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## Story of Local Events.

Moving Pictures of a Weeks Happenings.

—Oxford must go forward, so register at once.

—The Board of Education will meet next Monday.

—Newspaper advertising is incomparably the best and cheapest.

—The passenger and freight traffic over the new Seaboard connection is rapidly increasing.

—Messrs. W. B. Ballou and Lewis de Lacroix are having the inside of their residences repainted.

—The Masons held their regular communication Monday night, and enjoyed an interesting evening.

—Dr. T. L. Booth has gathered his fine crop of wild onions in his front yard, and will sow it down in lawn grass.

—There were a large number of people in town Monday attending the meeting of Board of County Commissioners.

—Have you registered for the town election? If you have not don't fail to go and see Mr. J. B. Roller and register at once.

—The cold wave Sunday night brought ice with it, and no doubt killed the fruit, and withered the early Irish potatoes.

—Oxford must go forward, so register and vote for the new measures that have been projected to greatly improve the town.

—Rev. J. M. Taylor, one of Granville's successful teachers, has decided to stop teaching and enter the evangelistic work.

—Wake up everybody and get to work for Oxford's prosperity, and vote for the men and measures that will push the town forward.

—Mr. J. N. Watkins has been appointed Justice of the Peace in Oak Hill Township in place of Mr. James Elliott resigned, and has qualified.

—You are asked to read change in T. W. Jackson's advertisement as he has Eastern notices for sale along with books and stationery.

—WANTED—We are in the market for 4-4 inch oak lumber. Good quality, for which we pay the market price. OXFORD FURNITURE CO.

—The bright and attractive Miss Lena Taylor is now at the delivery widow at the post office and will be sure to prove pleasant and accommodating.

—Holy week began Sunday the closing days of Lent, as Palm Sunday commemorates the eventful hour in the Saviour's life when He rode in triumph into Jerusalem as told in St. Matthew 21:8-9 verses.

—Stop kicking and get to work for your town! Do away with your little petty prejudices, and let all unite as one common brotherhood for the express purpose of making Oxford one of the very best towns in the "Good Old North State."

—Some of our people are talking about getting up a petition to have the whistle on the Oxford & Coast Line engine changed to a larger one, as they want the train to make more noise when it comes in order that the citizens may fully realize that we have a new railroad into Oxford.

—It is of vital importance to the business interest of Oxford that connection be made at Dickerson's with the local freight train from Durham, which reaches Dickerson's about 9 o'clock in the mornings. The schedule of the passenger train on the Coast Line now only gives farmers along the line of the Durham & Northern about one hour in Oxford.

—The editor is glad to learn that Johnnie Burris, an orphan boy who has made his home with Mr. Chas. H. Burnett at Hester, is making a man of himself, having realized the fact that he must rely upon his own exertions in order to succeed. He is a hard worker, and by economy has quite a snug bank account. We wish him continued success in the world, trusting that he will become an honor to the county and State.

—Average remark Tuesday and Wednesday was: "And still it rains."

—The Oxford Schools have commenced to get ready for commencement.

—The Easter services Sunday at St. Stephen's Episcopal church will as usual be very interesting.

—President Roosevelt is on a campaign tour of the West and is in contact with cold blizzards.

—The Public Ledger Job Office is now better equipped than ever to do commercial printing at lowest possible prices.

—Monday will be Easter holiday and if the weather is favorable the people will enjoy picnics in several parts of the county.

—If you don't believe that advertising in the Public Ledger pays ask Mr. T. W. Jackson, Oxford's most excellent confectioner.

—After one of the hardest fought battles in the history of Wilson Monday the Dispensary won the fight by a majority of 21 votes.

—Judge W. R. Allen is presiding over Person court this week, and we know the people of that county will be greatly pleased with him.

—The stockholders of the Oxford Cotton Mills met Tuesday afternoon in the business office at the mills. The same officers and Board of Directors were re-elected.

—It is a pleasure to the editor to say that the Public Ledger continues to add new subscribers each week, and truly thanks his friends for the interest they are taking in the paper.

—The editor wants all the boys and girls to read the advertisement of Mr. T. W. Jackson as they will find something in it that will benefit them, as he has 500 presents to give away.

—The Kinston Free Press, one of the best papers in Eastern Carolina, is of age, having reached its 21st birthday. Kinston's rapid strides is largely due to the Free Press under the wise management of the late Brother W. S. Herbert.

—The able and popular Judge W. R. Allen happened to spend last week at his home in Goldsboro and the good people of that grand old town entertained him at a banquet last Thursday night at the Hotel Kenon which was attended by Gov. Aycock and Justice H. G. Connor.

—Rev. F. W. Hilliard will hold service and preach in St. Peter's church, Goshen, on Sunday next, April 12th, (Easter Day) at 11 o'clock a. m. All persons are cordially invited to attend. On Good Friday, April 10th he will hold service and preach in St. Peter's church, Stovall, at 11:30 a. m.

—Dr. J. F. Sanderford, of Creedmoor, being a member of the Board of Education declined a reappointment as a member of the County Sanitary Board and Chairman Chas. F. Crews of the Board of Commissioners, appointed Dr. Wm. L. Taylor, the successful physician at Stovall, in his place.

—Susan Faulkner, a white woman 35 years of age, died suddenly in the back yard of Col. J. S. Carr late Monday evening. She had gone there for the purpose of asking alms and died as she was on her way from the back gate to the house. Mrs. Carr was sitting on the porch and saw her when she fell. Heart trouble was the cause of her death.—Durham Herald.

**OUR TOWN GOVERNMENT.**

Some Figures as to The Outgoing Town Administration.

We would call the attention of our readers to a few facts and figures relative to the work done by the outgoing administration in Oxford.

When Mr. Minor was elected Mayor of Oxford a little less than five years ago, besides the larger amounts raised the town was in debt for general expenses about two thousand dollars. This amount has been paid and also the running expenses during the above period. As to the larger amounts paid the town has paid off \$2,500 in bonds in the last five years. Previous to that time there had only been \$1,000 paid in ten years. In the four years just past there has been nearly \$3,000 spent in macadamizing streets, almost two miles of a modern, up-to-date 16 foot road bed having been made. The old, absolute machinery has been entirely replaced by an entirely new modern plant, at a cost of \$1,000. This modern machinery effected great economy in the cost of work. All this has been done in addition to the general town expenses; and at the same rate of tax. The only additional tax which has been imposed is the Graded School tax. For the present year the small pox epidemic has cost over \$500 and with the \$1,500 appropriated for laying out the new street to the Oxford & Coast Line depot, making a total of over \$2,000. This, of course, about exhausted all our surplus and no great amount of work could be done on the street.

Besides the work above mentioned there has been much valuable work done on the new cemetery, which has been greatly beautified and a nice wire fence placed around it. The total amount of taxes collected each year has been about \$8,780 and the following is a statement of the amount the town has to meet each year besides the general running expenses:

O. & C. Coupons	\$2,400.
Market House	350.
Graded School	2,250.
Fixed charges for salaries etc.	1,250.
Total	\$6,350.

This leaves only balance of \$1,330 with \$300 raised from other sources is \$1,630, only to work the streets and other necessary expenses.

We must say that the above makes a very good showing for our commissioners and Mayor. As they turn over the town's affairs into new hands they can present a clean record. They can give a good account of their stewardship with the means they had at their command.

**Marriage at Exchange Hotel.**

Mr. C. E. Moseley and Miss Annie W. Richards, two intelligent and popular young people of Mecklenburg county, Va., arrived in Oxford last Wednesday afternoon and stopped at the Exchange Hotel. They were accompanied by Messrs. J. W. Goode and Geo. Groover, of Chase City. These young gentlemen sought polite Register of Deeds Mayes and secured a marriage license, and their next point of destination was the home of Dr. R. H. Marsh, who accompanied them to the hotel and in the presence of a few witnesses joined Mr. Moseley and Miss Richards in heart and hand and sent them on life's journey happy in each others love. The bride is the grand-daughter of the late Rev. Thos. W. Greer, who married Dr. Marsh, and it was a pleasure to him to perform the ceremony.

**Former Oxonian in Luck.**

Mr. A. J. Feld is a man of many accomplishments. He is known as a lawyer, a student of history, an apt writer and a politician, being now secretary to the State Democratic executive committee. Now he has invented a box and tag for plug tobacco and had his scheme patented. Hancock, the well-known manufacturer, has already adopted the patent and H. T. Hicks' drug store here is Mr. Brandon, chief clerk in the establishment, says that the patent is really a great convenience since plug tobacco can be removed from the Feld box without breaking any part of the box and the plugs can be lifted out without boring with a cork screw or a knife.—Raleigh correspondent Charlotte Observer.

**Cadet to Annapolis.**

Congressman W. W. Kitchin has an appointment of a Cadet from this district to the Naval Academy at Annapolis and he is desirous of selecting a well-equipped young man between 15 and 20 years of age for the position after competitive examination of applicants. Any young man desiring to enter the contest can obtain full information on the subject by addressing Mr. Kitchin at Roxboro, N. C.

**Important Things to Have.**

The Public Ledger takes pleasure in calling the attention of all in need of high-grade phaetons, surreys, buggies and wagons to the page advertisement of Parham Bros. Co. which have been placed in their large emporium in car load lots. They are of the best makes, durable in construction and attractive in appearance, and can be bought at reasonable prices. Remember they can furnish nice harness to go with these vehicles. When you get ready to buy be sure and examine their large stock. This firm also carries a large stock of up-to-date dry goods, shoes, notions, men's and boys' furnishings, as well as fancy and heavy groceries in their two handsome stores. Remember Parham Bros. Co. are "Sellers of everything, makers of low prices."

**To the Democrats of Oxford:**

As announced in a circular letter a week or more ago I will be a candidate for Mayor before the convention on the night of the 9th.

I worked and voted for the graded school two years ago. I will work and vote for it this year. I believe that the teachers and superintendent should be paid promptly at the end of each month.

I will vote for the bond issue for waterworks.

I believe in macadamizing the streets and improving the sidewalks, keeping the cemeteries in order, honest labor in return for pay; that public office should be used for public good. I am opposed to all jobs and private snaps at the expense of the public.

JOHN P. STEDMAN.

**A Thoughtful Plan.**

M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind. knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at J. P. Stedman's drug store.

**NOTICE.**

Having been appointed Registrar for the town of Oxford, notice is hereby given that the registration books will be open in my office from the 28th day of March, 1903, to the 25th day of April, 1903, inclusive, for the purpose of registering voters for the regular municipal election in May, and for other purposes ordered by the Board of Commissioners.

A new registration has been ordered and persons who do not register cannot vote in this election.

J. B. ROLLER, Registrar.

March 28, 1903.

**Foley's Kidney Cure** makes kidneys and bladder right. Don't delay taking. For sale by K. L. Hamilton.

If you are going to use fertilizer it don't pay to buy any but the best, so see Bullock & Mitchell and get Baugh's.

Twenty varieties fine cakes and crackers varied today at Jacksons.

## CONVENTION THURSDAY NIGHT.

Upon Its Work Largely Depends the Future of Oxford.

The Democratic Convention of the town of Oxford has been called to meet in the court house this (Thursday) night for the purpose of nominating candidates for Mayor and Commissioners, and we urge every citizen to attend the convention and aid in nominating men who have the real interest of the town at heart. We need broad-gauged men, who have opinions of their own and the courage to stand by what they believe in.

We should each one remember that when we come into the convention Thursday night that our town's future may depend largely upon the men we nominate for Mayor and Commissioners. We ought, therefore, to consider the importance of the work of that night, allowing no differences that may exist to enter into the work of the convention.

With the completion of the new Oxford and Coast Line Railroad and the successful establishment of many new enterprises the prospect seems bright for a good healthy boom. This being so, let us throw nothing in the way of our progress. It is for us to decide by the men we select what kind of town government we have—whether progressive or not progressive. The growth and welfare of Oxford depends upon the way the affairs of the town are administered. We sometimes vainly imagine that our business interests and our politics are not connected. And more especially is it untrue in town affairs where municipal politics and the town's business are inseparably connected. The duties of our Town Commissioners are simply to pass on business questions and to guard the business interests of the town. How important then that they should be safe, progressive, business men. They should be men who will give us every improvement we are able to have and a clean administration.

Following closely the town convention, will come the election when we will have to vote on several questions which effect the vital interests of the town. The bond question—which will settle for a long time to come the question of some greatly needed conveniences—waterworks and electric lights. These two things mean well lighted streets, comfort, convenience, cleanliness and good health. But the thing nearest our heart is the graded school, the charter of which we vote on at this election. Every true citizen who has the welfare of Oxford at heart should stand by this school. It met with some opposition at first but now, we are glad to say, that many of its strong opponents at first are its best friends. Surely no man, with its past record and having seen the good it has brought us, will vote against it. Let us vote early and late on this question. Let us not only vote straight ourselves but use our influence for the school. This is a question which is for the good of all and should be carried unanimously. Let us all stand by the graded school!

**More Delivery Routes.**

The Rural Free Delivery routes in Granville have proved a great success, and there are three petitions to the Department for the establishment of three more routes, making six in all running out of Oxford. The post-office Department finds that in some parts of the county and elsewhere the people do not fully appreciate what the government has done for them, and have not put up as promised in petitions for routes improved boxes for the safe protection of mail matter. We urge the patrons on the several routes in the county to purchase these boxes as the Post-office Department is unable to suspend the routes on this account. These boxes can be bought at the Hardware store of Mr. C. H. Landis.

**Well Deserved Praise.**

We desire to commend our brother, E. W. Jones, Manager of the Printing Department of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, for the style, accuracy and splendid appearance of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Masons, session 1903, which he has just completed. Brother Jones has every reason to be proud of this work and deserves the graceful compliment paid him by Hon. John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary. We have no more careful, competent and tasty printer in the State than Brother Jones and we join his hosts of friends in best wishes for him.

**Pretty Desk Things.**

Surrounded by dainty environments, your thoughts flow out freely and gracefully to your friends. You no longer say "How can I begin?" but "Oh dear! I have to stop!" When you use the charming writing material we furnish handsome boxes, 25, 35, 40 and 50c per box at Hall's drug store.

Baugh's fertilizers are the best on the market. For sale by Bullock & Mitchell.

Use Bug-I-Cide or nothing. There is nothing else "just as good."

FOR SALE.—One hundred bushels seed sweet potatoes. 4-2-2pt. M. B. HOBGOOD.

**On The Move.**

Items About People Who Come and Who Go.

—Judge Graham was in Norfolk Thursday.

—Dr. S. D. Booth is on a visit to Richmond.

—Dr. J. G. Hunt was in Raleigh yesterday on business.

—Mr. C. J. Roberts, of Knap of Reeds, was an Oxford visitor Friday.

—Mrs. A. A. Chapman left Friday to join Mr. Chapman in West Virginia.

—Messrs. Will Suit and Carl Cozart, of Dutchville, were on our streets Friday.

—Mr. Louis de Lacroix was in Mecklenburg county, Va., Friday, on business.

—Mrs. E. T. White and B. K. Hays and Mayor S. W. Minor were in Raleigh Friday.

—Dr. Morris, of Wilton, and Dr. Watkins, of Cornwall, were on our streets Monday.

—Mr. C. D. Osborn, the veteran Furniture Tourist, is at home after a successful trip.

—Mr. T. B. Newton, of Cornwall, was in town Saturday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. L. S. Sizemore, of Nunn, Va., was in Oxford Monday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. and Mrs. Badger Hicks, of Berea, were in town Thursday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. S. H. Smith, the successful buggy drummer, is in Oxford a few days visiting his son Wilbur.

—Mr. J. W. Brown is attending the Republican State Executive Committee meeting at Greensboro today.

—Mr. C. H. Burnett, of Hester, was in Oxford Thursday and the editor was much pleased to receive a call from him.

—Mr. H. G. Duke will soon leave Oxford for Claremont, Va., where he will take charge of a wagon factory for Mr. U. J. Russell.

—Squire C. L. Lewis, of Stovall, was in Oxford Friday afternoon, and said that his little town was rapidly coming to the front.

—Dr. J. F. Sanderford, of Creedmoor, and Mr. G. B. Royster, of Buchanan, members of the Board of Education were in Oxford Monday.

—Postoffice inspector F. N. Davis, who ranks among the most efficient in the service, was in Oxford yesterday. Wonder who he is after now?

—The Misses Harris, the intelligent and attractive daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harris, of Henderson, are visiting their uncle, Senator A. A. Hicks, on College street. These young ladies being accomplished musicians added greatly to the services at the Methodist church Sunday by assisting the choir with violin and voices.

**Easter Services.**

Preparations are being made by the Methodist Sunday school to furnish a very attractive program for their Easter services. The regular order of exercises will be entirely done away with and instead at the regular hour (9:30 a. m.) the special program will take its place.

Good music is in store for those who may attend, and Rev. Plato Durham has been invited to address the school. The exercises will be held in the main audience room, and we are requested to say that the general public are cordially invited to attend. We feel that we can assure all that they will be fully repaid by attending these Easter exercises.

**Notice.**

I hereby forbid any one hiring or harboring Lennie Lyon, who has left my employment without cause. This April 7, 1903. R. G. STEM.

**Letter to Chas. A. Behlen, Oxford, N. C.**

Dear Sir: Everybody considers painting a necessary nuisance, and you are probably no exception. You can't abolish it altogether; but you can make it come half as often, and cost only two-thirds as much each time, and have your house look better all the time.

Everybody knows that the sea-shore is hard on paint. The Farrington residence at Rockland, Maine, a sea coast town, was painted with Devco seventeen years ago. The house has never been repainted, and seems to be well painted yet.

If you want to take the trouble to be convinced, we can send you a hundred other instances; but none so striking as this.

This is not all. Devco Lead and Zinc not only wears longer, but it paints more square feet to the gallon than any other paint—especially mixed paints. It is the "fewer gallons; wears longer" paint.

Yours truly,  
F. W. DEVCO & Co.,  
New York.

P. S.—J. F. Edwards sells our paint.

Florida Tomatoes at Jacksons.

**Florida Tomatoes at Jacksons.**

**CAPUDINE**

Cures COLDS, LA GRIPPE, and all HEADACHES, etc. SOLD AT ALL DRUG STORES.

**Limeade.**

Limeade, Limeade, and all the best drinks at JACKSON'S FOUNTAIN.

**How Men Become Rich!**

THE amount of money a man MAKES is not the question. It is the amount he SAVES that makes him rich.

Numerous small savings finally terminate into large accumulations. The true solution to this question is easily seen and understood by those who trade with R. L. Hamilton, the Druggist, and take advantage of his CASH REBATE system. It is the most modern and up-to-date system yet introduced and saves you 5 per cent. of your money on all cash purchases at his drug store, no matter how large or how small your purchase.

If you do not understand this, read carefully one of the rebate tickets from his new cash register and it will explain it all.

Hamilton always looks well to the ADVANTAGES of his customers as well as to his own.

Give him a call at once and you will repeat it soon. He keeps everything that is usually kept in a first-class drug store.

**A Weak Back Plaster.**

**REX Porous Plaster**

Put it on your back. Put it on your chest. Put it anywhere you will get an ache or a pain, and you will be surprised at the result.

FOR SALE BY

**R. L. HAMILTON,**  
Next to P. O., Oxford, N. C.

"All things come to those that hustle while they wait."

**JACKSON,**  
The Up-to-Date Confectioner,  
Stationer and Book Seller.

Is always hustling to find the goods that will please the people. The following new books now in stock:

Lady Roses Daughter, by Mrs. Humphrey Ward.

The Substitute, by Will N. Harben.

Lovely Mary, by Alice Hagan Rice.

Temporal Power, by Marie Correlli.

The Just and the Unjust, The Shadow of the Czar, Donovan Pascha, The Diary of a Goose Girl, The Book of Joyous Children, Bikes and Skycycle, and others.

We take pleasure in ordering any book, magazine or piece of sheet music not in stock.

**Easter Goods.**

Easter Eggs, Easter Cards and Easter Toys, Novelities, etc., all new and attractive goods.

**For the Children.**

Every child making a 5-cent cash purchase of anything will be presented with a nice little souvenir toy. We only have 500 of these, and as long as they last every child purchaser receives one free.

**Lowney's Candies.**

Just see our lovely line opened this week. To see is to buy. Nothing so good as Lowney's.

**Cakes and Crackers.**

You want the best. We have them. Twenty-five varieties. The product of the National Biscuit Co. We haven't space to make a list. This week's 'Phone your order. 'Phone 35.

## Glorious Spring!

Another season of activity is here, and we are reveling in it—for our store was never so well stocked, or in such ship-shape condition. We invite you to make this your trading center for all drug store goods. Need we say that Prescriptions have our closest personal attention and in the compounding of them we use none but the highest grade pure and unadulterated, fresh drugs? No substituting is practiced or ever permitted. When a physician writes a prescription and it is brought to us, the medicine is prepared exactly as directed on the prescription. Furthermore, our prices are always reasonable. Allow us to do your prescription work.

**Hall's Drug Store,**  
Main St. 'Phone 72.

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I have just received a new line of Jewelry—  
Brooches,  
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A nice selection of Rings.  
New lot of Cut Glass and Solid Silverware.  
Oxford Souvenir Spoons.  
Special attention to repairing.  
Yours respectfully,

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