.

—Mr. Sam Averett has commenced the erection of a two story dwelling on the lot adjoining Mr. Lester Wright on Broad street, and when completed will move to Oxford.

—Jackson's is the place to buy a nice box of Lowmeyer's candies and every thing good for Christmas. Your attention is called to his change of ad in another column.

—In your search for attractive and useful Christmas presents for your loved ones and friends be certain to call on W. D. Lynch. Read his advertisement in another column.

—Inspector General Bain, of the State Guard, was in Oxford a few days the past week and inspected the Granville drays, and we are pleased to say passed a creditable inspection.

—Bear the important fact in mind that Dr. John F. Stedman is ready to supply your wants with Christmas presents and Santa Claus goods of kinds. Read his advertisement elsewhere.

—Messrs. Landis & Easton are ready for the Holiday Trade, and desires you to call and let them supply you with every want in their line. Read the change of advertisement on the second page.

—The beautiful and convenient home of Dr. E. T. White will soon be completed and will be refurbished throughout, and hope he and his pleasant family will be able to eat their Christmas dinner in their new home.

—Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Dr. Elijah Brodie Meadows and Miss Julia Brent Clement, Wednesday morning, Dec. 12, 1901 at 9:30. At Geneva Church, Culbreth. The public are cordially invited to attend.

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BREAKS CONTINUE LARGE.

Oxford Tobacco Market on a Regular Boom.

We dare say no tobacco market in this section of the State has made as rapid advancement in the past three years as that of Oxford, and more especially this year. Ever since the season opened tobacco has poured in not only from our own county, but from Currituck, Durham, Vance, and Franklin counties, as well as from Mecklenburg county, Va., causing sales every day and sometimes double sales. Of course this has caused Oxford to become the greatest market in this part of North Carolina, causing largely increased sales over previous years. In many instances some of the Warehouses have average breaks as high as 19 cents round for every thing on the floor.

Our warehousemen, Messrs. Bullock & Mitchell, Hunt & Meadows, Z. W. Lyon, Stark, Crews and Co. and S. W. Cooper, rank among the very best in the State and have the confidence of the farmers of this section for two weeks, is improving and will be out in a few days.

Their is an important factor which carries with it the essence of the success of the market that of the best and most liberal corps of buyers that ever clustered along a row of tobacco.

They are always hungry for the weed and do not hesitate to pay for it.

Bibles and Testaments, see them at Stedman's.

Taylor-Cannady Buggy Co.

This splendid manufacturing enterprise has closed another year of successful business, and has declared a good dividend. This is, we take it, the largest plant of the kind in the State and its success is marvelous.

Some 2,500 buggies have been manufactured and sold, not counting wagons, and the demand for the most excellent buggies increases daily so much so that it is necessary the increasing of the capital stock of the company.

At a meeting of stockholders Friday night the old Board of Directors was re-elected along with the old officers which assures the continued success of the business. It was decided to increase the capital stock to \$20,000 in order to supply the demands of the trade. Mr. Hillman Cannady, of the Co. who has proved himself to be one of the most successful drummers on wheels, will continue in that position as his services in that is one of the mainstays of the success of the company. The Public Ledger warmly congratulates the Taylor-Cannady Buggy Co. upon its success.

The best and prettiest stock of Christmas presents we have ever had at Stedman's.

A Delightful Concert.

The entertainment entitled, "Old Times and Old Time Folks in Dixie," which was given at the Opera House on last Friday evening was in every way a high success.

Such a high success, especially in a typical Southern lady and her impersonations are from real life as she has seen and experienced it. Being a refined southern woman her acting is free from many of the stage mannerisms which are generally seen in the impersonations. She does not, as some do, distort character and represent the old time negro a character unlike any human being, but shows the real negro with his ignorant superstitions, yet with a real human and with a refinement which came from association with Southern whites. As an impersonator she is among the best we have seen, especially in impersonating the negro.

Miss Kingsinger, the solo harpist of the company, rendered a number of delightful music from the harp, which was greatly enjoyed. We hope these ladies may again visit Oxford.

—If your chickens are troubled with lice call at this office and get a can of "Lee's Lice Killer" and relieve your fowls. Price 35cts a quart. Cylinders Incubators and Brooders are the finest on the market. Write for catalogue that will give full particulars. Wade H. Britt, Agent.

A Big Minstrel.

Barlow & Wilson's Minstrels will appear in Oxford on Jan. 4th 1902. They have two bands and travel in two cars. This is one of the strongest minstrel on the road. Read the following press notices:

"Barlow & Wilson's Minstrel made their annual appearance last evening at Powers' Opera House to an excellent house. It is a fact worthy of notice, that each successive trip of this famous organization, headed down stairs seats have been few and far between. It follows that an attraction able to fill that portion of the theatre is one of intrinsic merit. The musical portion was particularly strong. The ballads of James Barlow, James Leonard and Joseph McGrath were pretty renditions. The monologue work of Barlow and Wilson was very funny, while the popular Conroy and Murry met with an ovation that must have been exceedingly pleasant to those favorite comedians. Taken altogether the Barlow and Wilson show far surpasses the usual minstrel attraction.—Grand Rapids Daily Democrat.

You will be sorry if you fail to see our line of fine pants they are equal to tailor made at Crenshaw's.

Getting After Brother Gattis in the Conference.

The 65th annual North Carolina Conference met in Fayetteville last week and Frank Kilgore had hood in his eye for Rev. T. J. Gattis, who was libeled by the King of the Conference. When Mr. Gattis's name was called there was some discussion and talk about a charge of perjury against him. A motion to investigate this charge was lost, and Gattis's character was passed temporarily, but the Conference refused to refer his name to the committee for the superintended relation and also refused his request for transfer to the Western Conference until his status is more clearly determined. Of course nothing but good was said of Kilgore as he is the great hero of the Conference.

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ON THE WING.

YOU KNOW SOME, BUT NOT ALL.

The Varied Movements of a Number of People.

—Rev. A. McCullen has returned from conference at Fayetteville.

—Mr. Jessie Williford, of Berea, called on the editor Thursday.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lassiter spent the past week in New York city.

—Mr. J. S. Hobgood was on our large break of tobacco Tuesday.

—Messrs. John Haskins and Nat Faucette spent Sunday with friends at Stem.

—Ex-Judge A. W. Graham returned Sunday from a business trip to New York city.

—The attractive Miss Nele Currlis is at home from an extended visit to Richmond.

—Mr. Frank Taylor arrived in Oxford Thursday and will remain until Christmas.

—The editor returned to Raleigh Monday as he is a juror in the United States court.

—Miss Bertha Hicks returned Saturday from a visit to her sister in New York city.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. Thomas, of near town were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Paris Sunday.

—Messrs. C. K. Hester, of Clay, and W. M. Wood, of Brownsville, was in Oxford Saturday.

—Mr. S. H. Smith, of the road, was in Oxford a few days the past week to the pleasure of his old friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. Rowland, of Georgia, are on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Buchanan in South Oxford.

—Mrs. Dr. N. M. Ferebee arrived Monday afternoon from Norfolk Va., to spend a few days visiting relatives and friends.

—Messrs. S. J. Rogers, of Creedmoor, C. C. Speed, of Wilton, and I. N. Hobgood, of Fairport, were in Oxford Monday.

—Miss Ethel Dorsey, of Henderson, who has been on a visit to relatives in Hillsboro, passed through Oxford Friday on her return home.

—Dr. R. H. Marsh, Revs. J. S. Hardaway and J. A. Stradley, Prof. F. P. Hobgood and Mrs. Hobgood, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Currlis, Mr. H. M. Shaw, Mrs. S. H. Cannady and Mrs. John Webb are at home from attending the Baptist State Convention at Winston.

—Examine L. B. Turner's line of work lumber before you buy. Nov. 14th, 4t.

The Kilgo Appeal to Supreme.

The attorneys for the defendants in the Gattis-Kilgo libel suit, in which the jury awarded the plaintiff \$15,000 damages, are preparing their appeal to the Supreme Court. One of the grounds for appeal is that the court refused to instruct the jury that there was no evidence of malice; another is that incompetent evidence was allowed; a third reason was the judge's charge throughout, especially the part in which he told the jury that if Dr. Kilgo and Mr. Duke withdrew their patronage from Gattis after the publication of the alleged libel this could be regarded as evidence tending to clear the malice. The defendants had regarded this case as virtually decided by the Supreme Court last year and now they hope to get a decision which will take the case out of court, and we believe they will do it as the Republicans stick mighty close together.

Royal Arcanum.

At the regular meeting of Granville Council No. 276 Royal Arcanum held in Odd Fellows Hall Friday night Dec. 6th 1901. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Regent F. C. Spencer, Vice Regent H. M. Shaw, Sec. F. W. Hancock, Collector B. S. Royster, Treas. S. W. Cooper, Orator J. G. Hunt, Chaplain Rev. R. B. Owens, Guide J. Y. Paris, Warden B. M. Haubold, Sentry E. K. Howard, Trustees—J. M. Currlis, J. S. Hall and S. W. Parker.

The Royal Arcanum is one of the oldest insurance organizations in the United States and one of the strongest financially. It has a membership of over 250,000 and an Emergency Fund of over one and one-half million dollars. At the last meeting of the Grand Council of N. C. held in April last there was a member in the State of 1901 since then they have added to the membership over 500. They paid to the widows and Orphans of deceased members in N. C. last year over \$85,000 Granville Council was organized in Oxford about 6 years ago ago and has a membership of about 50. Two members Rev. R. B. Owens and B. M. Haubold was initiated at their meeting last Friday night. Their rates are low their assessments limited to 12 annually one each month. The Royal Arcanum has come to stay and purposes to give absolute protection to its members and solicits for membership those who desire such protection for their families.

Where the Preachers are Stationed.

RALEIGH DISTRICT.
J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder.
Raleigh, Edenton Street—G. E. Smith.
Raleigh, Central—G. T. Adams and J. O. Guthrie.
Raleigh, Epworth—J. M. Culbreth.
Cary Circuit—A. L. Ormond.
Clayton—G. W. Fisher.
Smithfield—K. D. Holmes.
Con—G. B. Stirling.
Millbrook—N. L. Seabolt.
Youngsville—G. R. Rood.
Franklinville—J. H. Shore.
Lonsburg—M. T. Plyler.
Tar River—R. H. Bromm.
Granville—W. H. Puckett.
Oxford Station—A. McCullen.
Oxford Circuit—J. D. Pegram.
Editor R. C. Advocate—T. N. Ivey.
Brooklyn and Macedonia—M. M. McFarland.
Supt. Methodist Orphanage—J. W. Jenkins.
Chaplain U. S. N.—W. E. Edmundson.
Agent Methodist Orphanage—J. B. Hurley.

Give us your job work.

Xmas Opening

At

JACKSON'S

THIS WEEK.

We will receive direct from the

Walter M. Lowney Co.,

Boston, Mass.,

this week the finest line of package candies ever in Oxford call and see them. Over 25 styles of beautiful boxes to select from.

Fireworks for the Little ones.

Beautiful Books and fine stationery for the older ones.

Fruits, Nuts, Mixed candies, Raisins, Figs, Citron and all kinds of good things for Xmas.

Don't fail to call at Santa Claus Headquarters.

Next to Bank of Granville.

JACKSON'S

NEW GOODS

At

Lynch's Jewelry Store.

We have just opened up a nice line of reliable high grade goods for the Holiday trade, and will be glad to have you call, whether you wish to buy anything or not and look at them, if however you do decide to buy we will do our best to please you. We are going to sell goods lower than they have ever been offered before, quality considered.

Jewelry of all Kinds.

Watches at all prices. Solid silver table ware and cut glass. A beautiful assortment of wave crest ware in the richest finish. A fine line of sterling silver novelties, silver-plated table ware, clocks from \$1.00 up. Spectacles and eye glasses. We change the lenses for you free of charge if they don't suit. Best attention given to repairing of all kinds. Old gold and silver bought at market prices.

Yours respectfully,

W. D. LYNCH.

The Oxford Savings Bank

Particularly Desires to

Secure The Savings of

1. The young man who wants to get ahead.

2. The laborer, mechanic, clerks, teacher, all those who work for wages or on a salary.

3. The capitalist, the professional man, the married woman who has a separate estate, or who keeps an individual account.

4. The accounts of children.

5. In short, all those who wish their deposits to draw interest.

We pay 4 per cent Interest on Savings Deposits.

SANTA CLAUS

Headquarters at

HANCOCK'S DRUG STORE

I have just returned from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore where I spared neither time nor expense in getting the very best assortment of

TOYS

Consisting of Drums, Horns, Pianos, Chimes, Metalophones, Zithers and Harmonicas.

Bisque Dolls, Cloth Dolls, China Dolls, Doll Heads, Doll Carriages, Doll Swings and Doll Trunks.

Doll Furniture, consisting of Bedsteads, Bureaus, Tables, Chairs, Sideboards, Desks, Washstands, Buckets and Cradles.

Express Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Buckboards, Hobby Horses, Bicycles and Tricycles.

Brittania Tea Sets, China Tea Sets and Toilet Sets.

Foot Balls, Rubber Balls, Whips, Topp, Jumping Ropes, Boats, 100l Chests, Cook Stoves, Guns, Trains, Bath Tubs, Washing Sets, Snakes, Chiming Sailors and Games.

Stuffed Animals, consisting of Cats, Dogs, Sheep and Elephants.

Blocks, Drawing Slates, Croquet Sets and Picture Books.

And many other Toys too numerous to mention, all of which will be sold at

Prices to Suit the Times!

I have also a large and beautiful assortment of

Xmas Novelties

And all kinds of

Holiday Goods.

Everybody, old or young, rich or poor, can find just the

XMAS PRESENT

They want and at

INEXPENSIVE PRICES.

They consist of Celluloid Novelties, Crest Ware and Glassware Novelties, Booklets, Christmas Cards, Christmas Calendars, Albums, Leather Writing Tablets, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Mirrors, Ink Stands, Decorated Crepe Paper, Poems, Walking Canes, Elegant Fancy Boxed Stationery, Perfumery, Beautiful Baskets and numerous other articles.

Be sure and come early and make your selection before they are all picked over.

I have just received a nice fresh supply of Seeded and Layer Raisins, Seeded Currants, Citron, Figs, Dates, Gelatine and Chocolate, English Walnuts, Almonds, Pecans, Fibers and Brazilian Nuts, Lemons, Oranges, Coconuts, Bananas and Apples.

Royster's Crown Chocolate and Boxed Candies, and all kinds French Mixture and stick candies

Inviting you one and all to call early at my store and make your purchases, guaranteeing perfect satisfaction, and wishing you in advance a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am your friend

F. W. HANCOCK,

Next to P. O., Oxford, N. C.