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To

Reautiful Gifts, never so good, never so cheap. Our fine display of

is opened and ready. THE

The best selections. The most appropriate presents for one and

all young or old at fairest prices .

of every description for the little ones Yes you can get just what you want in toys for

boys or girlsat our

The articles are to numerous too numerous to mention, Fancy goods and Novelties. Toilet Articles, Notions etc. We claim for our

quality, great variety prices, making it beyond question or doubt the right gifts, at the adults.

Whatever your wants may be,

vill make friends, outshine ri vals, please everybody, and sell

itself on its merits. Wishing you a merry Christ- sale from the 9th.

mas and a happy New Year.

Yours to serve,

J. G. HALL, Druggist. Phone 72.

ARE YOU DOING YOUR BANKING

Business With the First National Bank of Oxford?

You say you want two banks in Oxford. Are you in earnest about this? We have taken it that you mean what you say, and have been expecting your support. Generally when a man wants a thing he makes an effort to get it, and when he gets it he tries to keep it. Will you make damper on holiday trade. an exception in this important in-

We have brought to you the best form of Banking facilities. National Banks are the best security to depostors. We are required by the Government under penalty and oath to render a statement of our business every 60 days or thereabouts as the Comp troller of the Currency may call. These reports are also verified by the days. Government's inspector, who is liable to drop in at any moment. You are further secured by burglar insurance, bonded officers and double the amount of a paid up capital of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars. We indulge in no wild schemes, but confine ourselves to unadulterated business

Many are appreciating these facts and are coming to us. Our last state-ment published in the Public Ledger, of December 19th, shows a gain in business of over 50 per cent, since the previous statement. We are gratified that we have been able to make such a showing in so short a time, and for the patronage we have received we are thankful.

You can now put your money in Bank for a stated time and draw 4 the Santa Claus that goes on top. per cent. interest on it, and if you have to borrow, as most of us do sometimes, you have to pay only 6 per cent. interest. Oxford a short while ago was reputed to be a dead town, now it has recovered the old time reputation of being one of the best towns in North Carolina. Possibly some credit is due us for these better conditions. If so, don't you think you should recognize this by giving us your influence and patronage? With a proportionate share of patronage we shall be contented. Are we unreasonable in asking this

Wishing you all the pleasures of the season, and that we may share together the prosperity of the new year. Your friends,

R. W. LASSITER, President. C. D. RAY, Vice-President, W. H. HUNT, Cashier.

Song Recital.

One of the social events of the sea son will be the Song Recital to be given by Mr. J. Cowin Mabey a baritone singer from New York City. Many will remember having heard him sing both in the Episcopal and Methodist churches and will surely be desirous to hear him again on this his only appearance in Oxford this season. He will be assisted by Miss Carrie Hobgood and Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming, pianists, and by Miss Taurman elocutionist. The recital will be given in the chapel of the Oxford Fe-male Seminary the evening of Janu-

It is rare that a singer of such talent and ability is in our midst. Do not miss this oportunity to bear one of the finest concerts ever given in Oxford. Tickets will be fifty cents

From now until Christmas we re going to rush business as we ago we prepared for extensive selling by buying largely from head-General excelence in quarters the best thing to be had. Whether you want fancy goods or stap'es we are prepared to meet the warded by leaving it at this office. and very reasonable demand and save you not less than

the right place to get ness, a child of 4 years of age can buy of us at the same price as

> with 9 inch ruffles and worth 1 50 in his new home. He has the Public our prsce 98c each Irish Point Ledger's best wishes. Bureau scarfs worth 50c our price

we can meet them with Beautiful Irish point table covers worth the Oxford Market than on his own and Appropriate selections. We one dollar aur price 69c ehch. Rufsolicit a comparison of goods fled swiss curtains 3 1 2 yards long State. and prices, knowing that our worth 1 50 a pair our price 98c.

> 40 inch fine pure wool black thirty-three per cent. of the white it will be a most enjoyable occasion at 6 per cent. dress goods worth 75c our price benefit from school taxes. If the charge of getting it up are sparing in good condition, with a capital State expects to lift the veil of illiter no time or effort to make it very at- stock of \$16,300 00 and is rapidly inacy something must be done to bring tractive. The church will be decorate creasing in its business. This bank at 98c to 5 48 all wofth 1-4 more.

> > Fu'l line of Holiday goods on President Roosevelt's first open and

B. F. KRUNHEIMER.

113 W Main Street,

DURHAM, N. C. Dec. 12 4t.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

GATHERED BY OUR REPORTERS.

If not suppose you begin with the Short Items Dealing With the News of

a Week.

—Don't forget to be polite. -Read sale of land by R. H. Mc duire in another column.

-The rain Monday cast quite

-The thermometer in Oxford Fr day registered 4 above zero. -December has proven the coldest

we have had since 1884, so it is said. -Several ice houses were filled the past week-the ice was 3 inches thick.

-All of our manufacturing enterprises have closed down for the holi-

-The Graded School closed Friday are quite happy.

a fine holiday trade. -There were a large number of old

veterans in town Monday getting their Pension warrants. -To remember that the very first

Christmas gifts of all were laid at the feet of the child of the poor. -Everything for the Christmas tree, even to the guardian angel or

-Sir Robt. Ball, the English astronomer, says that in about 60,000 years the days will be 48 hours long. -Mr. L. B. Turner continues to

make improvements in his lumber tice building. -Christmas services will be held

Baptist church. -Mrs. John W. Hays had a very interesting Christmas story in Sunday's Raleigh Post. She is one of the

brilliant ladies of Oxford. -Don't expect it to be a merry approaches bankruptcy.

—We publish this week the report of Superior Court Clerk J. G. Hunt. Read it as you may have something coming to you in his office.

-The editor is quite sorry to learn of the continued sickness of his friend, Mr. A. S. Hall, and wishes him a rapid restoration to health. -Mr. Barney Dixon, of Tar River,

quite happy over the arrival at his home of a young Democrat. -Mr. J. D. Bullock has commenced to repaint his residence on Broad street, which will be completed as

soon as the weather will permit. -Mr. C. D Ray has moved the small cottage that so longed nestled under the giant elms to his vacant lot on Broad street, and will fix it

-We were in error last week in stating that Mr. Sam Averett was erecting a two story residence on Broad street. We should have said Mr. L. E. Wright.

seaboard Air Line railroad in North Carolina must cease to visit barrooms. The penalty of disobeying is dismissal from the service of the

-The Oxford Tobacco Market Thursday Jan. 2nd, when high averages for all grades will again be the center of attraction for all far-

-This is time of year for the cynic to forget he is disallusioned, for the old to be young, for enmities to be buried, for hope to be resurrected, for love to reign and everybody to be

zens have opened their hearts and haue never done before. Months dinner, and will receive the warm thanks of the unfortunate inmates.

-Lost a Pocket Book.-Mr. E. D. Arrington lost his purse Monday afternoon between Oxford and Ragland Store containing more than \$25 and the finder will be liberally re-

-We are pleased to learn that Mr. J. J. Medford, who has recently opened up a wholesale grocery in Oxford. is doing well. He deserves it as he

-Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Garner will in future make Creedmoor their home and we regret to lose them from Ox-240 Mercerized black Petticoats ford. Mr. Garner is a splendid black-smith and we feel sure he will do well

> sales Friday and greatly surprised to ing and said we were right in claiming Oxford as the leading market of the Entertainment at The Methodist Church.

about school attendance.

-The appointment of Henry C Payne to be Postmaster General is pronounced step toward consolidat ing his party power. His efforts hitherto have been devoted quietly to establishing good relations with party leaders and particularly to harmonizing the Senate in support of his administration.

Wanted-Allkinds of skins. Highest | full particulars address rices paid by Baird & Faucette.

OUR CHRISTMAS GREETING.

Oxford and Granville County Make Good Showings this Year.

The Public Ledger extends to its numerous friends and patrons a cordial Christmas greeting, and wishes for them much pleasure during the holidays and a happy New Year. As our streets Monday. usual we shall issue no paper next week. Our next issue will be Jan. 9, 1902. We feel sure that our readers day from a visit to Norfolk, Va. are always willing to allow us one week of rest out of the 52 weeks in holiday with friends in High Point.

In looking back over the past year especially at Oxford's success and day. achievements, and the large amount of tobacco sold at much higher prices, to-morrrow to visit friends at Louis placing the farmers of Granville and adjoining counties in much better condition. Our new manufacturing enterprises have met with success and from Hollins Institute to enjoy the done an excellent business. During festive season. After this week we will be enabled this year the First National Bank of to furnish more reading matter to Oxford was successfully launched and has met with great success and has in a few short months gained the comuntil Jan. 6th, and the boys and girls dence of the people, thus giving Oxford two of the best Banks of any town its size in the State. But we believe portion of the holidays. -The Public Ledger is pleased to the most important event in the say that our merchants have enjoyed town's history during 1901 is the establishment of Graded Schools. At this we are especially gratified. While we do not wish to flatter ourselves or to ascribe to ourselves the credit for something not due us, yet we feel that to our efforts, to no small degree, is due the interest in and the establishment of these schools. But the work was indeed "a labor of love," and we are always glad to labor for our little friends-the children, for the future of our country de-

pends on our boys and girls. Not only have we had successes and pleasures during the past year, but we had toils as well. We have worked hard and tried to be hon- tives. yard. He has just completed an of- est with ourselves and true to our neighbor. With some our labors have been appreciated, with others perhaps they have not been, but we this Wednesday morning in St. make no complaint, nor do we cen- street. Stephen's church aud at night in the sure any man. It is true that we criticse men and measures when we think the public weal is in jeopady, but without malice. In our opinions which concern the public good we are always outspoken. We never fail toexpose what we think iswrong Christmas if you have to face the We try to be true to the cause of new year in a financial condition that right, to the church, to our friends and to our party, but we are con-The Public Ledger continues to in-

crease in popular favor as our subscription list is on the increase and we shall continue to work for the and Mrs. J. W. Weddington, of Charupbuilding of Oxford and Granville county. We again thank our numerous riends for their patronage and hope

future to merit their future confidence was in Oxford Saturday and was and support. We shall in the future as in the past stand up for old Granville and for grand old Oxford and shall appreciate any patronage extended the Public Ledger. The editor also extends his warmest thanks to his correspondents and wish them all the pleasures the season can bestow. Again making our annual bow to our readers and the dear little boys girls, and extending happy greetings

UNITED STATES COURT.

until January 9th, 1902.

-Hereafter all the employees of the Judge Purnell is an Able and Humane

Having been called to Raleigh as a juror for the first time in the United States District Court, and having spent two weeks there we want to say that our impression of this court closed down Friday afternoon until has somewhat changed since seeing its workings. It is not a political court by any means, but an extremely fair just court. As we saw it this ing school in Durham county, and ciue to buy we will do our best to court was admirably conducted and May Hundley, who is teaching at please you. We are going to sell the business rapidly dispatched, yet

with care and uprightness. Our old friend, Judge Thomas R. Purnell, whom we have known for 27 years and a man of high legal attainments, is an excellent Judge and metes out justice with an even and -A number of our benevolent citi- impartial hand. We believe in the discharge of his official duties he furnished the inmates of the Poor knows neither friend or foe. He sees House with an elegant Christmas that Uncle Sam's laws are respected, yet remembers mercy where the case juetifies it. The Government has in him a faithful and competent Judge. We were agreeably surprised in District Attorney Claude Bernard, and found him a dilligent, painstaking officer, and looking well after the interest of the Government, and hope he will be able to defeat turn-coat Harry Skinner for the District At-

We were especially impressed with the ability and tact of Mr. Oscar J. We do a strictly one price busi-less a child of 4 years of age can would do well to see him before they our opinion Mr. Spears is a strong and forciful lawyer, and in the discharge of the duties of his office he does honor to the position and to himself. He is an easy, graceful speaker and is peculiarly for the place he holds.

Our old-time friend, Major H. L. Grant, of Goldsboro, a fine business man, is Clerk of the Court, and of -Mr. F. W. Pitts, of Nash county, coure is competent and very efficient who is on a visit to relatives in the in the discharge of the duties of his Clay section, was on our tobacco office, painstaking and accommodat-

see tobacco selling much highter n As a whole the District Court, as we see it, is ably conducted.

as those who have program has been arraged. We are posits requested to say that all are cordially invited to attend.

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 All boarding students are under

the supervision of the principal. For REV. J. W. SMITH, PRIN,

ON THE WING.

YOU KNOW SOME, BUT NOT ALL

The Varied Movements of a Number of

Rev. and Mrs. B. C. Alred were on

-Dr. S. D. Booth returned Satur-

we feel gratified at our success, and to her home in Bertle county Tues- Too ed.

-Miss Fannie Gregory will leave

-Miss Maggie Currin is at home years.

-Mr. Ed Landis, of the Road, re turned to his old home Saturday to spend his Christmas.

-Mr. D. P. Peak, of Berea, was an

Oxford visitor Thursday, and called Cheaper Candies. on the Lublic Ledger. -Prof. Darius Eatman arrived from New York City Saturday to spend

Christmas with his parents. -Mr. and Mrs. Luther Stark, of Rocky Mount are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith.

-Miss Katharine Horner and Master James, who are attending school Fruits, Nuts, e.c. at Raleigh, are at home for the holi-

-Mr. and Mrs. Chas Behlen and

two sons left Monday for Cincinnati

to enjoy the festive season with rela--Miss Edith Ivey, of Raleigh, and Miss Delma Noell, of Roxboro, are visiting Mrs. C. D. Ray on College

-Mr. and Mrs. George Grimsley and children of Greensboro, are spending Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. T.

-Miss Fannie Hughes, who now lives in Raleigh, has arrived in Oxford or to support what we think is right. to spend the Christmas with her

-Miss Mary Horner, and Miss

, will enjoy the holidays in New People, just the kind you need for

lotte, visited relatives in Oxford the

Superintendent of the Graded School, by fairness and honest dealing in the is enjoying Christmas with relatives

> -Miss Eva Minor, the fine music teacher of Chase City Female School, is under the parental roof for the joy--Messrs. J. W. Ross, of Wilton, and

J. P. Thomas, of Hampton, were in Oxford Monday and called on the Public Ledger. -Miss Cecelia Joyner. of Franklinton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. the "old man" bids them good-bye W. D. Lynch, on College street, sev-

eral days the past week. -Masters Ike Brown, of Trinity High School, and Gus Rawlins, of Bingham School reacned home Sat-

urday to enjoy Christmas. -Mr. and Mrs. Robt. W. Dalby, of Washington City, arrived in Oxford Tuesday to enjoy Christmas with the dear "Old folks at home."

ed to see him in Oxford again.

-Prof. Mabey, the fine singer of

Kittrell, are at home for the holidays. cellent teachers of the Graded School, sidered. returned Saturday to her home at

Satterwhite to enjoy the festive sea--Our talented young friend, Mr. Sam Peace, who has taken a high stand at the State University, arriv-

ones at home. been on a visit to Oklahoma and to ver plated table ware, clocks from Charlotte and Greensboro, in this \$1.00 up. Spectacles and eye glass-

on a visit to his old home in Virginia all kinds. Old gold and silver recuperating from his recent sickness, returned to Oxford Monday to bought at market prices the pleasure of his host of friends.

-Mr. W. F. Wheeler, one of the enrgetic young farmers of the Creedmoor section, was on our tobacco breaks Friday and the editor had the pleasure of meeting him in his office for the first time.

A Successful Bank.

In another part of this paper appears the second combined statement of the Bank of Granville and the Oxford Savings Bank. This statement makes an excellent showfor these two banks.

The capital stock of the Bank of Granville is \$30,000,000, and owing to Secure The Savings of the increased business of this splen-did institution its capital stock will be increased to \$60,000.000 the first of There will be a Xmas entertain- which was a special dividend of 33% -There are 149,317 white children, of school age in North Carolina, who on next Friday night for the benefit on June 1st 1901. This bank accom-

ted for the occasion and a charming pays 4 per cent. interest on time de-

The Bank of Granville ranks among the very best of the State Banks, keeps an individual account. being very ably managed and is a credit to the town of Oxford. The managers of this strong institution are ever ready to give to their pa trons and the public any accommodation which is consistent with deposits to draw interest. safety and sound business principles. Much success to the Bank of Gran-

Bibles and Testaments, see them at Stedman's.

you want the best that money will buy? No matter whether you are buying for yourself, your girl or your children. Then

things at the original Fanta Claus Miss Mary Miller Outlaw returned Headquarters, or you may be

is the place, and has been for 15

Lowney's Candies

Over 1000 packages, beautiful to behold, for you to select from, from -Our friend Plunk Meadows, of roc to \$3 each, and remember you Youngville, is in Oxford to enjoy a do not pay for packages, as we guarantee every one net weight.

We have in great variety from 10c to 40c per pound. Our plain cand, is the best and purest in Oxford, and the price is the same as you pay for inferior goods 10c per pounds,

Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, Grapes, Pecans, Palm nuts, Malnuts, Almonds, Mixed nuts, Figs Raisins Dates and the best quality abtainable.

The most complete line we have

ever had and prices the lowest.

Fire Works.

New Books. B'ennerhassett Sylvia Cordigon Doll Swings and Doll Trunks. Calumet K Tristiam of Blent The Portion of Labor Joclyn Cheshire and many others. Books for boys Bedsteads, Bureaus, Tables, Chairs Nina Horner, of Converse College, S. Books for girls Books for Grown Sideboards, Desks, Washstands,

Xmas gifts. See our \$1 Bible,

Picture Frames Pipe Rocks c.es and Tricycles. -Prof. H. P. Harding, the popular | Calendars | Novelties | Souvenir Goods etc. etc. at

Next to Bank of Granville.

We have just opened up a nice ine of reliable high grade goods New York, is the guest of Mr. and for the Holiday trade, and will be Mrs. Louis de Lacroix. We are pleas- glad to have you call, whether you wish to buy anything or not and -Misses Rosa Crews, who is teach- look at them, if however you do de goods lower than they have ever -Miss Sarah Daniel, one of the ex- been offered before, quality con-

Jewlery of all Kinds.

Watches at all prices. Solid stfver table ware and cut glass. A ed Saturday to be with the loved beautiful assortment of wave crest ware in the richest finish. A fine -Mr. Walter Stradley, who has line of sterling silver novelties, sil-State, returned home Friday and reports quite a pleasant trip.

es. We change the lenes for you free of charge if they don't suit. -Mr. S. H. Brown, who has been Best attention given to repairing of

Yours respectfully,

Oxford Savings Bank Particularly Desires to

o get ahead.

are not attending school. This is over of the Sunday School. We doubt not inodates the public freely with money clerks, teacher, all those who and Apples work for wages or on a salary.

> 3. The capitalist, the professional man, the married woman who has a separate estate, or who

We pay 4 per cent Interest on Savings Deposits.

Headquarters at

-Miss Bessie Dorsey is spending the wise and buy your Xmas good 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



Consisting of Drums, Horns, Piauos, Chimes, Metalaphones, Zithers and Harmonicas.

Bisque Dolis, Cloth Dolls, China Dolls, Doll Heads, Doll Carriages, Doll Furniture, consisting of

Buckets and Cradles. Express Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Buckboards, Hobby Horses, Bicy-

Sets and Toilet Sets. Foot Balis, Rubber Balls, Whips lops. Jumping Ropes, Boats, 1001 Chests, Cook Stoves, Guns, Trains, Bath Tubs, Washing Sets, Snakes,

Brittana Tea Sets, China Tea

himing Sallors and Games. Stuffed Animals, consisting of Cats, Dogs, Sheep and Elephants.

Blocks, Drawing States, Croquet Sets and Picture Books. And man, other Loys too nu

merous to mention, all of which

will be sold at Prices to Suit the Times!

I have also a large and beautiful

Xmas Novelties

assortment of

Holiday Goods. Everybody, old or young, rich or

poor, can find just the

And all kinds of

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, Smok ing Sets, Mirrors, Ink Stands, Decorated Crepe Paper, Poems, Walking Canes, Elegant Fancy Boxed Stationery, Perfumery, Beautiful Baskets and numerous otner articles,

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

I have just received a nice fresh snpply of reeded and Layer Rai-1. The young man who wants sins, Seeded Currants, Citron, Figs Dates, Gelatine and Chocolate, English Wa nuts, Almonds, Pecans 2. The laborer, mechanic, Filberts and Brazillian Nuts. Lemand 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 4. The accounts of children. purchases, guaranteeing pesfect satisfaction, and wishing you in 5. In short, all those who wish their advance a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am your friend

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