

ITEMS FROM EXCHANGES.

NEWSY, POINTED ITEMS GATHERED FOR OUR READERS.

Short and Seasoned, Wise, Pert, Gay and Solemn Things Talked About in the Merry-go-Round.

A collection of \$600 was taken at the Convention at Richmond for the Baptist exhibit at Jamestown.

The Delaware folks who took an airship for the Devil should understand that His Satanic Majesty is not a high flyer just because some of his victims are.—Wilmington Dispatch.

It is a good sign for the awakening of public conscience that the Union Pacific railroad is returning to the government several million dollars worth of coal lands that it recently stole in the west.

A Kansas City woman took steps to secure a divorce twenty-four hours after she had been married. It doesn't take some women very long to find out that they have been gold bricked.—Washington Post.

One Mrs. Germond wants a divorce because her husband cannot distinguish between right and wrong. He certainly must be a very poorly regulated husband not to understand that he was wrong.—Washington Herald.

By a recent ruling of the postoffice department, newspapers cannot now be sent to Canada at the pound rate, but postage thereon at the rate of one cent for each package of four ounces or less to one address has to be paid the same as to foreign countries.

At Chicago Monday Judge Landis laid fines of \$200, \$2,000 and \$5,000 on eleven desk and seat manufacturing companies for combining and controlling the price of church and school furniture he delivered a scathing rebuke to the defendants.

Snow was reported from all over Michigan May 27 with a veritable winter blizzard prevailing over the Saginaw valley. Cadillac reports that five inches of snow fell with more coming and six inches have fallen at Petoskey.

Republican Chairman Adams made the mistake of supposing that Marion Butler went into the republican party just to sit on the fence and see the pie brigade pass by with none of his friends in the procession.—Wilmington Star.

We give it up that Charlotte leads all the other cities in the State for new adventures. Now that a Charlotte young man wants one of the Chickasaw Indians girls to become his bride shows his business ability. All right, old chappie, you win.—Durham Sun.

The recent session of the Southern Baptist convention is pronounced one of the greatest in the convention's history. After an enthusiastic presentation of the laymen's missionary movement plans, it was decided to raise a million dollars for missionary work next year.

An Ohio man has had his wife arrested for pointing a pistol at him and making him give her all the money she wanted. Why on earth didn't the fool husband do like most men—treat the thing as a joke, rather than let it get out every time there is a hold-up in the family?—Wilmington Star.

The Supreme Court decides that express companies are liable for delay in making deliveries within a reasonable time. The Southern Express Company contested this case on the ground that it was only one of several common carriers. In other words was involved with the railways in handling freight.

The decision of the Supreme Court that solicitors fees of \$4 cannot be taxed in Seifa, and forfeiture was received with interest. It was this matter that raised something of a stir in Asheville last fall when Solicitor Brown (Republican) was charged with collecting this fee. Mr. Brown admitted that he was, and that other solicitors all over the State were getting the same.

There was a record broken in the Postoffice Department last week. The Postmaster General turned into the Treasury \$22,359,120, the largest amount for one quarter in the history of the office. This was not so remarkable for the Department is growing all the time and the receipts naturally increase. But the amount exceeded the expenditures by \$1,800,815. This is a record sure enough. It indicates a good business administration and as a financial index to the prosperity of the country it is decidedly encouraging.

COLORED GRADED SCHOOL.

Closing Exercises Friday Night at the Opera House.

The Colored Graded School of Oxford under the excellent principalship of W. A. Patillo, Jr., continues to prosper under his guidance, and the session just closed has been the best since the school was established. He is assisted by painstaking teachers who take a deep interest in their work, which accounts for the rapid strides the school has made under the new management. Our colored citizens are to be congratulated upon having such a well managed school and should by all means extend every possible encouragement to the worthy Principal and his hard working corps of teachers.

The entertainment Friday night at the Opera House was largely attended and the excellent manner in which the children rendered the well prepared program proved that they had received good practical training. The songs, recitations, etc., were greatly enjoyed by the large audience, and no doubt the parents were proud of the parts their children took in the entertainment.

This closed the last school commencement in Oxford, and now everybody can get right down to the summer campaign and scratch for a living unless they are well "healed" with the "long green."

Elizabeth Cheatham, who stands high as a teacher, has been added to the faculty. For several terms she has taught in Salem township, and given general satisfaction, and will no doubt prove a good addition to the school.

All Depends on Them.

The merchants want to see the farmers prosper. Prosperous farmers means more money in circulation, and that means more goods are sold. The doctor wants to see the farmer prosper for it means bills easier to collect. The bankers want to see prosperous farmers for it means more and larger deposits.

The Medical Fraternity.

Granville will be well represented at the various medical societies this year.

Dr. G. A. Coggeshall will attend the American Medical Association at Atlantic City next week.

Dr. Benj. K. Hays will attend the Tri-State Medical Society at Norfolk, and will read a paper on Bright's disease.

Dr. Samuel D. Booth is President of the North Carolina Medical Society and will preside over the deliberations of that body at Morehead City in June.

Dr. G. T. Sykes is a member of the North Carolina Board of State of Medical Examiners, and Dr. Hays is on the Board of Examiners for trained nurses. Dr. Hays will also read a paper before the state association.

Granville in Federal Court.

It will be seen from the following that two from Granville county were convicted in the Federal Court at Raleigh:

Simon Harris, of Granville county, pleaded guilty to retailing, and was sentenced to thirty days in jail and to pay a fine of \$100 and the costs.

John Boone, a negro from Granville, who had furnished the thirsty with illicit booze, was awarded thirty days in jail with a fine of \$100 and costs, though he had two attorneys and a petition signed by a number of citizens of Creedmoor asking that he be not punished, as he had appeared as a witness against certain blind tigers and helped to get the offenders sentenced to terms on the roads. Two witnesses swore to having bought liquor from Boone and one of them used the old trick in paying for it—that of placing the money in a horse trough in the stable, where he was when the whiskey was delivered. Judge Purnell allowed the negro to give bond until the December term before serving his sentence so that he could go on making his crop.

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QUESTION OF GOOD ROADS

COMMISSIONER FRANK GREGORY HEARD FROM.

The Editor Agrees With Him, and he Should Have Used His Influence With his Body.

Mr. Editor:—Much has been said about the road question of late, and much has been written for and against the bond issue, but it seems we are no nearer the solution of this important question than when we began its discussion.

Now, I wish to have my say on this question which I consider the all-important one at this time. I have always stood for good roads, as my friends know, and when I appeared before the people last fall as a candidate for County Commissioner, I pledged myself to them, if elected to do all in my power to give every section of Granville county good roads. And I am determined that so far as in my power, that pledge shall be redeemed.

It seems that all of the people want good roads, but many oppose the bond issue. In other words we want improved highways, but do not wish to pay for them. To be plain, that is the "whole milk in the cocoa-nut."

Some people say they oppose the bond issue because it will tax the people so heavily. Let us see. Some of our best and most experienced financiers have figured out this question and they claim that the people need not be taxed for the payment of these bonds. The funds from the dispensary, if properly applied from year to year, will liquidate these bonds. This is the plan I favor. I also favor the appointment of a Road Commission and a civil engineer and such a force as understand macadam road building.

I believe the Road Commission should be non-political and, in my opinion, the following men would make an excellent Commission: A. W. Graham, of Oxford; T. C. Rogers, of Brassfield; G. B. Royster, of Oak Hill; J. H. Gooch, of Tally Ho, and James Fleming, of Dutchville.

I believe that there should be an equal distribution of the road fund in each section of the county; that there should be no favoritism in any way in the work; that there should be no "special cuts" in the running of the roads to pass certain persons houses or to benefit any individual or clique, but that the general public good only should be considered.

Now, I want to say to the good people of the county that I am willing to co-operate in every way with them to secure this important public necessity. If anybody has suggestions looking to road improvements, let us hear them. Now is the time to speak out, unless you want to continue to drive in the mud axle deep. And in all candor I wish to say that now is the time for Granville's leaders (if she has any) to come to the front. If we want to get everything to suit everybody we will never have any public improvements.

Just here I wish to say that I favor spending the proceeds from the Creedmoor dispensary in that section, which seems but fair and equitable.

Your for the public good,

FRANKLIN H. GREGORY.

The editor agrees with his friend Gregory in his views on good roads. But we are sorry he did not use his influence as Commissioner to have the Board define its position and place itself on record. Such a course would have added powerfully in carrying the Bond issue. It is too late friend Gregory to "lock the stable door after the horse is stolen."

Lippincott's for June.

Lippincott's is always an interesting magazine, but its June number is of exceptional merit. One of its most attractive features is a play in verse, "A Princess of Virginia," by Kate Tucker Goode. As its name imports, it is a drama of the times of Pocahontas, Smith and Rolfe, and while all the characters are handled with a delicate and skilful touch, Pocahontas herself is invested with a simple child-like charm that makes her by far the most fascinating study in the play. This timely drama will doubtless be played by many an amateur organization within the next few months, and if the role of Pocahontas is well sustained it will prove a success.

A novelette, "A Tragedy of Circumstance," is another attractive feature of the June Lippincott's. The story is more original than most, is very gracefully told, and is altogether worth while.

In addition, the magazine contains eight short stories, and its department of fun will bring the grins.

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GRANVILLE VETERANS.

150 UNDER COMMAND OF A. W. GRAMAM.

Maurice T. Smith Camp No. 1277 off to Richmond and the Exposition.

Wednesday morning early the old battle-scarred veterans and the sons of veterans gathered in Oxford from different sections of the county to go to Richmond to attend the great Reunion of Confederate Veterans. For more than an hour before the meeting to get ready for the pleasant journey most of them assembled in front of the Court House, and talked about the days that tried men's souls and tested their bravery and endurance.

At 10:30 o'clock all met in the Court Room, and Commander Graham made them a very pleasant talk, and concluded by telling them of the arrangements he had been to Richmond and made for their comfort during their stay in the city on the James. He referred to the trip to Jamestown and the unveiling of the monument to President Jefferson Davis at the capital of the Confederacy 42 years after the bloody conflict.

The Seaboard road furnished two nice comfortable cars for the veterans, on the sides of one car was placed the name of the camp.

Judge Graham was quite a busy man up to time of the departure of the train at 11:55 looking after everything connected with the trip, as he takes a deep interest in the veterans.

About 150 were in the party and left with the bright anticipation of having a grand time at the reunion and at Jamestown.

The following are the names of officers and men of Maurice Smith Camp along with the sons of veterans who left on the train:

A. W. Graham, Commander.
A. D. Peace, 1st Lieut. Commander.
M. Blalock, 2nd Lieut. Commander.
Jas. K. Wood, Adjutant.
W. B. Royster, 1st Sergeant.
J. H. Cozart, 2nd Sergeant.
J. R. Fowler, 3rd Sergeant.
W. C. Peed, 4th Sergeant.
D. Y. Hunt, 5th Sergeant.
B. I. Breedlove, Color Sergeant.
Thos. D. Royster, Color Guard.
Jno. T. Murray, Color Guard.
J. L. Ferguson, Commissary.
Rev. A. B. Dunaway, Chaplain.
Delegates to Reunion: B. P. Thorp, N. D. Morton, A. S. Carrington, M. Blalock.

Alternates: J. M. B. Hunt, E. E. Lyon, G. B. Daniel, W. A. Blackley. Members: Jas. W. Adeock, W. J. Barnett, R. B. Beasley, W. A. Blackley, M. Blalock, B. I. Breedlove, D. B. Burchett, J. W. Cash, A. S. Carrington, G. W. Gattlett, James Clark, H. F. Cole, W. D. Cawthorn, W. R. Cox, J. H. Cozart, R. T. Crews, John B. Currin, R. S. Currin, Samuel J. Currin, J. K. Chandler, Geo. B. Daniel, G. S. Daniel, Howard Dorsey, Zach Daniel, W. H. Daniel, L. C. Daniel, Amos Dean, W. F. Dement, S. T. Dickerson, Rev. A. B. Dunaway, H. H. Eatman, L. S. Elliott, Mat Eakes, James Estes, J. L. Ferguson, E. C. Frazier, J. R. Fowler, P. P. Guerrant, Roland Goss, Duck Haswell, J. P. Harris, J. P. Hayden, Jno. M. Hester, H. H. Howard, J. S. Hobbins, D. Y. Hunt, J. M. B. Hunt, Jno. W. Hunt, L. Hunter, W. G. Johnson, Benton Jones, John Jones, Lawson Knott, J. W. Knott, E. E. Lyon, J. Y. Longmire, J. T. McDonough, James Merritt, N. D. Morton, L. H. Moss, J. T. Murray, J. G. Norwood, S. R. O'Bryant, W. V. T. Overton, Abner D. Peace, W. C. Peed, S. R. Puckett, Thos. Ragan, J. V. Renn, W. L. Robards, Thos. D. Royster, Wm. B. Royster, J. A. Shotwell, W. P. Slaughter, Jas. T. Stark, Wilkin Stovall, Geo. Stroud, W. C. Stroud, Ike Stegall, Chas. R. Thomason, J. Monroe Thomason, B. P. Thorp, G. W. Twisdale, D. W. Usry, Thos. D. Waller, Thos. Walker, Jas. K. Wilkerson, Jas. Wilkerson, Jno. D. Williams, J. K. Wood, F. M. Woody, R. J. Woody.

Sons of Veterans: R. A. Adeock, W. B. Adeock, A. Baker, W. T. Blackwell, F. O. Bumpass, Wiley Bumpass, A. S. Carrington, B. F. Currin, L. F. Currin, Lonnie G. Daniel, Chas. L. Daniel, R. I. Daniel, Robt. Dixon, Jas. B. Elliott, D. W. Fowler, Dr. T. B. Lawrence, L. A. Longmire, Matt Nelson, A. D. Newton, J. M. Phipps, E. H. Pruitt, Wade H. Smith, S. M. Wheeler, Luther Wilkerson and H. S. Williams.

A bushel of fun is sometimes followed by a peck of trouble.

LIFE AND ITS OPPORTUNITIES.

Work and Progress the Order of Creation.

Life is a gift of inestimable value, and fraught with interest which in their effect are as lasting as eternity. Life is given us for a grand purpose, the improvement of ourselves, and helping to better the condition of our fellow men. How important it is that we make a proper use of our time and talents. Work and progress are the order of creation. Among the busy toilers in life's harvest fields there is no place for idlers; neither should we spend all our time digging in the earth after the perishable riches of this world. Man was formed for a nobler purpose. He lives for eternity, where silver will not be needed, where gold will be of no value. Life is far too short and uncertain, the future one too near and real, that we should risk all on the one pursuit for earthly treasure. Opportunities for usefulness are many. Along every pathway in life are weary, toil-worn pilgrims, longing for a cheering word, for a helping hand. Shall our lives be one of passiveness who the present calls so loudly for action? Can we fold our hands in idleness, murmuring that there is nothing for us to do? Can we deny light and help to those who are adrift on life's stormy sea? They who have the brightest light should hold it up highest, that its rays may flash out the farther in the surrounding darkness. If life and its many opportunities have been well improved, how grand will be the reflection when we come to stand on the farther shore of life, and look backward, to know that our great object in life was to help our fellow men up to a fairer land.

The Indian Maidens.

North Carolina girls don't blame those Oklahoma Indian maidens who have written to North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts to request a few husbands from among the students who finish the course. However, the Tar Heel girls will consider that the A. & M. College hasn't done its duty if it hasn't educated the boys to the proper importance of first supplying the home demand. North Carolinians for North Carolinians.—Wilmington Star.

Could have Saved \$400 or \$500.

From the best information we can gather from different sections of the county there will be less than 200 votes cast in favor of the road bond issue. Pity but what the County Commissioners when they refused to take action as to appointment of a Highway Commission, and also to assure the people that no partiality would be shown in the distribution of the road fund, had called off the election which would have saved the county between \$400 and \$500.

Girl Killed by Lightning.

An electrical storm, accompanied by a severe wind and hail, did much damage to crops near Rutherfordton May 27th. The wind blew off a large portion of the roof of Rutherford hospital and carried it some distance away. A small building close by, which is used for colored patients was moved ten or fifteen feet from its foundation.

During the storm Miss Lola Green was killed by lightning. The young lady was standing on the front porch at her home when she received the fatal stroke.

Death of an Aged Lady.

Mrs. Harriet Newman Wilson died at her home near Dexter Friday last and the remains were buried Saturday at the Nelson graveyard.

She was in the 86th year of her age, and was in perfect health up to 10 months ago. She was for 45 years a consistent member of Island Creek Baptist church, and greatly beloved by all who knew her. She was a widow 45 years and leaves behind one daughter, Mrs. J. H. Hicks to mourn her demise. Her long and useful life has ended and her spirit is forever at rest.

List Your Taxes.

The books will be open at the Court House June 3rd for listing the corporation taxes for the town of Oxford.

R. B. HINES, Listtaker

Flat River Association.

The Clerks of all the churches are requested to send the letters to the Association, to the Clerk of the Association, J. C. Howard, Oxford, N. C. R. F. D. 6, two weeks before the meeting of the Association, July 16th, 1907.

J. A. STRADLEY, Moderator.

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NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

CULLED FROM THE VARIOUS PAPERS OF THE STATE.

Tar Heel Items for Tar Heel Readers—Some Happenings in Old North State.

Mr. John Paul Lucas, editor of the Winston-Salem Journal, and Miss Alice Craft, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Craft, of Wilmington, will be married next month.

A premature explosion occurred on the line of the Sunburst railroad, near Canton, Haywood county, Tuesday, which injured four men, all of them foreigners, two of whom may die.

Jack White, a negro living five miles from Concord, Carrabass county, killed his child and brutally attacked his wife with a knife, but she escaped fatal injuries. White was believed to be crazy suddenly. The child's throat was cut from ear to ear.

Bob Murphy shot and badly wounded Dunc Thompson, also colored, near Rowland Wednesday afternoon. He was carried to Lumberton and placed in jail by Sheriff Highly. Murphy eloped with a colored damsel, and Thompson went after them to take the girl away, and a fight ensued with above result.

The traditional enmity between the serpent and the woman was well illustrated a few days ago in the conflict between Mrs. J. A. Green and a very large adder. After she managed to cut off its head the body crawled about twenty feet while the head rolled over several times, winking its eyes and shooting out its forked tongue in a wicked manner.—Lillington News.

Albert Robbins, a young white man from Franklin county has been sentenced by Judge Purnell in the federal court to two years in Atlanta prison for blockading. He also shot Deputy United States Marshal Jordan from ambush just before he was arrested. Jordan's face was peppered with shot but the wounds were not serious. He was not tried for the shooting.

The longest term imposed so far during the present term of Federal Court dealt out Thursday morning to a young man from Franklin county by the name of Albert Robbins. His reputation is somewhat bad for making blockade liquor and has made it harder for him than it otherwise would have been. He was given two years in the penitentiary and fined \$200 and the costs.

It will be ten days before the analysis of the stomachs of David Rowland and Engineer Strange are completed. Another lawyer, S. G. Ryan, has been added to the three already employed to represent Dr. Rowland and Mrs. Rowland. One of these attorneys took Mrs. Rowland to Henderson, where she now is, near her husband. All the lawyers have been paid handsome retaining fees.

A horrible accident occurred at the farm residence of A. G. Jones, in Harnett county, six miles from Angiers. Miss Amantha Jones, the nineteen-year-old daughter of Mr. Jones, was so badly burned that she died a few hours later in the evening, Thursday. Miss Jones was building a fire in a cook stove with wood saturated with kerosene oil and when a match was applied the flash set fire to her clothing.

We learn on good authority that Burwell Dewar, colored, who lives just across the river in Hector's Creek township, is the happy father of a boy with three arms, the usual complement in the usual places, and an extra one on the back. The extra one is rather small and is attached to the skin and flesh only. There are other peculiarities about the child that make it a very interesting specimen. It is several weeks old and is reported to be doing well. Just think of the possibilities of three arms and three "razzabs" at "de festibal." He can rake 'em "gwine and comin'."—Lillington News.

There are perhaps very few instances in which father and son served in the Confederacy and both still live, but there is one such case in Harnett county. Mr. Jacob Holder and his son, Mr. Ripley, entered, in Company H, 50th Regiment N. C. Troops. One of them enlisted in 1862, the other in 1863, and both live and are on the pension roll. Mr. Jacob Holder is quite feeble, being near 90 years old. There were several such instances in this county two years ago, but there is only one now. One by one they are passing over, steadily the eternal camp is growing. Ere long—taps—and all will be asleep.—Lillington News.