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Little Pick-ups.

Some Interesting News Items in This Column.

—A man never hugs a delusion hard enough to choke it to death.

—Nobody thinks of going early to the cemetery to avoid the rush.

—If wealth does not bring happiness, puts up a pretty good imitation.

—Baird & Chamblee dealers in hides are not necessarily conducting a skin game.

—Mrs. Lucy Powell, who has been seriously ill, will be pleased to learn it is much better.

—It might be a surprise to some butchers to learn that there are 16 ounces to the pound.

—This should be a good crop year. The ground has been frozen since the middle of November.

—Mrs. Roy Currin, of Walnut Grove township, who has been numbered with the sick, is about well.

—Most people would rather blame a man for what he doesn't than give him credit for what he does.

—The saved dollar soon begins to crave company. Oxford Savings Bank in the Bank of Granville.

—The greatest trouble with the average reformer is that he begins work too far away from home.

—According to tradition, there is to be a late spring and lots of cold weather before the winter is over.

—When a ship gets plentiful there will doubtless be signs about the country, "Don't Fall on This Farm."

—Unless the signs fall there will be a good grain crop this year, which will prove a great blessing to the farmers of this section.

—It is no use calling a man "brother" at the church door if you are not going to look on him as a brother at your own door.

—Some people who regret that they didn't buy cotton recently haven't half as much to regret as some of those who did buy.

—The many friends of Col. and Mrs. W. B. Ballou will be glad to learn that their little son, who has been quite ill, is rapidly convalescing.

—Mr. Ollie Crabtree and Miss Cora Kelth, of Granville county, were married last Wednesday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alpheus Kelth.

Have You a Hobby?

Of course you have a hobby—it's a desire for good things, and you don't want to pay too much for them. We have a hobby and it's a desire to furnish the best things we can for the money.

Just received a nice lot of Hair Brushes, Tooth Brushes, Nail Brushes, Clothes Brushes and Whisk Brooms.

Our 10c. tooth and 5c. hair brushes are richly worth 50 per cent. more than we sell them for.

Just received a nice lot of apples, some of them Albemarle Pippins, the kind that Queen Victoria always bought on account of their exquisite flavor.

We also have Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Coconuts.

A FRESH lot of Candies, plain and French. Royster and De Wolfe Package Candy from 10c. to \$2.50—extra fancy boxes.

Salted peanuts and peanuts not salted.

Of course you know the place.

J. G. HALL,
Druggist

"We Hold Thee Safe."



The Man With the Hoe

Is the man that enjoys comfort from his life's work, if he has been thrifty enough to save his earnings and get the interest on his money from a good savings bank. Preserve yourself from want in your old age by saving your money when you are young and strong.

THE FIRST National Bank,
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A Revelation to Coffee Drinkers

The "Marion Harland" COFFEE AND TEA POT

"It is the Best."



"All hail the cup that brings good cheer, And never makes our words or actions queer."

Sold by J. F. Edwards.

—The Musical Club was royally entertained Monday afternoon by Mrs. J. C. Horner.

—All lovers of comfort and ease in riding should read the advertisement of C. A. Behlen.

—Sheriff Howard is sitting daily at the seat of custom waiting to give you a tax receipt.

—Don't forget to read the change in the advertisement of R. L. Hamilton, the popular druggist.

—We regret to learn that Dr. R. H. Marsh is confined to his room with the grip and wish him a rapid recovery.

—If that Wilson court did not compromise with the criminals then we do not know what to call it.—Durham Herald.

—The editor has a one-horse power kerosene engine in good order for sale at a low price, which he has replaced with a splendid three-horse power motor.

—Russia wants to borrow \$200,000,000 capital stock to build war ships, but everybody is afraid that Japan might water the stock.—Wilmington Star.

—Mr. Sam Currin, of Stovall, was in Oxford Tuesday and the editor was sorry to learn from him that the health of Mr. "Toody" Gregory continues bad, and he is still confined to his room.

—On Tuesday night the Wake Forest Glee Club under the management of Mr. Darius Eatman gave a very fine entertainment at Opera House which was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

—Some days ago one of the convicts from Vance, who, on account of his department, was made a "trusty" by Superintendent Roberts, walked off from the camp at Hester and has not been heard from.

—Mr. Lawson Forsythe, of the Knop of Reeds section, was brought to the pest house a few days ago and has developed a bad case of small-pox. So far as known there are no new cases of the disease in that section.

—Mr. T. K. Daniel, of Hargrove, was on the large break of tobacco Tuesday and was greatly pleased at the prices he received for a load of tobacco at the Minor warehouse, which were as follows: \$12, 33%, 40, 17% and 11%. His check called for \$306.13.

—The Russian sympathizer in the present unpleasantness with Japan is even scarier than Spanish sympathizers in our late Spanish trouble. The world loves a fighter. The Japs have changed from a hermit to a fighting power so rapidly that all the world wonders.

—Master Shepard Booth gave a "Sunny Jim" party Tuesday afternoon and forty bright little boys and girls of the second grade of the graded school were there in all their glory rigged in their best clothes. They of course had a glorious time and voted Shepard a charming host.

—Charlotte Observer says North Carolinians should not forget that the ports of Japan were opened during the administration of the Navy Department by a distinguished North Carolinian, the Hon. William A. Graham. Secretary of the Navy in the cabinet of President Fillmore.

—Mr. J. L. Haskins and sons, of Hester section, sold four loads of tobacco at the Banner warehouse Tuesday and captured \$1,044. Several of the piles contained three and four hundred pounds and fetched \$40 per hundred. How is this for high averages on the Oxford market and Bullock & Mitchell as sellers of the weed? They are hard to excel on high prices.

—Ben Turner was killed near Dave Friddle's home Saturday night near Reidsville. Sunday morning a stray mule was found and the dead man's brother, John Turner, was walking around without his hat. The evidence at the coroner's inquest was that the brothers had met at Madison for a settlement. A dispute followed, and John Turner put a bullet through Ben Turner's head. The slayer is in jail.

—The many friends of Mrs. N. G. Longmire will be pained to learn of her death, which occurred Monday night after a short illness of pneumonia. She was most highly esteemed by all who knew her, and was a devoted wife, loving mother, kind neighbor and christian. Her remains were carried to Fishing Creek Township and interred in the family graveyard. May the Lord comfort and sustain the sorrow-stricken husband, children and relatives in the trying hour.

TOWNSHIP ROAD SUPERVISORS.

They Were Appointed at the Last Meeting of County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners at their last regular meeting appointed supervisors of the public roads of the several townships of the county and adopted the following plan for working the roads: The three supervisors appointed in each township shall have control of all the roads and hands in said township and shall meet twice a year on a day to be fixed by them, and at each meeting they shall select and recommend to the commissioners for appointment, such additional supervisors as they may deem advisable, assign to such supervisors certain sections of roads and designate the hands to work on the same. The three supervisors thus appointed shall be paid one dollar and half per day for the two days they meet and in addition to this one of the three shall make reports in person to the commissioners twice a year of the condition of the roads in the township and for such reports he is to be paid one dollar and a half a day. The supervisors selected by these three shall have charge of warning the hands and working the roads and for such services they shall be paid fifty cents for warning in the hands but they shall not be paid anything for the days they are engaged in working the roads.

The township supervisors are:

Fishing Creek—J. R. Itten, D. G. Brummitt and W. A. Parham.

Brassfield—W. H. Green, G. L. Allen and W. P. White.

Dutchville—J. D. Tilly, T. M. Thomason, M. L. Coley.

Tally Ho—L. L. Crews, J. L. Carrington and W. T. Allen.

Walnut Grove—J. G. Shotwell, R. W. Holgood and J. F. Cole.

Oak Hill—D. T. Winston, J. P. Stovall and J. N. Watkins.

Sassafras Fork—W. L. Taylor, I. T. Green and C. L. Lewis.

Salem—B. I. Breedlove, E. A. Hunt and R. C. Puckett.

Oxford—A. C. Parham, W. L. Ragland and W. T. Lyon.

Under this plan the cost of working the roads will be greatly reduced and it is hoped that the citizens of the several townships will manifest enough interest in road improvement to co-operate with the commissioners in carrying into practical operation the plan. This is a matter in which all the people are vitally interested and to accomplish the best results and to secure the greatest good for the money spent it will be necessary for the best people to make sacrifices. We feel confident that a sufficient number of public spirited men will be found in each township to undertake this great work. All of us owe certain obligations to the public and there is here given an opportunity for the several townships to preserve better roads at a very small sacrifice to a few individuals.

Let every township rally to the support of the Commissioners and make 1904 a year of progress in road improvement in the county one long to be remembered.

Enforce the Law.

For the looks of the town the Public Ledger is sorry to see that the ordinance prohibiting the blocking of sidewalks and streets with boxes, etc., is a "dead letter" as it is not enforced. In one of the most public places in town a pile of boxes, barrels, plunder, etc., has been allowed to remain for weeks, and has become an eye sore and should be removed at once. Enforce the ordinance, Mr. Mayor, as we have heard strangers comment upon that same sad pile of rubbish, which detracts so much from the looks of the principal thoroughfares of Oxford.

New Rector of St. Stephen's Church.

Rev. Geo. M. Tolson, the new Rector of St. Stephen's church, occupied for the first time his pulpit Sunday morning and evening, February 7th. We are glad to say that the church and the community at large were much pleased with his sermons, and he is considered the ablest Rector that St. Stephen's church has had in a number of years.

Mr. Tolson came from Charlotte here, where he had charge of the principal mission of that city. We are informed that he did a good work in Charlotte and that his congregation there gave him up with much reluctance; and we bespeak for him a high measure of success and popularity in Oxford. If we can judge of this by his first efforts and his reception among the people he certainly will attain thereto. We regret to learn of his illness for the past few days which prevented his holding services last Sunday, which were conducted by Rev. F. W. Hilliard. He is now much improved and able to be out again.

Mr. Tolson and his little son, Meredith, have taken rooms at the home of Mrs. Landis, on College street.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c at J. G. Hall's.

"Blue Ribbon" extract "best ever made" for sale at all fancy grocers. Feb. 4

A Card of Thanks.

We thank the good people of Oxford who worked so faithfully on Tuesday morning to save our house from fire.

MR. AND MRS. J. A. WEBB.

Big Sales of Tobacco.

—The Minor Warehouse has become a regular hummer on high averages as S. W. Cooper sold Tuesday 30,185 pounds that averaged \$14.21 per hundred. The following are some of the prices received:

C. M. Knott \$7, 10%, 19%, 30, 43, 15, 12, 6. E. H. Pruitt \$8%, 15%, 37%, 15, 8%, J. H. Webb \$8, 13, 20, 40%, 36, 23%, 15, 10. T. K. Daniel \$12, 33%, 40, 17%, 11%, J. B. Pruitt \$5, 30, 8, 10%, 30, 47%, 12%, 7%. M. B. Hobgood 5.30 8.75, 19, 42%, 17%, 10.

Commencement of Lent.

—The Lenten season commenced yesterday—Ash Wednesday. It will continue 40 days and "from early times intended to serve as a time of spiritual revival. It inculcates more attention to public and private prayer, to self-examination and meditation upon sacred things, to a withdrawal from public entertainments and amusements, and to such a measure of fasting and other acts of self-denial as may aid in overcoming the natural inclinations and in bringing us more directly under the control of the Holy Spirit of God."

Tobacco News.

The Farmers' warehouse was in the swim Tuesday. Always keep your eye on J. F. Meadows—he runs a hot sale. Below we give you a few prices sold on the Farmers' warehouse floor Tuesday:

H. D. Mangum, \$5%, 9%, 17, 30, 14, 10%, 5%—average \$21.

Robt. Green, \$8, 13%, 30%, 34, 16%, 15%, 5.40—average \$25.

B. J. Coley, \$8, 18, 42%, 11, 6.20—average \$27.50.

John Landis, \$9, 22%, 40, 50, 17, 10, 5%—average \$25.

The Oxford market is in as good trim as at any time out of this crop and so is J. F. Meadows, proprietor Farmers' warehouse. Give him a trial and be convinced.

Landis-Francis.

It will be seen by the following that Major Willie Landis, one of our popular and good natured bachelors, who has assisted in sending 82 couples on life's journey, is soon to become a benedict himself, having won the heart of a most estimable lady: Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Francis request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their sister May Lavilla to Mr. William Landis, on Wednesday morning, March second, at eleven o'clock, nineteen hundred and four, 1533 Linden Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. At Home after March fifteenth, Oxford, N. C. No cards will be issued to friends in Oxford or in the county.

Old Robt. Booth Residence Burned.

About 11:30 o'clock Tuesday morning the old Robt. Booth residence, nearly in front of the Oxford Orphan Asylum planting mills, and occupied by Mr. Irvin Stead, was discovered on fire. The alarm was sounded down the street and the volunteer firemen with engine and hook and ladder quickly responded to the call along with some 200 people, and went to work to save the residence of Mr. J. A. Webb nearby, as the roof of the Booth house was falling in when they arrived.

Some splendid work was done by both white and colored to prevent the destruction of the Webb residence, led by Messrs. J. F. Edwards, Wade Britt, Joe Baird and Dr. B. K. Hays, along with the valuable assistance of Henry Jenkins, one of our best colored citizens. The furniture factory force, led by Mr. B. M. Haubold, and the boys and girls of the Orphan Asylum also had a hand in the great fight and did valuable work in bringing water.

The fire originated from the kitchen flue and the roof was almost falling in when Mrs. Stead found it out as she was in the front of the house. Nothing in the dining room or kitchen was saved, but the other furniture was gotten out. Mr. Webb thought sure his dwelling would be burned and moved some furniture from one room. Mrs. Booth resides in Durham and rented the house to Mr. Stead. The loss will be about \$800 with \$400 insurance.

Letter to T. B. Pendleton, Oxford, N. C. Dear Sir: The cheapest thing in the way of sending anything over the world is a postage stamp; and the cheapest way to shed water is paint. Not whitewash; paint. Do you happen to know—it don't belong to your business to know about paint, you know—do you happen to know that most of the makers of paint stuff it out with lime and clay and sand and water and air?

They do stuff it out in the can; but not on the house. They make more gallons to sell or to buy; more money to pay for paint; more money to pay for putting it on; a good deal more money to pay for putting it on; but no more beauty; more rust; decay; disappointment; loss.

Devote to your paint, because it's all paint, no sham, and full measure. Yours truly, F. W. DEVOE & Co. P. S. J. F. Edwards sell our paint.

Friends & Strangers.

An Interesting List Of Those Who Came & Went.

—Mr. R. I. Dandel, of Berea, was in Oxford Monday.

—Mr. Ed Landis, of Henderson, was an Oxford visitor Tuesday.

—Mr. Charley Gregory, of Florence, S. C., spent Sunday in Oxford.

—Mr. Herbert Faucett, of Bullock, was in Oxford Monday on business.

—Deputy Sheriff T. P. Curl, of Creedmoor, was in Oxford Tuesday.

—Mr. Marvin Minor, of Raleigh, visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

—Gen. B. S. Royster was in Raleigh Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

—Mr. J. P. Stovall, of Big Rock, was in town Friday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Mr. John W. Hays, of Petersburg, Va., was an Oxford visitor Saturday.

—Messrs. R. G. Fuller and S. A. Fleming, of Hester, were in Oxford Wednesday and called to see the editor.

—Miss Lillian Chandler, teacher at the Orphan Asylum, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Mebane.

—Misses Fannie and Net Gregory attended the marriage of Miss May Wood and a Mr. Harris, at Clarksville yesterday.

—Mr. J. M. Neathery, one of the progressive citizens of Creedmoor, was an Oxford visitor Monday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Miss Bettie Smith left Monday for Baltimore and New York to buy her stock of spring millinery and notions as she will go into business at the old Cooper corner.

—W. O. Glover, one of our colored subscribers of Fishing Creek township, called on us Friday and renewed his subscription for another year as he said he could not do without his county paper.

Roll of Honor of the Oxford Graded School for the Fifth Month.

First Grade.—Sec. I. Claude Dandel, Ruth Shaw, Londa Shamburger, Rachel Parham, Guy Wheeler.

Sec. II.—Raymond Clapp, Herbert Parham, Graham Wheeler, Lucy Landis, Esther Mitchell, Mary White.

Second Grade.—Sylvania Parham, Charlie Fort.

Third Grade.—Jim Taylor, Morehead Emmett, Wilbur Smith, Clyde Cannady, Lucy Wyatt.

Fourth Grade.—Marsh Ray, Frances Hays, Lillie Currin, Estelle Bullock, Hood Parham.

Fifth Grade.—Alaine Minor, Ellen Stegall, Susie Brown, Sallie Baker, Norma Burwell, Isabell Fleming, Jack Bullock.

Sixth Grade.—Russell Webb, Fay Parham, Willie Grimsley.

Seventh Grade.—Louie Mitchell, Lillian Minor, Willie Murray, Luther White.

Eighth Grade.—Carl Adams, Julia Winston, Florence Landis.

Ninth Grade.—Janie Booth.

NOTICE.

The Hall-Wood Furniture Company has been dissolved and all parties owing accounts to said company are requested to come forward and settle the same at once. By doing this trouble and expense will be avoided. Parties holding claims against said company are requested to present the same to J. Robt. Wood.

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DUKE OF YORK, GOLD CRUMBS, PICK LEAF, CAROLINA BRIGHT, DUKE'S MIXTURE, RED COCK, RED WARRIOR, LUCKY STRIKE, PENN'S MIXTURE, MAY QUEEN.

If You Smoke.

Everything Up-to-Date

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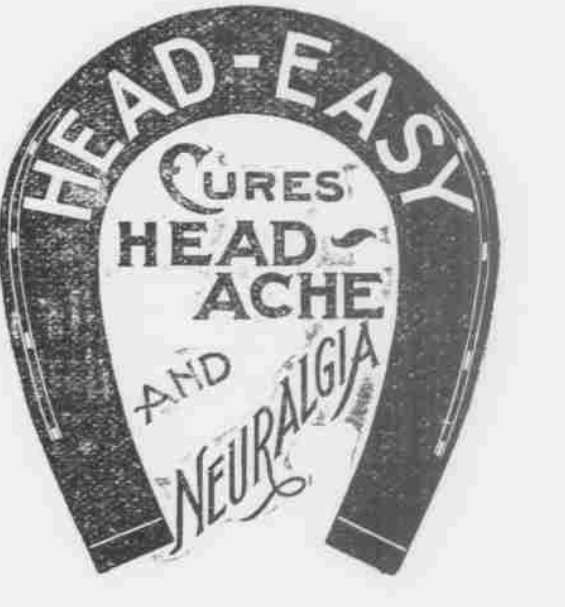
Of all our preparations are the sterling qualities we pride ourselves are embodied in all goods. Our large stock of Chemicals together with our ASSORTED VARIETY of Toilet Articles and Druggists' Sundries enable us to offer the public PRICES and goods that compare favorably with any drug establishment in the State.

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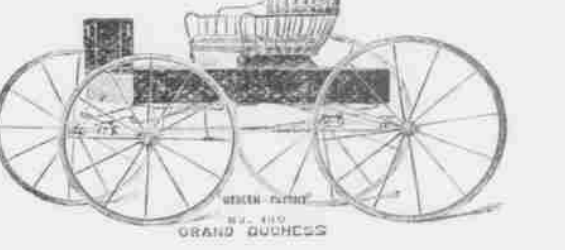
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