

Story of Local Events.

Moving Pictures of a Weeks Happenings.

—Mr. Pete Bullock has had his house repainted.

—Taxes come and go but rebates are always with us.

—It is indeed a wise man who knows his own business.

—Is it not straining sweetness to kiss a pretty girl through a veil?

—If you've anything to offer that will aid the cause of right, speak it out!

—If you've any truth within you that will lend the world a light, speak it out!

—The repainting of the woodwork has added greatly to the looks of the Baptist church.

—Owing to the continued rains the farmers are much disheartened as to the prospects of a crop.

—Mr. James Powell is erecting a new fence around his lot on the corner of Front and Raleigh streets.

—Now plant your gardens nicely so that your neighbors chickens may be well fed for the next few weeks.

—Mr. L. N. Day has caught the spirit of improvement and has added a new room to his residence, as well as making other repairs.

—Danville, Va., a few days ago voted out bar rooms by a majority of 203. The temperance wave has also struck Virginia as the Legislature has passed a bill similar to the Watts bill in this State.

—The world is full of reformers who need reforming. The wonder is that they have never discovered a method by which to deal with themselves, while they are prolific of schemes to set others right.

—Mr. A. B. Tilley and Miss Kittie Morgan, both of the Berea section, were married at the Osborn House last Wednesday afternoon in the presence of a few friends. The editor looks forward in wishing them a happy wedded life.

—Poor Fayetteville. After all the trouble she has had for the last few years over the liquor question to find now that there has been a blockade still in full blast almost within her corporate limits. It is too bad.

—Wilmington Messenger.

—The tobacco trust has a great swallow. It has now swallowed the T. C. Williams Tobacco Company, of Richmond, one of the biggest independent concerns in America. If not the biggest. The trust paid \$4,000,000 for it. That is another blow to the tobacco growers.—News & Observer.

—Congressman W. W. Kitchin, one of the most talented orators in this State, has accepted the invitation to deliver the annual address at the commencement exercises of the Charlotte graded schools. The commencement exercises will take place the night of the 19th of May in the auditorium of the Presbyterian College.

—A revenue man said the other day during a trial in court that he did not so much mind the defendant being acquitted as the fact that he, the revenue man was taken for a dog while watching from the brush and was shot at. He says it actually happened but he never dreamed it would come out in court.—Greensboro Record.

—Mr. Gus Frazier, one of the good citizens of Walnut Grove Township, was gathered to rest Thursday last and was buried Friday by the Masons, of which order he was an honored member. He was a true man in all the walks of life and greatly esteemed by all who knew him. May he rest in peace. The editor extends deep sympathy to the bereaved family.

—The young people of Oxford divided on Monday. Some picniced at Cheatham's pond while others went out to the pond of Mr. J. M. Curran's not far from Emom. Of course they had a royal good time even if the down pour of rain did flop pretty new hats and stylish new dresses and new suits of clothes, causing them to stick close to the wearers.

—Dr. B. K. Hays was called in a few days ago to see the 8 months old child of Alfred Young, colored, as it seemed to be suffering greatly with its throat. On examination he found that the child had attempted to swallow a safety pin which must have been open, and it stuck in its throat some depth. Dr. Hays pulled it out and at last accounts the child was getting along nicely.

—Mr. James Roy Callis and Miss Lizzie Parham, daughter of Mr. Will O. Farham, were married by Rev. H. H. Marsh, April 9th, 1903, in Oxford. Mr. Callis is a young man of exceptionally good habits and character, and with the support and assistance of a companion of special worth and amiability he will doubtless meet the high expectations of a large circle of devoted friends.

—Mr. J. S. Hunt, one of the proprietors of the Farmers Warehouse, has decided to enter the Warehouse business at Darlington, S. C., the coming season. He will have a new house, for the building of which Mr. A. B. Spencer has the contract. Mr. Hunt is one of our best tobaccoists and popular citizens, and while we more than regret to give him up, we wish him every success in his new home.

—Sweet Potato Seed for Sale.

I have for sale 50 bushels of genuine jewel yams seed potato seed. Apply to C. D. MORRIS, near 1tpd. Wilton, N. C.

—Fine bananas, seedless oranges and nice crisp apples, the kind you like to eat, at Jacksons.

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—Twenty varieties fine cakes and crackers arrived today at Jacksons.

Important to People of Oxford

Owing to the fact that the Charter of the Graded School passed by the Legislature says that the vote upon its adoption shall take place on the first Monday in May, it is highly important that every citizen in town should bear this fact in mind. Register and be at the polls on that day and vote for the interest of the dear girls and boys of Oxford. We urge you not to forget them on the first Monday in May. The next day you will vote for town officers and on the bond question.

BEAUTIFUL EASTER SERVICE.

Inspiring Music and Impressive Sermon at St. Stephen's Church.

All over Christendom Easter is a day of rejoicing. It commemorates a most gracious and far-reaching event in the Christian church and in the world's history. The central figure of all history is Jesus Christ, of Nazareth. The central and most significant event in his life is his resurrection. Without his resurrection His birth and His great life meant little. His resurrection attests His words and his life. How appropriate then, that we, his followers should celebrate the great event of His resurrection. The practice is a proper one and must even remain dear to the disciples of Christ.

Beautiful Easteride is a season of beauty, gaiety and rejoicing. As gentle spring unfolds its fragrant petals the scene is one of beauty and gladness. The birds and all animate creations also tell of the return of spring. The flowers from the earth have arisen; They are singing their Easter-song; Up the valleys and over the hillsides They come, an unnumbered throng. Oh, listen! The wild-flowers are singing Their beautiful songs without words! They are pouring the soul of their music Through the voices of happy birds.

The Easter services held at Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church Sunday morning were beautiful and impressive. The church was lastly decorated with lilies, ferns, palms, and flowers. The music for this occasion was the sweetest we have heard in the church in years. Mrs. Jerome C. Horner presided at the large, sweet-toned organ, assisted by Mrs. Robt. W. Lassiter, who rendered most delightful music. The ladies of the splendid choir were all gowned in white, which with the rare decorations about the chancel, presented a scene of great beauty.

Rev. R. B. Owens, an excellent and beloved pastor, selected as his subject The risen Lord, which was greatly enjoyed by the large congregation. The mission offering amounted to about \$100. After the sermon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

The service was in every way most complete, beautiful and impressive, the singing grand and the music excellently rendered.

As to the Easter clothes worn in Oxford last Sabbath they were greeted in lively and happy fashion. The lovely Easter effects in dress goods, the Easter bonnets and catchy parasols, the straw hats for men and boys, and last the knobby sack suits which take the place of the more conventional cuts, "dandy" clothes, adorned such beautiful creatures which need little adorning save what nature gave them. Though we are older than we used to be the effects still entrancing to us.

The children's services in the afternoon were also a pleasing feature of the day, as the little ones seemed to take much interest in the service and enjoyed it very much. Their sweet little voices joined in the joyous Easter hymns in strains of sweetest melody, giving their little hearts along with the others in their service of song and praise. The children are always among the most interesting and useful, in church work and service.

Death of Mrs. E. D. Lyon.

Easter brought sorrow and tears into the home of our most highly esteemed friend, Mr. E. D. Lyon, of Creedmoor, as the Angel of Death visited his home Sunday and plucked the wife of his bosom after only three days illness.

On Thursday morning Mrs. Lyon seemed in her usual health, and attended to her household duties, and after breakfast Mr. Lyon went to the lot to look after his stock and on his return found his beloved wife prostrate from an attack of paralysis. He hurriedly summoned Dr. J. F. Sanderford, who did all in his power to stay the disease, but Mrs. Lyon continued to sink until the end came Sunday, surrounded by loved ones. She was the oldest daughter of the late W. L. Mitchell, and leaves behind a devoted husband, several children, mother, two sisters, two brothers, and many relatives to mourn her almost sudden death.

Mrs. Lyon was a member of Bullock Methodist church and ever remained faithful to her profession, adorning the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ in a life of godliness which has now been crowned with the fullness of joy in the Father's "well done." As a wife, mother, daughter, friend and neighbor she was loving and true.

"Servant of God well done, Rest from thy loved employ; The battle fought, the victory won, Enter thy Master's joy."

The interment took place Monday afternoon at the old home place amid the tears of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends.

To the bereaved husband, children and relatives the editor extends his deepest sympathy in the hour of their great grief.

A Thoughtful Man.

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.

If you want to make good, rich, heavy tobacco get Baugh's fertilizers. They are the strongest on the market. For sale by Bullock & Mitchell.

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LOUIS DE LACROIX.

THE TOWN CONVENTION.

Largely Attended—Mr. W. A. Devin Nominated for Mayor—Hon. A. W. Graham Chairman.

Pursuant to the call of the Executive Committee the Democratic Convention for the town of Oxford was held in the court house on last Thursday night. The meeting was called to order by Maj. Will Landis, Chairman of the Executive Committee. Judge A. W. Graham was made Chairman and Mr. Wm. H. Harrison Secretary. The chair asked Messrs. Frank Gregory, A. S. Hall and Dr. J. G. Hunt to act as tellers.

The Chairman then announced the object of the convention, which was to nominate a candidate for Mayor and candidates for Town Commissioners. There were two candidates before the convention for Mayor—Mr. Wm. A. Devin and Dr. John P. Stedman. Mr. Devin was very gracefully nominated by Dr. J. G. Hunt and seconded by A. A. Hicks, Esq., who made a short speech in favor of his friend. Mr. Stedman was nominated by Mr. Walter P. Stradley, who spoke for about ten minutes, making a very eloquent speech in favor of his friend. Mr. Stradley has the gifts of an orator and on this occasion he displayed them well. We have heard his effort much complimented.

The first ballot resulted in the nomination of Mr. Devin, he having received 125 votes and Dr. Stedman 67. Before the vote was announced Dr. Stedman arose and moved that the nomination be made unanimous, which was done amidst rapturous applause.

Only two ballots were taken for Commissioners, four being nominated on the first ballot, and three on the second. The following are the Commissioners nominated: W. Z. Mitchell, W. H. Hunt, J. P. Stedman, C. H. Landis, E. H. Crenshaw, J. R. Wood and S. W. Minor. Messrs. Mitchell and Hunt are members of the present Board of Commissioners and the fact that they led the ticket in the nomination and were again honored shows that their services were appreciated and their course endorsed by the people.

The convention was entirely harmonious, there being not a discordant note among the large assemblage of voters. True there were some honest differences of opinion, but there was no discordant wrangling. The convention was largely attended, even more so than usual.

The Chairman then the old committee as the Executive Committee for the next two years, consisting of Maj. Wm. Landis, Mr. C. A. Carroll and Dr. B. K. Hays.

As to the candidates nominated we believe that they will serve the town well. The names for Mayor, Captain Devin, is well known to our people, being raised among us. He is a rising young lawyer of splendid parts, honest, capable, safe and conservative. We believe that he will discharge his duty to the best of his ability.

The nominees for Commissioners are well known, broad-gauged men in business circles. They are men of affairs who have been successful in their own business and will, no doubt, conduct the business of the town well. We believe the ticket will give general satisfaction to our people.

Let us all turn out on election day and give them the biggest vote ever polled in Oxford. Let us break the record.

Compliments Dr. J. P. Stedman's Card.

Last Friday's News and Observer copied Dr. J. P. Stedman's card to the Democrats of Oxford, in last week's Public Ledger, and made the following comments thereon:

It is along the right line in that the candidate defines his position upon local questions and tells what he will do if elected. The voters know exactly where Mr. Stedman stands and what to expect if elected. There is too much generalization upon the part of most candidates. The card consists too often of glittering generalities and when elected, if elected, nobody knows what to expect of them. The people ought to quit electing men to any office without knowing that they will be true to their oath of office and without requiring of them a straightforward declaration of their position upon the matters with which they will have immediately to deal with if elected.

Complimentary to Col. Frank Hobgood.

J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder, says the following high compliment to one of Oxford's former citizens, Col. F. P. Hobgood:

I left home Thursday afternoon bound for Asheville. From Raleigh to Greensboro I had the pleasure of sharing a seat with my friend, Col. F. P. Hobgood, who was returning from the Supreme Court. Colonel Hobgood is not President. He is one of the most gifted representatives of the younger men of the South, and I look to see him adorn not only the Profession of Law but to grace the Bench of North Carolina. He was enthusiastic upon four subjects—Greensboro, Dr. Battle, a certain candidate for the office of Governor not to be named just yet, and the Law. Dr. Battle, he said, has already won the heart of Greensboro, and our church there is accordingly uplifted with joy and hope.

First National Bank of Oxford.

We call the attention of our readers to the statement of the First National Bank of Oxford in another column. This bank continues to grow in business as it is safely and wisely managed under the direction of President R. W. Lassiter, as the statement shows. The bank is sound in every particular, and in collecting accounts and business from the public it offers safety and security equal to any other banking house and pays 4 per cent. on time deposits. It has made a fine record for accommodation and straightforward dealing, and is in every way worthy of the confidence of the people, and it will serve them well. We are glad to know that this bank is in such a healthy condition and the prospects for its usefulness so bright.

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

ATHENEUM LECTURE.

Dr. Henry Lewis Smith, President of Davidson College, came to Oxford on Monday to deliver a lecture under the auspices of the Oxford Athenaeum. The heavy rain on Monday night caused the lecture to be postponed until Tuesday morning, when, in the chapel of The Francis Hilliard School, a small but cultured audience greeted the speaker.

Dr. Smith took for his subject "The Birth and Death of a World." He traced the natural life history of a plant from infancy through its various stages of development and decay. He thinks the planet Mars inhabited long ago more highly developed than ourselves.

Dr. Smith is not only a fluent and graceful speaker, but in the realms of science it is easily seen that he is a master. The lecture was regarded by those who heard it as one of the strongest ever delivered in Oxford.

A beginning is half the battle in an oral or written argument. You can't do yourself justice with a poor pen or old thick ink, you want the best. The Stationery must be right and every adjunct of the proper character. Our stationery, inks, pens and pencils are the best ever handled, at Hall's drug store.

If you want to make good tobacco use Baugh's fertilizer. For sale by Bullock & Mitchell.

On The Move.

Items About People Who Come and Who Go.

—Mr. J. E. Porter enjoyed Easter in Raleigh.

—Mr. A. A. Lyon, of Lyon, was in town Wednesday.

—Mrs. B. F. Hobgood is on a visit to relatives in Norfolk.

—Mr. Luther Stark returned to Rocky Mount Monday.

—Miss Kate Cannady left Monday for Wilson to visit friends.

—Mr. Benahan Cameron, of Stagsville, was in Oxford Friday.

—Mr. Claude Hunter, of Henderson, was on our streets Monday.

—Rev. J. E. Wool is attending the Presbytery at Kinston this week.

—Mr. Crawford Biggs, of Durham, was in Oxford Sunday afternoon.

—Mr. Ben Lassiter came in Friday from the University to enjoy Easter at home.

—Miss Eleanor West, of Raleigh, is visiting Miss Jennette Biggs on Hillsboro street.

—Mr. S. H. Smith was in town on Tuesday and left in the evening for Augusta, Ga.

—Mr. J. C. Kittrell, a young lawyer of Henderson, was in Oxford a few hours Friday.

—Mr. F. P. West, near Oxford, was in town Tuesday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. Marvin Minor came in from Raleigh Saturday to enjoy Easter with home folks.

—Mr. R. H. Pleasant, of Pleasant, was in town Monday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Shotwell and daughter, Miss Mary, were Oxford visitors Monday.

—Miss Margaret Ferguson, of the Baptist University, joined her friends in Oxford Easter.

—Messrs. Penn Thomas and Littlejohn Taylor, of Henderson, spent Sunday in Oxford.

—Mr. W. A. Thomasson, of Stem, was in Oxford Friday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. John Hardaway, of Wake Forest College, enjoyed Easter in Oxford with his parents.

—Miss Ida Nunn and Mr. E. H. Eastwood, of Buchanan, were Oxford visitors Saturday.

—Mr. J. E. Hester, of Dutchville township, was on our streets Thursday and called at this office.

—Mrs. C. B. Edwards, of Raleigh, is on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Chamblee, on Raleigh street.

—Mr. Sam Webb, of Graham, was the guest of Judge and Mrs. A. W. Graham Sunday and Monday.

—Mr. R. W. Lassiter returned Saturday from an extended business trip to Chicago, Boston and Buffalo.

—Miss Magdalene Landis, of Henderson, and Miss Belle Thorp, of Oak Hill, are the guests of Mrs. C. H. Landis.

—Mr. and Mrs. Willie Russell, of Weldon, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. A. Webb several days the past week.

—Miss Nettie Gregory has returned from Richmond where she has been taking a course in type writing and stenography.

—Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and daughter, of Richmond, were the pleasant guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown the past week.

—General B. S. Royster was in Washington City a few days the past week looking after the interests of the State Guard.

—Mrs. Royal Shannonhouse (nee Miss Martha Fredrickson) will arrive in Oxford to-morrow on a visit to Mrs. Louis de Lacroix.

—Miss Annie Fleming returned from Raleigh Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Sheriff and Mrs. S. A. Fleming.

—Mr. Ed Rollins, one of the bustling proprietors of the Durham Herald, was among the visitors to our town Sunday and Monday.

—Mr. Wm. H. Harrison left Tuesday to spend the balance of the week with homefolks at Smithfield, and we wish him a pleasant visit.

—Mr. F. W. Hancock returned Saturday from attending the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Royal Arcanum at Wilson. He was elected Grand Guide.

—Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Cannady arrived in Oxford Saturday afternoon from New York City, and their many friends are pleased to know that they will remain some time.

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Temporal Power, by Marie Corelli.

The Just and the Unjust, The Shadow of the Czar, Donovan Pascha, The Diary of a Goose Girl, The Book of Joyous Children, Bikey and Skycicle, 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, Novelties, 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.

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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. Phone your order. Phone 35.

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