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WAITING!

At present the best sight in town is our

HANDSOME STOCK OF HOLIDAY GOODS,

Which includes the pick of the market in bright, fresh, new styles and novelties for the Christmas season, and we are waiting to show it to you.

It will give you new ideas to see our

HOLIDAY LINE

It is easy to select from because it contains everything to make people happy, whether they are old or young

Charming Gifts--

PLENTY OF THEM--

Are ready and waiting for your inspection. To look through our fine assortment is a pastime, to price the goods is a pleasure, to possess them is a privilege. Come and see the best for Christmas in

THE NEW, THE NOVEL, And BEAUTIFUL

It is a stock to please the many and save the money of all who come. You'll trade with us simply because you can't duplicate the goods or the prices.

Whatever your wants may be, we can meet them with the most desirable and satisfactory selections.

Our attractive Holiday Display awaits your inspection. We are glad to welcome visitors and pleased to show them our goods. The Old Reliable Druggist,

J. G. HALL.

Story of Local Events.

Moving Pictures of a Weeks Happenings.

The roof of the new residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Britt is being put on.

Mr. S. T. Peace, Teller of the Bank of Granville, has been appointed a Notary Public.

Eggs are so high now that it cost ten cents for a seat on the roof to hear a hen cackle.

Granville Public Schools will receive out of the first \$100,000 appropriation for education \$1,167.65.

Winston-Salem was visited by a \$175,000 fire last Thursday morning. A knitting mill and factories burned.

The colored Dime Savings Bank in Kinston, the only negro banker in the state, has gone into the hands of a receiver.

Arthur L. Bishop, the traveling salesman, who shot and killed Mr. J. T. Wilson at his home in Charlotte, has surrendered.

Judge Graham attended Judge Howard Garner's court at Grissom Monday and represented some clients before his honor.

Mr. L. B. Dixon has been appointed by Sheriff Howard Deputy Sheriff in Fishing Creek Township. He will make a good one.

The large delegation from Oxford who attended the Baptist State Convention at Durham returned Monday greatly pleased with their visit.

There were quite a number of old veterans in town Monday looking for their pension warrants, but they were disappointed as they have not arrived.

Messrs. A. A. Hicks and Z. W. Lyon, neighbors, have joined together and put down a drain pipe from their cellars to keep them from overflowing with water.

The folks up Willow Creek" is a delightful blending of comedy, sentiment, sensation and music. Its variety pleases every one. At the Opera House Jan. 7, 1903.

Sheriff Fleming says even if our farmers have made more money this year and business has been good the people are much slower than last year in paying taxes.

Indeed we are sorry to say that tobacco continues to decline on the Oxford Market, and the farmers that did not sell early in the season are out of pocket considerable money.

Dr. R. H. Marsh was unanimously elected President of the Baptist State Convention at Durham Wednesday for the 12th time. This is a great compliment to our beloved townsmen.

Moses Jordan, a well known colored carpenter, died at his home in Oxford Friday night. He was one of the oldest in town, and assisted in building a large number of the stores and residences.

The energetic ladies of St. Stephen's Episcopal church have put down a carpet over the floor of the auditorium and chancel, at a cost of over \$300. It adds a great deal to the looks of the church.

A large number of people from Granville attended the Baptist State Convention at Durham the past week and greatly enjoyed the meeting. Of course they were royally entertained by the good people of Durham.

If You are Going To Give Presents

Give Something That will be appreciated.

A Nice Picture

Appropriately framed will fill the bill. Up-to-date line to select from at

Brinkley's Photograph Gallery

"We Hold Thee Safe."

THE FIRST

National Bank,

Oxford, N. C.

Deposits, \$130,000
Capital, \$25,000
Surplus, \$3,300

We have brought to the people of old Granville a strong Government institution. They are showing their appreciation, and the First National Bank is showing its appreciation by giving the very best banking facilities and liberal treatment. Come to see us.

C. D. RAY, V-President.
S. W. MINOR, Teller.
R. W. LASSITER, President.
W. H. HUNT, Cashier.

4 Per Cent Interest

Paid on Time Deposits

All Transactions Strictly Confidential.

Mr. A. Baker is having some improvements made to the interior of his residence.

The holiday trade is now very active and merchants say they never knew it to be better.

Mr. Fred Curran, who lives near Erford Church, will soon have his splendid new residence completed.

If you need fire insurance don't fail to call on Wm. H. Harrison, Attorney, as he represents high grade companies.

The Oxford Savings Bank wants a bank account from one member of every family in Granville county.

A thief went to the hen-house of Mr. James Paris' Friday night, broke the lock and relieved him of his Christmas turkey and four hens.

It is the early Christmas shopper that catches the bargains, you know, and for that reason we ask you to read our holiday advertisements.

The editor is pleased to learn that Mrs. W. R. Buchanan, of Fishing Creek, who has been quite ill for two or three weeks, is slowly improving.

The cheapest, most appropriate and most profitable Christmas present for the young or the old, is a Savings Bank so get one of these banks.

Rev. A. McCullen and family will spend the holidays with friends in Warren county, and will not occupy his pulpit any more until the first Sunday in the New Year.

Rev. Walter A. Pattillo, Principal of the Colored Graded School of Oxford, seems to take a good deal of heavy pork thus far. He killed a hog last week that tipped the beam at 411 pounds.

Among some of the first people we see reading the Public Ledger after it is issued each week is the miserable, stinging dead beats, who are able to pay one dollar a year for the paper.

Dr. C. D. Fort is in Oxford and expects to remain notwithstanding reports to the contrary. He thanks his friends for their kind support and asks continuance of the same. He will treat you right.

Madam de Lacroix, the beloved mother of Mr. Louis de Lacroix, who had the misfortune a few days ago to sprain one of her ankles, is confined to her home. We hope she will recover as rapidly as possible.

The Town Commissioners will now have to begin to get ready to open the new street for the benefit of the new railroad as directed by meeting of the tax-payers a few months ago without a dissenting vote.

President Roosevelt need not try to saddle his saddle-colored trouble on the Democrats. The more he leans to Cuffee the more he will help the cause of white supremacy in American politics.—Atlanta Constitution.

Mr. I. N. Hobgood, who has been living near Albemarle, Oak Hill Township, leaves this week with his family for Lenoir Springs, where they will make their home. We wish them great success in their new home.

That negro postmaster at Wilson seems to have Vick-ized the republicans in this state, and also drawn some democrats into the middle. The negro does not seem to be out of politics to any great extent just now.—Durham Sun.

Track laying on the Oxford & Coast Line Railroad has reached Fishing Creek and the 500 feet trestle is being put in. We have not heard any kicking lately about the railroad entering town, as the Company has tried to treat everybody fairly.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Association of Academics will be held in the Senate Chamber of the Capitol at Raleigh, Friday and Saturday, December 26 and 27, 1902. Railroads and hotels will grant reduced rates to all who attend.

As the Town Commissioners have refused to license saloons after the 1st of January either Henderson or Durham and the Express Company will get the benefit of the Oxford trade, and town and county will be minus the amount of taxes now paid.

We are much pleased to note the success of our young friend Robt. Wood, the up-to-date Furniture dealer on Hillsboro street. If you need anything in the Furniture line you cannot do better than go and see him, as he will give you a bargain everytime.

Farmers don't forget the fact that the Oxford Tobacco Market will close Saturday for the holidays, but the market for all kinds of Christmas and holiday goods is in a flourishing condition, and our advertisers will be glad to have them call and besupplied with the needs of the season.

We are informed by Mr. F. W. Hancock, the most excellent Superintendent of the Baptist Sunday School, that the children will have their annual entertainment next Tuesday night. It will be under the direction of the accomplished Miss Bettle Jordan, which is a guarantee that it will be a most enjoyable affair.

The editor is in receipt of the following invitation: Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Donnell request your presence at the marriage of their daughter Cora to Mr. Ashbel Brown Kimball on Tuesday afternoon, December 21st, 1902, at 2 o'clock at home, Oak Ridge, N. C. Mr. Kimball is a rising young lawyer of Greensboro, and son of our countyman, Mr. W. D. Kimball.

The Baptist Convention has come and gone. It was a fine looking body of Christian workers, and their labors here have been very satisfactory to that denomination, and it is regarded as one of the best and largest convention ever held in the State. The members are well pleased with their stay and entertainment in Durham. They carry back to their homes the best wishes of this community.—Durham Sun.

It is not necessary to tell the children about it, but the truth is that Santa Claus no longer has a monopoly of the toy trade. After his reign of centuries, he has been thrust aside, and from now on when he wants to fill his pack or stock up his bob-sleighs for his jaunt over the roofs, he will have to dicker with a trust—the Toy Trust. The sad prospect had been impending for years, but not till this week did it become a reality.

Old Santa Claus has arrived at Stedman's drug store and children gather in full force in front of the window to take a look at his Royal Graysness.

Mr. J. R. Reavis, of Wise, Warren county, killed a hog last week that weighed 620 pounds when dressed. It was fifteen months old.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

The annual election of officers of the Woodmen of the World will be held tonight (Thursday) at their hall. A full attendance is desired. J. J. McEneaney, Clerk.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction announces that the State has added 408 rural school libraries. The average number of books in each library is over 80. Many have over 100.

Look up the advertisement of T. W. Jackson, the confectioner and stationer, of Hillsboro, you know, what he has to sell as he is now ready to supply your Christmas wants. Mr. Jackson has a fresh stock of almost everything in his line, and we feel sure he can please you.

In the Federal Court at Raleigh last week, as a man was on the point of being convicted of illicit distilling, a man came before the judge, in open court, and confessed that he was the moonshiner and operated a still on the land of the other man. He said he could not bear to see an innocent man convicted.

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On The Move.

Items About People Who Come and Who Go.

Mr. C. D. Osborn is at home for the holidays.

Mr. T. F. Jones, of Stem, was an Oxford visitor Friday.

Mr. R. P. Jones, of Wake county, was on our streets Friday.

Mr. S. L. Howard, of Bera, was an Oxford visitor Saturday.

Mr. George Pennington, of Tarboro, is in Oxford for a few days.

Mr. Sam T. Peace spent a few hours in Henderson Wednesday.

Deputy Sheriff D. W. Fowler, of Brassfield, was in Oxford Friday.

Miss Lillie Dickerson, of Fishing Creek, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. Louis de Lacroix returned from a visit to New York City Sunday.

Mr. Norfleet Crews, of Dabney, was on our streets Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Sam Coley, of Dutchville, was on the breaks Friday and called to see the editor.

Mr. J. D. Williams, of Fairport, spent Saturday and Sunday with his family in Oxford.

Mr. J. W. Dean will leave in a few days to make his home in Cumberland county.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Curran, of Walnut Grove township, were on our streets Saturday.

Mr. Plunk Meadows, of Youngsville, arrived in Oxford Thursday and will spend a few days.

Mr. Josiah Cannady, who has been quite sick at Bingham School, Asheville, is at home to recuperate.

Misses Rhew and B. S. Washington, two attractive young ladies of Stem, were Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Sam Gattis, of Hillsboro, spent two days the past week with Mrs. W. D. Lynch on College street.

Miss Mary Lynch left Friday to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Thomas Joyner, at Franklinton.

Mrs. Norman Burwell returned some days ago from New York City where she spent several weeks studying art.

Gen. B. S. Royster was in Raleigh three days the past week on business connected with the Adjutant General's office.

Mr. S. H. Smith, one of Oxford's popular traveling salesmen, came in this week and will remain until after the holidays.

After spending ten days in Oxford and Granville with relatives and friends Mr. R. L. Bobbitt has returned to Washington City.

Mr. J. Y. Husketh, one of the thrifty young farmers of Brassfield town, who in Oxford Friday and called on the Public Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Daniel, of Culbreth, were in town Saturday morning shopping and they rode home in a new Taylor-Cannady Buggy.

Mr. George Grimsley, of Greensboro, spent Thursday with his sister, Mrs. T. L. Booth. The editor was greatly pleased to receive a call from him.

We are glad to have with us for the festive season of Mrs. Jas. Lassiter and son, of Holyoke, Mass., who are visiting Mrs. Katharine Lassiter, corner of High and Gilliam streets.

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming is on a visit to New York City and will remain until Christmas at Mrs. T. L. Booth, who is numbered among the best teachers in Oxford, has charge of Mrs. Fleming's grade in the Graded School during her absence.

New Books at Jackson's, Lovely Stationery at Jackson's.

Teachers' Institute.

We are informed by Mr. F. W. Hancock, Chairman of the Board of Education of the County, that there will be Teachers' Institute in Oxford for training and instructing teachers in the public schools of the county on January 9th, 1903. The meeting will be held in the Opera House, the gallery being set aside for colored teachers. Every teacher in the county will be expected to attend. Prof. Moses, of Raleigh, Prof. Stevens, of the A. & M., Raleigh, Prof. Alderman, of Henderson, Prof. Pearson, of the State Normal at Greensboro, and other speakers will address the teachers on that occasion. A complete programme of the institute will be published next week.

The First National Bank.

The First National Bank of Oxford is fast becoming the peoples bank as in 18 months its deposits has reached \$132,000. This Bank solicits the accounts of merchants, manufacturers, firms and individuals, and all business instructed to its care will receive prompt and accurate attention, and every facility and accommodation in keeping with good banking will be extended. Don't forget the fact that it pays 4 per cent. interest on time deposits, and that Uncle Sam keeps his eagle eye on its management.

From now till the first of January we offer remarkable values in shoes and dry goods. We will move our place of business on the first of January, as we must have larger quarters and want to make room for our large spring stock. In fact we will save you money on any class of merchandise that you may need. We are pushed for room and for the next twenty days your price is ours. Give us the opportunity and be convinced.

PAIHAM BROS. CO.

Receipts for Xmas Cakes and Pies.

Rx. Bakers Chocolate. Mixed Spices. Raisins. Currants.

Figs a (of each) q s (or any quantity) at Hamilton's drug store.

Roll of Honor For Month Ending Dec. 10, at Graded School.

FIRST GRADE—Section I. Nellie Glenn, Hallie Meadows, Josephine Webb, Esther Mitchell, Lucy Belle Day, Helen Sledge, Lucy Landis, John Koller, Kennon Taylor, Robert Callis.

SECTION—II.—Helen Paris, Mary Shaw, Virginia Carroll, Vanie Parham, Lucile Ellington, Alphus McCullen.

SECOND GRADE—James Taylor, Morehead Emmett, Lucy Wyatt, Sallie Webb, Ruth Mitchell, Uriel McCallen, Willie Blackwelder, Lillie Curran, Eva Chrisman, Oscar Ragland.

THIRD GRADE—Sophronia Cooper, Estelle Bullock, Esther Wyatt, Marie Medford, Irving Royster, Annie Walters, Pauline Howard, Lawrence McCullen, Willie Blackwelder, Lillie Curran, Eva Chrisman, Oscar Ragland.

FOURTH GRADE—Allene Minor, Selene Sledge, Susie Brown, Josephine Brown, Anna Ragland, Ellen Steagall, Lettie Hobgood, Norma Barwell, Isabel Fleming, Ruth Franklin, Sallie Baker, Virgie Pendleton, Ethel Day, Mary Cooper, Fanny Webb, Junison Parham, Jack Bullock, Leonard Mitchell, Thos. Royster, Hamlin Landis.

FIFTH GRADE—Lucy Smith, Willie Grimsley, Lillie White, Russell Webb.