

# The Oxford Public Ledger

OXFORD, N. C., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1909.

## FAIR COMMITTEE.

County Agricultural Society  
Fair—Test Farm Com-  
mittee Meeting Last Saturday.

A meeting in the county  
commissioners' room in the court  
house Saturday at twelve o'clock  
was held to appoint a committee  
to prepare plans for the county  
fair and of securing a suitable  
experiment farm for Grand  
Rapids. There was a rather  
large attendance of the committee.

The committee consists of two members from  
each of the convenient voting precincts  
and a great enthusiasm  
was shown by those present. They  
were asked to work in earnest and  
to be ready to take at the meeting guar-  
antee of the undertaking.  
It was recommended that the  
committee should be  
organized as soon as possible, and  
that Mr. J. F. Webb, county  
commissioner, should be  
appointed to fill the important  
duties of chairman of the committee.  
The committee has been notified  
of the above and has accepted  
of the same. It is recommended that  
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## COMMERCIAL CLUB ACTIVE.

Preparing to do Important Work in  
Interest of Town—Committees ap-  
pointed at Governor's Meeting.

The Granville Commercial Club is  
getting in readiness to begin active  
operations looking towards the  
commercial growth and welfare of Oxford  
and the county. It did its first  
work in bringing about a conference  
between the Electric Light and Water  
Company and the citizens of the  
town, and has been the means of ad-  
justing a very serious state of af-  
airs. In that one action, it has de-  
monstrated its power for doing things  
and has given itself a prestige that  
otherwise might have taken months  
to effect.

The club has taken a deep interest  
in the question of day current  
and has appointed a committee  
consisting of Messrs. T. Lamer and W.  
B. Ballou and F. E. T. White to in-  
vestigate the field looking to getting  
more patronage for day current, and  
the reduction of rate so that an ad-  
ditional inducement may be given to  
the inquiries coming in from parties  
who have capital to put in Southern  
industries. The committee is now  
figuring with a gentleman who is in  
a position to use a great quantity of  
current and it is more than prob-  
able that a contract can be made be-  
tween this party and the Oxford Water  
and Electric Co.

A gentleman from another town will  
be in Oxford shortly looking over the  
situation with a view of establishing  
a factory, and the Commercial Club  
is preparing to give him all the as-  
sistance possible and hopes to land  
the enterprise.

Newspaper Man in Town.

Mr. William Lyon, representing the  
Charlotte Observer, was a visitor  
in Oxford Monday, and was pleased  
to speak very highly of the town.  
Mr. Lyon, who is a first rate news-  
paper man, has numerous relatives  
in Dutchville township. He says that  
Oxford has greatly improved and he  
was surprised at the beneficial changes.

Transfer of Property.

Mr. J. Robt. Wood on Monday after-  
noon purchased of Messrs. Cooper  
Stedman and Ury the two lots to the  
north of the Chapman building. A  
reporter asked Mr. Wood something  
about the deal and as to what he  
intended doing with the property. All  
he could get out of this crafty  
fellow was that he had made the  
purchase, but the reporter has visions  
of seeing a handsome new structure  
go up on the site. Mr. Wood smiled  
broadly, but he declined to commit  
himself on the subject.

Had Good Opening.

Mr. W. H. Upchurch estimates that  
nearly five hundred people it not  
that many people were present at  
the formal opening of Upchurch Pros-  
per place of business in the Chap-  
man building. The firm has a fine  
store and everything looks good. The  
arrangements are all right and the  
store is a credit to Oxford.

On the day of opening a register  
was kept in the office for visitors to  
enroll and almost two hundred and  
fifty affixed their signatures therein.  
But Mr. Upchurch thinks that fully  
half of the visitors could not be  
waited upon and that numbers failed  
to register for this reason.

## TEACHERS' MEETING.

Fifty or Sixty Cranville Teachers  
Present—Several Good Talks Made  
Dr. Salls Makes Pertinent Remarks  
on Hygiene.

Between fifty and sixty teachers in  
the Granville public schools gath-  
ered in the Graded School building  
and had an interesting session from  
twelve to two o'clock last Saturday.  
Several talks were made before  
the body, and the occasion was one  
of much benefit.

Dr. A. Salls addressed the teach-  
ers on the subject of hygiene and  
made many pertinent remarks during  
the course of his talk. He empha-  
sized the importance of trying to  
prevent contagious diseases from spread-  
ing in schools; the necessity of giving  
the proper drainage to the school  
rooms; and the importance of keep-  
ing a uniform neat little class room.  
He also made a very excellent recom-  
mendation in proposing that hand-  
washing should be used.

Prof. J. A. Divens, of Raleigh, of  
State Department's Teachers' Train-  
ing course, was present and gave  
a very instructive talk, advancing a  
very interesting talk, advancing a  
better equipment for teachers, dis-  
cussing the reading and study course  
he has just gotten out a pamphlet  
entitled "The Teachers' Reading Cir-  
cle", and in it recommends several  
books for the teachers to make stud-  
ies of. Among them are: Hamilton's  
"The Recitation"; Dinsmore's "Teach-  
ing a District School"; McNary's  
"Special Method in Reading for the  
Grades"; and North Carolina educa-  
tion.

Mayor Dennis G. Brunmitt, repre-  
senting the Junior Order, was also  
present and made a proposition to  
help each school to get a bible and  
a flag. He said that he could not  
then give a definite promise as to  
how much the Order would give, but  
he promised that the Order would do  
something.

The superintendent, Mr. J. F. Webb  
in the course of his remarks dis-  
cussed the question of having the  
school children brought to Oxford  
on the day of the unveiling of the  
Confederate monument, October the  
30th. Mrs. W. H. White came to the  
meeting and extended an invitation  
upon behalf of the committee to the  
school children, and it is more than  
probable that two thousand or more  
boys and girls will be present upon  
the great occasion and take a prom-  
inent part in the programme.

There was not time left after the  
speeches for taking up the business  
matters that will be taken up at  
the next meeting which the superinten-  
dent will probably call in about 30  
days. Among the teachers present  
were: Miss Dora Overton, Tally Ho,  
Miss Etta Washington, Tally Ho,  
Miss Royster, Oak Hill No. 4, Miss  
Allie Adcock, Berea, Miss Mary Shot-  
well, Walnut Grove No. 2, Misses Al-  
berta and Lucie Allen, Berea's Chapel,  
Misses Carrie Fuller and Ethel  
Gray, Salem Cross Roads, Miss Lu-  
lian Patton, Oak Hill No. 5, Mr. M. S.  
Giles, and Misses Harlie Jones, Hen-  
rietta Booth, and Bessie Mangum, of  
Stem High School, Miss Grisselle Smith,  
Tar River, Miss Anna Clayton, Lyons,  
Miss Corinne Taylor, Tally Ho, and  
Miss Blalock, Cultivator, Misses Ethel  
Breedlove and Helen Salls, Farm Hill,  
Miss May Breedlove, Salem No. 4,  
Misses Cora Phillips and Hilda Latta,  
Howard, Misses Mabel Jones and  
Lena Mason, Enon, Misses Irma Un-  
stead and Katie Lou Hundley, Knap  
Reeds High School, Miss Mary Rann,  
Fishing Creek, No. 2, Miss Mary Webb,  
Salem, No. 4, Miss Ruth Webb, Mt. Car-  
mel, Miss Bailey Daniel, Willow  
Branch, Miss Sarah Daniel, Satter-  
white, Miss Mary Willie Allen, Pro-  
vidence, Miss Jean Daniel, Corinth,  
Miss Ora Taylor, Oak Hill, Miss Lil-  
lian Minor, Stovall, Miss Daisy Minor,  
Oxford, No. 3, Mr. W. S. Howell, Fish-  
ing Creek No. 1, Miss Janie Clayton,  
Tally Ho No. 3, Miss Ethel Holmes,  
Northside, Mr. J. A. Pitts and Miss  
Lena Markham, Creedmoor High School,  
Miss Lelia Routen, Oxford, No. 1, Miss  
Jewel Floyd, and Miss Violett, Bullock,  
Misses Lucy Jones and Naomie Cash  
Hester, Misses Ruth Hardy and Vir-  
gie Pendleton, Pleasant Grove, Miss  
Nannie Lou Adcock, Willford School,  
Miss Mable Cannady, Curran School,  
Miss Hollie Roller, Fruit, Miss An-  
nie Bryan, Knots Grove, Miss Mam-  
mie Gates, Wheatstone, Miss Etta Eak  
Oak Hill No. 1.

Mr. Caldwell Gives Barbecue.

At his handsome home at Gela,  
near Stovall, Mr. E. M. Caldwell gave  
a barbecue to his friends in the town  
and county on Wednesday afternoon  
3 o'clock. A great many guests were  
present and the occasion was a most  
enjoyable one.

Joshua Simpkins Show.

## JONES FULLER RESIGNS.

Solicitor Fuller Has Accepted Posi-  
tion With United Drug Company at  
Succesor Will Be Appointed by  
Governor.

Last week the people of this dis-  
trict were surprised to hear that the  
Hon. Jones Fuller of Durham, who oc-  
cupies the office of solicitor, has ac-  
cepted a magnificent position with  
the United Drug Company, of Boston  
as its attorney, and will move to Bos-  
ton to live. His resignation as so-  
licitor is supposed to be on the way  
to the Governor, and there are a num-  
ber of applicants in the field to fill  
the vacancy.

Among the applicants are Capt. W.  
A. Devin of Oxford, Hon. Sam M. Gat-  
tis, of Hillsboro, Thomas Settle Deal  
and E. D. Broadhurst of Greensboro,  
Thomas J. Murphy, Wayland Cooke,  
and others. The friends of the vari-  
ous candidates are at work on their  
part, and the Governor's decision  
is awaited with keen interest.

Several of Mr. P. P. Hobgood's  
friends were anxious for him to let  
his name be known, but Mr. Col. Hob-  
good declined to give up his private  
practice. Referring to the matter  
Andrew J. Jumper, some days ago says  
in the News and Observer:

"Col. P. P. Hobgood, who had the  
solid support of the Guilford county  
Democracy for the nomination last  
year when after a long struggle at  
the convention in Durham, Fuller was  
nominated, being considered the local  
candidate from Guilford for the ap-  
pointment, when seen tonight, and  
he was absolutely in ignorance of  
the resignation of Solicitor Fuller,  
of endorsement of his successor hav-  
ing been sought and obtained, but  
that in no event would he be a can-  
didate for the appointment, because  
he would not now relinquish his pri-  
vate practice for the position, even  
should it be tendered him."

Mr. Fuller was elected last year  
to fill the unexpired term of A. L.  
Brooks, solicitor, who resigned in or-  
der to run for Congress. The term  
expires next year and the new ap-  
pointee will have but a short term  
before having to face another nomi-  
nation convention. The position in  
this district formerly was a splendid pay-  
ing one, said to be the best in the  
State, but the establishment by the  
last Legislature of recorders courts  
in Durham, Greensboro, and High  
Point, has largely decreased the re-  
munerations of the office without de-  
creasing the heaviest and most re-  
sponsible part of the labor.

Pistol-Toting.

Cowardly and Egotistic Pistol-Toters  
Responsible for Great Percentage  
of Crimes—Habit Should Be Broken  
Up.

The Texas legislature at its latest  
session imposed a tax of 10 per cent  
on the gross receipts derived from  
the sale of pistols in that state. This  
was done with a view to making  
pistol-toting more expensive. In  
other communities it has been sug-  
gested to make the carrying of  
weapons a felony punishable  
by confinement at hard labor  
in the penitentiary. Another  
suggestion is to make a felony of  
being in possession of a pistol the  
manufacture, offer for sale, or hav-  
ing in one's possession a pistol  
which is less than eighteen inches in  
length.

Given a fool who is a coward and  
an egotist, and make this creature  
drunk, and put a pistol in his  
pocket, and the chances are seven or  
eight to one that there will be a  
murder in that fellow's haunts be-  
fore midnight. There are more  
homicides of that sort perpetrated  
in this land of the free every calen-  
dar month of the year than all the  
casualties of battles on land or sea  
of the late war with Spain. The  
country has got to be too high-toned to  
legally hang its murderers, and hence  
there has grown up the demoralizing  
practice of lynching them. Trials in  
courts of criminal justice are too  
frequently travesties on justice.

## SPECIAL TAX ELECTION.

People at Pleasant Grove, Brassfield,  
To Vote on Special Tax—Other  
Elections to Be Held.

The people around Pleasant Grove  
in Brassfield, have decided to vote  
on the question of having a special  
tax levied for their school, and an  
election has been called by the Com-  
missioners for the 9th of November.  
There is a great deal of interest in  
the question and some prominent  
speakers yet to be chosen will ad-  
dress the people on the subject, upon  
a date to be announced later.

The County Superintendent advises  
that other districts are clearing  
for elections, and that several more  
will soon be called.

PLEASE SEND IN ITEMS.

Reason For Being "Left Out"—Edi-  
tors Always More Than Glad to  
Have Timely Communications.

Quite often the editors of the Led-  
ger are censured unjustly by people  
who labor under the belief that some  
item of news in which they are in-  
terested is not given notice on their  
account. In such cases, if the people  
in question would take the trouble to  
investigate, they would find that the  
editors were entirely ignorant of  
what they were supposed to be aware  
of.

The editors are exceedingly an-  
xious to have every bit of news that  
is going. Marriages, deaths, social  
functions, business items, and every-  
thing that is properly to be classed  
as a news item is always more than  
welcome in this office. We try our  
best to get all of these and deeply  
regret the omission of a single avail-  
able item, but it is impossible not to  
overlook or be unaware of a great  
many in the course of a year.

We have repeatedly asked our  
friends and patrons to drop us a line  
or in some way advise us of anything  
in the way of news that may come  
within their knowledge. All papers  
from the humblest weekly to the met-  
ropolitan dailies, get a great deal  
of their regular items in this way.  
Were any paper to lose this source  
of information, the direct report from  
the people about whom the news in-  
terests are written—a good percentage  
of news items that do appear would  
never have seen print, for the reason  
that they would nothave come  
within the knowledge of the paper.  
It is very wrong to suppose that a  
paper ignores one man and takes  
pains to boast another. It will usual-  
ly be found that the man who is  
thought of as boosted at all times  
is one of the paper's regulars—that is  
a man who is aware of what is going  
on and not only keeps in touch with  
it, but who takes pleasure in giving  
the benefit of his information to the  
newspaper man.

Our patrons, whatever their posi-  
tion or standing may be, are not re-  
served that the Ledger will take every  
bit of news sent in as a great favor,  
and that the paper is more than an-  
xious to have their news items. All  
is glad that comes to this mail. We  
everything suitable to publish and  
we never "leave out" anything on  
account of personality. We would  
publish a news item concerning the  
offenses of a man, though we hope  
there is no such person in exist-  
ence.

When you are "left out" the rea-  
son is that we did not know about  
you. Send in your items and you will  
not be "left out."

## ATTRACTION AT OPERA HOUSE.

Merchant of Venice to Be Played by  
Good Company Saturday Night—  
Carries Own Scenery.

On Saturday night a good company  
headed by Mr. Edward D'Oise, an ac-  
tor of much talent, will present the  
"Merchant of Venice." Oxford peo-  
ple will remember Mr. D'Oise, who  
a few years ago trained a number of  
local thespians for several days prior  
to putting on "David Garrick," the  
execution of which, left many things  
to be desired, however, through no  
fault of Mr. D'Oise.

The Company is said to be a most  
capable one. Mr. D'Oise himself is a  
good actor and the "Merchant of  
Venice" promises to be the best at-  
traction that Oxford has had for a  
number of years.  
Mr. D'Oise will give a lecture before  
the ladies club on Saturday after-  
noon at the Graded School, his theme  
being Shakespeareana.

The young actor is a Southerner  
by birth and raising. He was born  
in New Orleans in 1879, his father,  
Laurin J. D'Oise having been an offi-  
cer on General Bragg's staff during  
the war between the states, was a  
native of Baltimore and of French de-  
scent, and his mother of English and  
Irish extraction, a native of Willing-  
ton, North Carolina.

Mr. D'Oise's manager, Mr. Guy F.  
Gregg, is from Virginia, and his ad-  
vance representative Mr. Edward M.  
Roberts is a native of Memphis, Tenn.  
There are besides, in the support of  
the star several actors whose names  
are familiar in both the north and  
the south.

DEATH OF MRS. BULLOCK.

Mother of Mr. P. Bullock Died Fri-  
day Morning After Few Days Ill-  
ness—Buried in Country.

Mrs. Narcissa Bullock, mother of  
Mr. Peter Bullock of Oxford, died at her home  
last Friday morning about 1:30 A. M.  
Mrs. Bullock has been in bad health  
for a number of years, heart trou-  
ble and digestive disturbances hav-  
ing afflicted her.

On Saturday night preceding her  
demise, Mrs. Bullock was seized with  
a chill, but on Thursday noon, her  
condition was apparently greatly im-  
proved and she was expected to re-  
gain her normal condition. At night  
however, she sustained a relapse and  
died a little after midnight. Mrs.  
Bullock had not been well enough to  
have her lot for a number of years.  
The funeral services were con-  
ducted from the house at 9 o'clock Sat-  
urday morning, and the remains were  
carried to the old home in the country  
and there buried, the Rev. L. S. Mes-  
sery conducting them.

RESIGNS OFFICE.

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Resignation of Solicitor Fuller—  
Comments of Durham Daily upon  
Record of Office During Term.

Solicitor Jones Fuller yesterday pro-  
ceeded to resign the office of solicitor  
of the fourth North Carolina judi-  
cial district and Governor Kizer will  
receive the commission today that  
he gave fourteen months ago in mak-  
ing Mr. Fuller the successor of A. L.  
Brooks.

Mr. Fuller attended Orange county  
court this week, and as announced  
by him last week will retire. The ap-  
pointment of his successor is in or-  
der at any time and it is expected  
that the governor will name the man  
this week. It will be just as inter-  
esting a thing to look for as it was  
before the convention of last year.

The incumbent of this office will  
take the work up after but little less  
than a year's work in it, giving him  
three more and a few months. The  
district is one of the best ones in  
the state, and until the establishment  
of the recordership at Durham and  
Greensboro, was the richest in fees  
of all the state divisions.

Mr. Fuller has been a popular pro-  
secuting officer and it is noteworthy  
that the republican press has been  
very friendly to him. The editorial  
utterances of the Greensboro News  
have been very pleasing to a man  
who differs so materially from the  
politics of that paper. He has been  
a quiet advocate for the state  
and he has been eminently fair to  
those who were under his prosecution.

MRS. MOORE IMPROVING.

Recovering From Effects of Amputa-  
tion of Leg, Which Was Made a-  
bout Two Weeks Ago.

Mrs. J. R. Moore who lost a limb  
last week through amputation is do-  
ing very nicely and is recovering rap-  
idly.

About ten weeks ago Mrs. Moore  
stuck a needle in her foot, but at  
the time paid no attention to the ac-  
cident. Later however, the foot and  
leg began to pain and a great deal  
of inflammation followed. Dr. G. A.  
Coggeshall, the physician in atten-  
dance, did everything to cure the mal-  
ady, but finally it was found neces-  
sary to amputate. Examination re-  
vealed the fact that the bones of the  
foot were decaying.

Dr. Coggeshall assisted by Drs. Wa-  
kins, Salls, and Hobbgood, amputated  
the limb Friday week. The friends  
of the Moores are glad to see the  
encouraging reports, and are anxious  
for the patient's recovery.