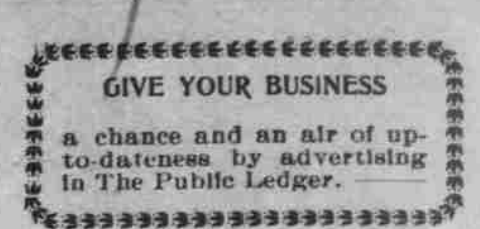




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JOHN T. BRITT, Editor and Owner. VOL. XVIII. DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF OXFORD AND GRANVILLE COUNTY. OXFORD, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 12, 1905. NO. 28. One Dollar a Year in Advance.

A Large Supply

of Stationery just received. My line is now complete in writing tablets, composition books, box paper envelopes, type writer supplies, pens, pencils, slates and inks, in fact everything in this line an immense variety.

An immense variety of toilet soaps and powder.

Garden and flower seed are now coming in, I offer nothing but fresh seed for sale.

"In Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." When you go to see her call at Halls Drug Store and get a box of Headley's Gandy. Nothing better.

Beautiful box candies 10, 15, 25, and on up to 80c and \$2.50.

Also all kinds plain and french candy arriving every day or two. Apples, oranges, lemons, bananas, pecans, salted peanuts, etc.

Soda water fountain in full blast. The best ice cream always on hand 5 and 10c a saucer. Try an egg flip.

Spectacles and eye glasses, all grades on hand ranging in price from 25c to \$10. Beautiful gold filled frames guaranteed for 10 years. Satisfaction fit anytime or you get your money back.

Hall's spavin cure is the best thing on earth for a lame horse.

Hall's hog powder is the best powder for a hog.

The Prescription department

is under my special care. Purity, accuracy and 26 years experience is what I offer you. Send your prescription to me and you will get exactly what your doctor wants you to have.

J. G. HALL, DRUGGIST.

Sale of Valuable Real Estate.

Under authority of an order of the Superior Court of Granville County in the Special Proceeding entitled R. W. Lassiter, administrator of J. M. Heggie, deceased, and Heggie the undersigned Commissioner will on

MONDAY, MAY 22, 1905, sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Oxford the following described real estate: Lying and being in Granville County and in the village of St. Paul, being the lands purchased by the late J. M. Heggie from J. A. Crews (see Book 36, page 213) less the portion thereof sold to J. H. A. Parham and J. W. Hughes, there being situated on Main street in said village, the dwelling in which C. C. Heggie now resides, one 2 story six room dwelling, two four room cottages, one office and other buildings, said land now containing 12 1/2 acres more or less. Time of sale 12 m. This 22nd day of April, 1905.

W. A. DEVIN, Commissioner.

Sale of Land.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed on the 26th day of April 1905, by S. H. Roberts and others, recorded in Book 50, page 117, Register of Deeds office of Granville County, and at the request of the owner and holder of the bond secured by said deed of trust, I shall on

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Live Local Laconics.

BRIEF DASHES OF THINGS HAPPENING.

—Has anybody ever measured the foot-prints of time?

—The First Colored Baptist Church is being repainted.

—Virtue is the beauty and vice the deformity of the soul.

—The fine Orphan Asylum singing class is now on its eastern tour.

—Nature's God brings up the bricks in wisdom with which genius builds success.

—The Orphan Asylum grounds is now one of prettiest spots in North Carolina.

—Your attention is called to the administrator's notice of the Messrs. Watkins in another column.

A cyclone struck Snyder, Oklahoma, Wednesday demolishing houses and killing 500 people.

—Several loads of tobacco from Person county was sold at the Johnson Warehouse Tuesday and sold well.

Dr. S. Rapport will be at the Exchange Hotel, Tuesday, May 16, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses.

—If mistakes could be copyrighted it would be hard to make a new one without infringing on some other fellow's patent.

—See notice of a Graded School election by Chairman C. F. Crews in another column, and govern your self accordingly.

—"So the engagement's off?" "Yes, she advised him to practice economy and he started by getting her an imitation diamond."

—There is one admirable feature about a wife fence—the patent medicine man can't paint a legend there on in regard to his liver.

—The women arrived Monday and are now hard at work erecting the large water tank to supply the town with water.

—Oxford is a very business place just now, as almost in every direction there are large forces of hands working on buildings and streets.

—The beauty and grace of Oxford gather at Hall's drug store every afternoon to enjoy his delicious ice cream and refreshing drinks.

—The May term of the Federal Court at Raleigh which was to have met on the 15th of this month has moved up to the 5th of June.

Time's forelock is a handy grip For the man who would fall; But lest our facts be false would trip, One must take time by the tail.

—The Woman's Literary Club met with Mrs. R. L. Brown Tuesday afternoon and proved one of the most interesting meetings of the season.

—Contractor Shroyer and force of hands arrived from Raleigh a few days ago and are now busy putting down granite sidewalks on Hillsboro street.

—The coming commencement of the Oxford Seminary, one of North Carolina's best schools, will be the best in its history, and will be largely attended.

—Almost wherever you walk in Oxford the fragrance of beautiful roses greet you. Those of Mrs. John Parham and Mrs. Sam Booth are especially attractive.

—The immense boilers and engine of the Water and Electric Light Co. have arrived and are being rapidly placed in position on their lot near the Southern freight depot.

—The County Commissioners have just completed a nice new building at County Home, but the contractor happened to buy a bad lot of widow sash as the title is falling out.

—Nellie Lewis, a well known colored woman of Oxford, died suddenly Sunday morning with heart disease. She was very industrious and always found something to do.

—We are gratified to learn that it is the intention of the County Commissioners to repair and repaint the Court House this summer, which is badly needed in order to preserve the building.

Persons who realize the importance and value of correctly adjusted glasses invariably have their eyes examined and fitted by Dr. S. Rapport who will be at the Exchange Hotel, Tuesday, May 16th.

—The frame of the large Storage building of the Oxford Furniture Co. has been up and will be completed as rapidly as possible as it is badly needed owing to the rapidly increasing trade of the County.

—At Rockville, Md., on Thursday John W. Acree married a young lady whose name was Dennis. If she is much of a knocker Acree may wake up some fine morning and come to the conclusion that his name is Dennis.

—Our fine and admirably conducted Graded School will close next Friday week, and the dear children are looking forward to it with great pleasure. The Superintendent and corps of teachers, who have so faithfully and efficiently discharged their responsible duties, deserve an exceedingly pleasant vacation.

In the recent tornado at Laredo, Texas, 21 were killed and many were injured while much property was destroyed.

—Begin now to clean up your lot and keep them clean all during the spring and summer. It will pay you handsomely.

—Parham Bros. Co. have very attractive advertisements in front of their four places of business in the shape of benches where the weary can rest.

—Mr. Otho Faucette returned from Baltimore some days ago and can be found behind the counter at J. F. Edwards' hardware store ready to serve you.

—Wednesday was memorial day and was appropriately observed in many town throughout the State, and the graves of Confederate soldiers were decorated with beautiful flowers.

—It is estimated that the truckers in Eastern North Carolina have already lost over half million dollars because the Armour Co. failed to furnish refrigerators cars. They should bring suit and should win.

—Mr. Rufus W. Boyd, the pleasant and efficient carrier on Route No. 6, and Miss Lena Rogers were happily married Wednesday night, Rev. J. A. Stradley performing the ceremony. We join their friends in wishing them much happiness.

—At a mass meeting held in Richmond it was resolved to raise \$30,000 for the erection of an equestrian statue of General Fitzhugh Lee, the plan being to have the memorial placed and unveiled during Jamestown Exposition.

—At Nashville, Tenn., the Board of Missions of the Methodist E. Church, South, appropriated \$25,368 for foreign missions, among the home conference appropriations was \$15,438 for the North Carolina Conference, and \$18,285 for Western North Carolina Conference.

—Friends in Raleigh and Granville were greatly surprised to learn of the marriage of Mrs. Paul Cannady, formerly Miss Percie Beasley, and Mr. John T. Blackall, son of late Dr. Geo. Blackall, of Raleigh, which occurred in Norfolk Tuesday. They will make their home in Edenton.

—The lawn of Mr. W. E. Massenburgh Wednesday afternoon presented a lovely scene as it was full of sweet little boys and girls who had gathered there to celebrate the 55th birthday of Master James Massenburgh. They all had a jolly good time and feasted on an elegant lunch served in the dining room.

—Insurance Commissioner James R. Young, reports that during April three men in Guilford and one in Person county, were arrested and bound over to court for house burning. In addition to this still another is to stand trial in Orange county May 15. These cases have been worked up by Commissioner Young.

—Strawberries and ice cream and other refreshment will be served by the young ladies this Thursday afternoon and night on the lawn of Mrs. John D. Williams for the benefit of the White Oak Camp No. 17 Woodman of the World. Be sure and attend as there is fun ahead, as there will be 4 prizes offered, 2 for children and 2 for older people.

—It seems that our officers of the law cannot run up with Will Walker who killed Alex Stovall if rumor does have it that he is hiding near town, and walks around town at night. They will never be able to capture him as long as everybody knows their movements. Two water hauls have been made, one of which was of a very amusing character.

—Wednesday at 11 o'clock, the hour of the funeral of the greatly beloved Washington Duke at Durham, the whole of the Oxford Cotton Mills was blown in respect of this grand old man who has been gathered to his eternal rest. We do not believe a better man ever lived in North Carolina than Washington Duke and must have entered the vale without an enemy.

—It may be of interest to some of those fellows who loaf about town every day with no visible means of support, to know that there is talk of a strict enforcement of the vagrant act. Of course living off of what is termed "cat hole grub" will not be counted. Better get to doing something or you may get "took up."

—And remember that the law applies to whites as well as blacks if our officers have nerve enough to enforce it.

—Two Sisters Run Away from Home Because of Punishment.

Three days ago in Mark's Creek township, six miles from Raleigh, twin sisters, Ida and Pearl Ray, disappeared from their home and no trace of them was discovered until they were found two miles from home. They are 10 years old and were found in a barn where they had been two days, food being carried to them by two twin brothers, Ralph and James Moore, who are about the same age. The two girls, it seems, were punished at home for some trivial misconduct and started, they say, to drown themselves in a pond about a half mile from the home of their parents. They met the twin brothers and told them they were on their way to drown themselves and the boys helped them to run away from home. Instead, it develops that a number of the children in the neighborhood knew where the twins were, but kept their secret faithfully to save them from further severe punishment they feared they would receive at home.

Meeting of Town Commissioners.

—The Board of Town Commissioners met Monday night and entered upon their duties for a two years term, and they have very important work before them, as the Oxford is rapidly improving. The old officers were elected as they have proved faithful and efficient. Commissioner John P. Stedman was elected Mayor pro tem. There were several candidates for night policeman, but Mr. Smith was again the winner time clock or no time clock, sleep or no sleep.

Grand Lodge Odd Fellows.

This important body met in Raleigh Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The reports of officers show that the past year has been an exceptionally prosperous one—a net gain of over twelve hundred in membership and an increase of over \$1.50 per member in the money raised, more than \$20,000 being expended in a relief fund. The Orphans' Home is better equipped than ever before and more new lodges were formed during the past year than ever before in North Carolina.

Reuben Cousins Struck to Death by Babe Hawley Sunday.

There was a horrible murder committed Sunday, at a negro Baptist church, near Mr. Thrash, in Person county. From the best information that can be gathered it seems that two negroes, Babe Hawley and Reuben Cousins, who had their blades filled with blockade whiskey which they secured near the church, fell out over an umbrella, and the result was that Cousins was stabbed in such a manner by Hawley that he died almost instantly.

The desperate murderer was chased about a mile and a half by his own race and was finally captured in a barn. Hawley was safely landed in the Roxboro jail.

A Profitable Message to You.

We call the attention of our many readers to the half page advertisement of Long, Blalock & Haskins on the 4th page which will prove interesting reading. By visiting their 2 large stores you will find them as full of spirit as the season—blooming with bargains, overflowing with newness, fresh with sunny summer things, each hour whispering of some new style or special inducement.

The clothing department is overflowing with all the new things that go to make a man look well in the good old summer time.

For a fact as well as rhyme, Suits of serge and summer things are quite a boon.

If the weather man's reliable, And your pocket book is pliable, You'll do well to get it in order soon.

A Noble Outcast by Home Talent.

Our people enjoyed at the Opera House Friday night "A Noble Outcast" well rendered by home talent. The leading part was taken by the talented Mr. Walter P. Stradley, who first appears as a tramp and outcast and afterwards proves himself a noble. His interpretation of the character, and his acting was exceedingly good. The support given him was splendid.

The following composed the cast: Messrs. W. P. Stradley, W. T. Minor, Frank Pinix and Wm. H. Harrison, and Misses Elizabeth Hilliard, Lullie Biggs and Annie Cannady.

The entertainment was under the auspices of Granville Grays Chapter Daughters of the Confederacy, and a good sum was realized for the monument fund. Music was enjoyed between the acts rendered by Misses Carrie Holcomb, Lillian and Alice Minor.

The play was so well received it was decided to repeat it this Friday night and if you wish to enjoy a pleasant evening take it in as well as to contribute to a noble cause.

Enjoyable Nut Party.

On Monday evening May 8th, Mrs. W. D. Bryan gave a very delightful and enjoyable nut party complimentary to Miss Hilda Bonitz, of Lynchburg, Va., who has been visiting Mrs. A. H. Williams for the past two weeks. Miss Bonitz has made a host of friends by her charming graces and winning ways.

The house was brightly lighted and beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and cut flowers. The game played was "Jack Straws," and all present entered enthusiastically into the game seeming to highly enjoy it. The ladies prize was won by Miss Jeannette Biggs, who graciously presented it to Miss Bonitz. The gentlemen's prize was won by Prof. Marrow, of Horner School.

Dainty and delightful refreshments were served after which the party wended their way homeward with praises for the host and hostess and many good wishes for Miss Bonitz.

Those in attendance were: Josiah Cannady with Miss Hilda Bonitz; Will Minor with Miss Julia Winston; Elbert Crews with Miss Gertrude Lander; Prof. Hassell with Miss Lillian Outlaw; Major Tilley with Miss Lullie Biggs; Walter Crews with Miss Jeannette Gregory; Prof. Marrow with Miss Jeannette Gregory; Mott Pinix with Miss Antonette Taylor; W. Leak Pence with Miss Maud Parham; Frank Pinix with Miss Anna Taylor; W. H. Harrison with Miss Etta Peace; Tom Howell with Miss Annie Cannady; Brooks Parham with Miss Lena Taylor; Ben Lassiter with Miss Lena Taylor; Ben Lassiter with Miss Lena Taylor; Ben Lassiter with Miss Lena Taylor.

A spring tonic that cleans and purifies and absorbs all poison from the system. Hollisters Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well and keep you well all summer. 35 cents. Tea or Tablets.

Special Rates, Summer School at Wrightsville, N. C., June 15th-21st.

The Seaboard announces that according to the Summer School at Wrightsville, N. C., June 15th-21st. There will be a rate of one first class fare plus 25 cents for the round trip from all points in North and South Carolina. Tickets to be sold June 14th, 15th and 17th, with final limit of June 24th. For information as to rates schedules, etc., apply to any Agent or address.

C. H. GATTIS, T. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

—Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming's class of music will begin work June 1st.

SERIOUS SHOOTING AFFAIR.

Joe Roberts Shoots his Cousin Lucius Roberts at Creedmoor Thursday.

There was a terrible shooting affair at Creedmoor last Thursday at 11 30 o'clock which caused great excitement among the people as one of their popular business men had been shot down. As a result Mr. Lucius Roberts is in a waiting hospital, Durham, dangerously wounded, while Joe Roberts is in Oxford jail having arrived here the same afternoon at 4 o'clock in charge of Mr. Jack Wheeler.

Mr. Lucius Roberts was shot four times, two balls entered his back, and ranged towards the kidneys; one passed through the left shoulder from the rear, and the other grazed his neck on the right side. Another shot was fired but one of the shots did not take effect. The Durham Herald says there are several rumors as to the cause of the shooting. Joe Roberts and his father, Adolph Roberts, left the same morning. The father bought a ticket to Oxford and Joe Roberts purchased a ticket to Creedmoor. Before leaving here Joe Roberts sent a telegram to some person at Creedmoor but the contents of the message is not known.

It is said when the train reached Creedmoor Joe Roberts jumped off the train and went to the playing mill of his cousin, Lucius Roberts. A few minutes later there were reports of five shots fired in rapid succession. There was a rush of people towards the mill and a moment later Joe Roberts was under arrest and hurried off to jail. Lucius Roberts fell in his own place of business, and was picked up, placed on a mattress and brought here on the afternoon train. He was accompanied by Dr. J. F. Sanderford, William Roberts, father of the wounded man, and Gad Rogers. After reaching here Roberts was taken to the Watts hospital and was attended by Dr. N. M. Johnson, Dr. N. P. Boddie, Dr. J. M. O'Kelly and Dr. Sanderford. The X ray was used but could not locate the balls.

The doctors say that there is good chance for his recovery. It is feared that one of the balls hit the back passed off through one of the kidneys.

The cause that brought about the shooting is not known, there being several rumors as to the cause. One is that Joe Roberts charged Lucius Roberts with writing letters to his (Joe Roberts) wife. Another is that the wife of the wounded man wrote a letter to Mrs. Joe Roberts telling her that Joe Roberts had not been leading the kind of life that he should since moving out to Creedmoor. This last rumor says that Joe Roberts accused his cousin with having come to do with writing the letter.

One of those who came over with the wounded man told the reporter that Joe Roberts approached his cousin and asked him why he had been writing letters to his wife. Lucius Roberts denied the charge and it is said that Joe Roberts told him this was false. Again Lucius Roberts denied the charge and said: "I have not got time to talk to you about this," and turned to walk away. It was then that Joe Roberts began to shoot.

The wounded man is a son of William Roberts and is about 27 years of age. He has a wife and two children. He is engaged in the planing mill business and was looking after this work when he was attacked by Joe Roberts is a son of Adolph Roberts, of this city, and is a first cousin of the man he shot. He is also married and has a wife and one child. Not long ago he went to Creedmoor to take a position with Capt. Marshall Henry, who has a saw mill. He has been boarding at the home of Captain Henry. Joe Roberts came over here a few days ago and yesterday morning his wife came home. He then went out to Creedmoor and the fatal affair followed.

Both of the men have a large number of relatives throughout Durham and Granville counties and the news of the shooting spread rapidly when the wounded man was brought to Durham.

Big Line Millinery Just Received.

I have just gotten in an entirely new line of all the latest shapes and colors in summer hats and also a large assortment of caps and duck hats, white goods, handkerchiefs and lace, plain and fancy hosiery, gauge vests, corsets, etc. I carry a beautiful line of lace and other kinds of neckwear and have just received a large shipment of these goods in all the latest styles and designs.

I am now prepared to furnish my customers with everything in these lines at the most reasonable figures. Prompt attention given to all orders.

MISS MARY B. GREGORY.

—I have on hand at all time Dunlop Mills Flour, meal, oats, corn and mill feed.

J. J. MEDFORD.

—I loaned some one a large screw wrench and 1 1/2 inch pipe tongs. I would be glad if they would return same to me at once.

Respectfully,

J. F. EDWARDS.

—Perfectly delicious and beautiful California Fig Kleas. Call and get sample free at J. G. HALL.

—WANTED—Lady or gentleman of fair education to travel for a firm of \$350.000 capital. Salary weekly. Address Geo. G. Clowes, Oxford.

Warning Not to Hire.

This is to warn all persons not to hire James Gregory, colored who has left his employment without cause, under the penalty of the law.

R. M. DANIEL.

Car load Studebaker one and two horse wagons just received. Buy the best at BULLOCK & CRENSHAW.

—Ladies Home Journal Patterns 10 and 15 cents for sale by Landis and Easton.

Coming and Going.

YOU OR YOUR FRIEND MAY BE MENTIONED.

—Mr. Wm. Washington, of Stem, was in town Tuesday.

—Mr. S. P. Adcock, of Berea, was on our streets Friday.

—Mr. McKethan, of Fayetteville, was in Oxford Friday.

—Mr. C. E. Loyd, of Grissom, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

—Mr. F. C. Topleman, of Henderson, was in Oxford Wednesday.

—Mr. C. C. Heggie, of Stovall, was in Oxford Wednesday afternoon.

—Mr. James Haskins and sister, of Heater, were Oxford visitors Friday.

—The Messrs. Chenthams, of this township, were on our streets Monday.

—Mrs. R. W. Winston, of Durham, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Horner.

—Mr. J. B. Adcock, of Berea, was in town Friday and called on the Public Ledger.

—Dr. F. R. Harris, of Henderson, was in Oxford a few hours Monday on business.

—Col. and Mrs. Henry Perry, of Henderson, spent Sunday in Oxford with relatives.

—Mr. W. A. Moss and family, of Tar River section, were in town yesterday shopping.

—Judge W. T. Clement has been elected Mayor of Enfield, and will make a good one.

—Mr. D. Hunt, of Tar River, was in Oxford Saturday and his old friends were glad to see him.

—Miss Beale Aiken, of Northside, was the guest of Miss Hettie Lyon a few days the past week.

—Miss Laurine Dorsey, of Henderson, is the guest of Miss Charlotte Britt on College street.

—Mr. Thos. Washington, of Wilson, visited the old home near Stem, Saturday and Sunday.

—Messrs. S. L. Howard, of Berea, and John P. Cannady, of Tar River Academy, were in Oxford Tuesday.

—Little Miss Lillian Spencer spent one day in Raleigh last week and greatly enjoyed her visit to the Capital City.

—Messrs. J. M. Currin, Lock Irwin and E. T. White attended the funeral of Mr. Washington in Durham Wednesday.

—Miss Fannie Sater, of Halifax, who has been visiting Mrs. Julia Minor on College street, returned home Wednesday.

—Mr. Ben Lassiter has joined the excellent force in the National Bank in order to acquire some knowledge of the banking business.

—Mr. John Booth, of Warrenton, was in Oxford Sunday visiting home folks, and it is a pleasure to us to learn that he is doing well in his new home.

—Mr. J. W. Morton and two sons, Messrs. Tazewell and Venable, of Satterwhite, were among the Oxford visitors Friday and called to see the editor.

—Mr. U. H. Cozart, one of the leading warehousemen of Wilson, was in Oxford Wednesday shaking hands with his old friends who were glad to see him.

—Messrs. H. M. Shaw, J. H. Long and L. B. Turner represented the Oxford Lodge in the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in session in Raleigh this week.