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## SANTA CLAUS

### Announcement!

I wish to state that I will make my HEADQUARTERS at the same old place that I have for the last 28 years. I have always found

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## Santa Claus.

## SUPT. JOYNER IN OXFORD

### THE MEETING OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.

An Association Organized for their Benefit, Officers Elected, Committees, &c.

The following is a fuller account of the recent meeting of Public School Teachers in Oxford which we failed to get: The meeting was opened by Dr. B. K. Hays, Chairman of Board of Education, who, in usual happy manner, introduced State Superintendent James Y. Joyner. After expressing his pleasure at being able to attend a meeting of Granville County Teachers and congratulating the school management, teachers and patrons upon the marked educational progress in Granville recently, Superintendent Joyner delivered an impressive, entertaining and instructive address.

At the conclusion of his address an Association of Public School Teachers of Granville county was organized with the following officers:

President—W. T. Allen. Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Katherine Tilley and Miss Lucy C. Jones. Secretary—J. E. T. Massey.

An Executive Committee composed of the officers with Prof. Kittrell as Chairman, was appointed to draft by-laws and lay the objects and benefits of the Association before all the teachers of the county, and also to prepare a program for the next meeting.

Everybody should take a deep interest in the teachers and the schools as nothing touches so closely the public welfare as the institutions wherein the great mass of our population is educated. Nothing is so sensitive as the minds of a child when its character and entire life may be impressed and influenced for good or bad; therefore it behooves the people to guard well the management of its schools and see that above all things the most lasting impression received by a child is one of truth, justice and fairness.

### METHODIST CONFERENCE.

#### Rev. R. B. John Made Presiding Elder of Raleigh District.

The Methodist Conference, which was in session at Rocky Mount last week and adjourned Monday made the following appointments for this, the Raleigh District:

R. B. John, Presiding Elder. Raleigh Edenton Street, R. F. Bumpas, J. O. Guthrie, supernumerary. Raleigh, Central, L. B. Jones. Brooklyn and Apex, Circuit, G. W. Starling.

Epworth to be supplied. Cary, J. D. Pegram. Clayton, G. B. Starling. Smithfield, J. H. Shore. Selma, F. A. Bishop. Kenly, A. L. Ormond. Wakefield, A. B. Wilcox. Millbrook, G. T. Simmons. Youngsville, D. B. Parker. Franklinton, N. E. Coltrain. Louisville, L. S. Massey. Tar River, H. G. Stamey. Granville, C. W. Robinson. Oxford, F. M. Shamburger. Oxford Circuit, W. H. Packett. Raleigh Christian Advocate, T. N. Ivey, editor. Methodist Orphanage, J. N. Cole, superintendent. Missionary Evangelist, L. L. Nash. In speaking of the new Presiding Elder of this District the News & Observer says:

Rev. R. B. John, who was appointed Presiding Elder of the Raleigh District by the Methodist Conference at Rocky Mount, is one of ablest and most scholarly men in the Methodist Conference. He graduated at the University of North Carolina and at Vanderbilt and has from the first year of his entrance into the Conference, been leader. It was under his pastorate that the lot on which Central Methodist church, Raleigh, is built, was purchased and the new church planned.

### The Reformatory.

The Baptists in convention at Greensboro last week passed resolutions favoring the establishment of a reformatory for youthful criminals and many people from all sections of the state are showing a lively interest in this question. The next legislature will be asked to make some appropriations for this object.

IF YOUR watch has gone on a strike and your clock has quit striking why bring them to W. D. Stinson and he will adjust the matter promptly and properly. Located at Paris Dry Goods store.

## CREEDMOOR HAPPENINGS.

### ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED BY REGULAR REPORTER.

Personals—the Sick—Good Farming—Sunday Schools—The Holidays, Etc.

Mr. Sam Mangum, of Durham, was in Creedmoor Monday.

Mr. Will Henry, of Stovall, spent two or three days in our town last week.

Mr. Claude Lyon and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Viola Aiken, of Lyon.

Mrs. L. H. Longmire and Mrs. W. R. O'Bryan went over to Durham on a shopping tour last week.

Mr. Winston Lawrence, of Raleigh, spent a few days last week visiting relatives in Creedmoor.

Misses Hazel York and Carson Moss of Grissom, spent one night last week with friends in Creedmoor.

We are sorry to report the health of Mr. James Tingen is very poor again. Hope he may soon be well.

Mrs. Martha Adcock is on an extended visit at her old home and with her daughter Mrs. T. M. Thomason.

Mrs. G. T. Sikes, Mrs. Bud Mangum, Mrs. C. D. York and Mrs. Chas. Loyd were Durham visitors one day last week.

Mrs. J. R. Neathery and Mrs. C. V. Garner spent one day last week visiting at the home of Mr. Howard Garner in the Brassfield section.

Little Idelle Vaughan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucanus Vaughn, is, we are sorry to chronicle quite sick. Hope her anxious parents may see her well again.

The new brick drug store being put up for Mr. Claude Garner is nearing completion, and we hope soon to see the owner doing a big business at the new stand.

Creedmoor Sunday school was much pleased to see Mrs. Sion Rogers in her old place on Sunday last, after having been confined at home on account of bad health so long.

Is there anything the matter with the farming lands of old Granville as long as farmers get \$1,500 for 22,000 hills of tobacco? Mr. J. C. Fleming, of Lyon had such a crop this year.

Sunday school Sunday morning and prayer meeting Sunday night were well attended and the services were quite interesting at both sessions. There will be service at the church on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Cottrell responded to a telegram from Louisburg saying their brother, Mr. James Spencer was seriously injured by machinery and hastened to see him on Friday. They have returned and it is thought probably Mr. Spencer may recover from his injuries.

The Christmas holidays are nearing us and we suppose each one is looking forward to them with happy anticipation, some expecting loved ones to come home, some expecting many gifts, and perhaps a few because it is the anniversary of the guiding star which led the wise men to the place where the babe lay. Let us all remember that it should be a time of "Peace on earth and good will to men," and spend the days accordingly.

Wonder how many of our readers have noticed the growing tendency to omit quotation marks from our language. You know the rule advises us to use the quotation marks when we quote the exact language of another, but that is a thing so rarely done that we have little need for the marks. If one person says a thing and several are listening it is a very rare thing that any two of the hearers understand alike and just as rare for either of the hearers to understand it as the speaker intends it to be heard. Then when the sentence or sentences are repeated each one tells it as it was understood and often times a very complicated matter is thrust upon the public. Then we all know it is one of the peculiarities of human nature that in telling anything we lop off a bit here and perhaps insert a word there or more probably accent a word never meant to be accented and thus put a meaning never intended. Oh, let us avoid these things and let us be strictly truthful, never exaggerate and insert those little quotation marks often by being very careful to quote the exact language of others. ANONYMOUS.

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## WOODMAN OF THE WORLD.

### MONUMENT UNVEILED TO MEMORY OF J. S. HUNT.

Between 300 and 400 People Witnessed the Solemn and Interesting Ceremony.

The members of the Oxford Camp Woodman of the World along with 300 or 400 of our citizens assembled in Elmwood Cemetery Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock to unveil a substantial Granite Monument to the memory of their departed brother, Mr. J. Sidney Hunt.

The gifted General B. S. Royster, a warm friend of the deceased, was master of ceremonies and performed his duties in a solemn and impressive manner. Judge A. W. Graham was the orator and paid a beautiful tribute to the popular and greatly esteemed J. Sidney Hunt. He spoke of him as a friend, neighbor and citizen, genial disposition, kindness of heart, and always ready to do a kind act. Judge Graham also spoke of the great charitable work the Woodman of the World was quietly doing in this great country of ours, as well as in our own county.

At the conclusion of Judge Graham's remarks Mr. Frank W. Hancock splendidly and touchingly read the beautiful poem of the order.

The ceremonies were solemn and impressive throughout, and made a deep impression on the large assemblage.

Since the organization of the Camp in Oxford the Woodman of the World has paid out \$9,200 in benefits. The Camp continues to increase, and now has over 90 members.

### A Very Degraded Son.

A boy who will rob his own father and skip is mean enough to commit a more heinous crime. W. H. Lancaster, a son of W. W. Lancaster, of the Broad River section of McDowell county, has decamped with \$1,600 in gold and greenback belonging to his father. The young man was recently discharged from the United States Army, after 3 years' service. When last seen he was carrying a Winchester rifle. He took his father's all, and unless the money is recovered it will ruin the old man.

### Many Thanks.

To the Ladies and Gentlemen of Stem: We take this method of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciations on behalf of ourselves and of those who are unfortunate enough to be under our charge, for the sumptuous and delightful Thanksgiving dinner tendered us on last Thanksgiving Day which was so much enjoyed by all. We also want to thank the Rev. J. D. Pegram for his kind and touching remarks on that happy occasion. We assure you all that in after years our memory will often look back to the kindness shown us on that day. And a warm and tender place will forever be in our hearts for the good people of Stem. J. D. WHEELER, Supt. M. P. CREWS, Foreman. R. C. CASH, Guard.

### Auditor Dixon's Report.

State Auditor Dixon has completed his report for the fiscal year ended November 30. The balance on hand of the general fund a year ago was \$282,714, the receipts from all sources during the year, \$2,228,478. The disbursements were \$2,173,109, leaving the balance \$838,082. It will be remembered that the State auditor told your correspondent three weeks ago that the balance on hand would be over \$300,000. The balance of the educational fund on hand is \$56,525 the disbursements during the year having been \$80,685, and the receipts \$125,951. The State debt, 4 per cent., is \$4,131,450; 6 per cent., \$2,720,000. There are yet outstanding of old North Carolina railway construction bonds 6 per cent., unredeemed, \$22,000. The total debt is therefore \$6,873,450. The State owns 30,000 of North Carolina railway stock, \$3,000,200; 16,166 shares Atlantic & North Carolina Railway stock, \$1,266,600; Alexander county bonds, \$2,750; 5,400 shares Wilkesboro & Jefferson Turnpike Company, \$54,000; total investments, \$4,323,550.

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## POPULAR COUPLE MARRY.

### TWO HEARTS BEAT AS ONE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY.

Mr. James Rogers and Miss Viola Priddy Married at Keysville, December 5th.

Keysville, Va., correspondent of the Richmond Times-Dispatch of December 5th, gives the following account of a beautiful marriage:

Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church South, was to-day the scene of a beautiful and interesting marriage, when Mr. James S. Rogers, of Oxford, N. C., led to the hymenal altar Miss Viola Henry Priddy. On account of the social prominence of the contracting parties, and the high esteem in which they are held by their friends, the marriage was one of unusual interest.

Promptly at noon, to the inspiring strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, beautifully rendered by Miss Alice Eubank, of Richmond, the bridal party entered the church, which had been tastefully decorated, in the following order: The bride came in with her brother, Mr. J. Herbert Priddy, who gave her away, being preceded by her cousin, Mrs. E. S. Fitzgerald, as matron of honor. The groom entered with Dr. J. G. Hunt, of Oxford, N. C., the best man. The bridal party was preceded by little Misses Annie Belle Thomas, of Richmond, and Elizabeth Peters, of Keysville, nieces of the bride as ribbon bearers, in dainty white mull dresses and pink sashes.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Harry, of Bon Air, assisted by Mr. E. H. Powell, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church here. The ushers were Dr. Floyd J. Gregory, Mr. Ashley Tuggle, H. D. Peters, E. S. Fitzgerald, of Keysville, and Mr. F. H. Gregory, of Oxford, N. C., and Mr. Eddie Thomas, of Richmond. During the beautiful marriage ritual of the Methodist Church the subdued strains of "Hearts and Flowers" floated through the sacred edifice.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, the party retired from the church in reverse order.

The bride was gowned in a beautiful dark blue traveling suit, with hat and gloves to match, and carried Bride's roses. The matron of honor was lovely in a princess gown of pink net over taffeta, and carried pink chrysanthemums.

The happy couple left on the 1 o'clock train for an extended trip to New York and other Northern cities. The groom is a popular and highly esteemed citizen of Oxford, and Route Agent on the Keysville branch of the Southern Railroad, and is held in high regard by a host of friends and acquaintances. The bride is a pretty and attractive daughter of the late R. W. Priddy, and a sister of Dr. A. S. Priddy, who formerly represented Charlotte county in the Legislature, and is now superintendent of the Southwestern State Hospital, at Marion. The bride is greatly beloved by all her friends here, as by her charming manner and beautiful character she has endeared herself to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers will be at home at Keysville after January 1st. The following are the guests from a distance who were here attending the wedding: Mrs. E. W. Thomas, of Richmond, sister of the bride; Mrs. R. P. Taylor and Mrs. S. H. Brown, of Oxford, sisters of the groom; Miss Annie Cannady, of Oxford, and Miss Alice Eubank, of Richmond.

### Compound Interest.

The Oxford Savings Bank in the Bank of Granville announces that the Semi-Annual Compound interest at the rate of 4 per cent. due depositors in its Savings Department will be added to the principal on the books of the bank on December 31st and when not withdrawn will be entitled to earn interest as forming part of the principal depositors in the Savings Department will please hand in their pass books as soon as convenient so that this interest may be entered thereon. Those who are not depositors now are solicited to open an account and be within the dividend range next time.

HUYLER'S Candies at J.G. Hall's drug store. oct26

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When all the coupons on a card have been taken off the sealed number will be opened and the lucky number will be opened and the lucky number advertised somewhere in this column of the Public Ledger and the party holding the number corresponding to the one advertised can come in and get his chair, hat rack, clock or Bible, as it may be, "Absolutely Free."

## Holiday Gifts

I have a handsome line of Fine Pipes, Holiday Packages, 5 and 10c cigars, Fine Stationary, Lap Desks, Stag Horn Sets, Cut Glass Ware, Gilt Clocks, Bronze Figures, Fountain and Pearl Handle Pens, and the finest line of Holiday candy ever shown in Oxford.

## TOYS

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