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# LOCAL · NEWS

## BRIEFLY NOTED.

The Elm City Gazette, Carleton E. Palmer, col., editor and proprietor, has been revived. The present issue is Vol. 1, No. 25.

There were about fifty barrels of horse radish shipped from the neighborhood of Maysville near New Berne during the month of January. Twenty barrels went off Friday, January 31st.

Rev. H. Winfield expresses himself as more than pleased at the reception of a box of valuable contents from Mr. John and Miss Carrie Barrington, members of the church he serves at Zorah.

There were several legal sales of real estate at the court house door Monday by auctioneer Street, some country lands and in few lots in Pavie town were sold. There was no sale of much importance.

During Fair week there will be two dances—a German on Wednesday night and a Marshal's Ball on Friday night. They will be under the auspices of the New Berne German club.

Dr. E. H. Goldberg is well fixed in his new and well located office over the Ballam Pharmacy. He is skillful in his profession, clever and attentive to patients and he is building up a good business as dentist.

Mr. J. T. Eaton of Morehead City is again in newspaper canvassing work. He represents the Carolinian and the Progressive Farmer. He has been working the past week along the line of the A. & N. C. R. R. from one end to the other.

Mayor Wm. Ellis, Mr. M. U. Sultan and Mr. J. P. Allen, Messrs. Barkhurn and Willett's trainer, returned from Wilmington. They attended the good races held in Wilmington, Friday. Mr. Allen also secured a Wilmington horse to train for the New Berne Fair races.

Mr. Chas. Reisinstein will begin this week to make a personal canvass of the business houses in the city, for the purpose of selling Fair season tickets. Be ready for him and thus make yourself assured of obtaining yours at the low rate now prevailing.

The hospital movement has taken a good start, and with the proper uniting of our citizens, its establishment is assured. The time for it has long been realized and we hope to see it in operation at an early day.

Mr. B. F. Herring, agent for the Sibley Piano Co., has shown us a well written old letter. It is 64 years of age—the date is February 16th, 1832. It was written from New Berne by Wm. W. Crouse, then a school boy in this city, to Mr. Herring's father, who was his cousin.

Another old colonial piece of money has been handed in to us. It belongs to Mr. C. L. Stevens and bears the date of 1776. It was printed at Philadelphia by Hall and Sellers and it shows on its face that it was the "Continental currency of the United Colonies."

Councilman B. B. Neal went down Wednesday to Jacksonville to attend a meeting of the directors of the W. N. & N. B. R. He went to represent the city's interest of $50,000 in the East Carolina Railway, that portion of the W. N. & N. B. R. lying between Jacksonville and New Berne.

Col. John D. Whitford left Monday morning on the W. N. & N. Railroad for Wilmington, expecting there to meet Gov. Carr and together they will visit Capt. Reed Whitford at Georgetown, and Gen. Edward Alexander on North Island, where Winyah bay and the ocean meet. Gen. Alexander was Chief of Artillery on Gen. Lee's staff at the great battle of Gettysburg.

### Col. Whitford's Communication.

We give this morning a communication on the much-written-about subject of what is the correct spelling of our city's name, but we do not intend to re-open any discussion thereon. We think all has been said on old lines that can be said; but this communication brings out some new facts, hence we give it space.

It is by Col. John D. Whitford, who has lived among the records at Raleigh with the interested zeal of a seeker after truth, who wants, rock-bottom, foundation facts, and he has searched diligently until he found them.

To his surprise, when he found them they contradicted and changed his preconceived views. They show, as Judge Clark expressed it "unquestionably" that the legal name of our city is neither Newberne nor New Berne, but New-Bern (the "B" and no final "e") and with the fairness which has ever characterized the colonel's writings, he has come out and said so.

We think his suggestion that the city attorney look for himself and announce what is the correct orthography and then for it the citizens to abide by it and thus secure uniformity a good one.

### Buoys Out of Place.

It appears to us that there is unwarranted neglect of the guides to navigation in North Carolina waters. We have often called attention to such being the case in the rivers and sounds near New Berne. We see in the last issue of the Beaufort Herald an item in the same line. It says it has information from Capt. Geo. Smith, that there is not a buoy on the bar that is in the proper place. Any one following the buoys would miss the channel 50 yards in some places.

A buoy tender should come down and make the needed changes. A false guide on the water is worse than no guide at all.

### The Knitting Factory.

The Clermont Knitting Mills which have been putting in new machinery started up Friday with only with a few hands. The two day's running has shown that everything is working well, and this week the factory will run with a full complement of hands for the number of machines that are in position.

Only about half the machinery is in position. Owing to the need for space, the putting of the other machines up will be delayed until immediately after the Fair. Then the mill will be made to do it's will.

### A Big Opossum.

Mr. J. B. Watson had an unusually large opossum at his place of business yesterday. The 'possum weighed fifteen pounds, gross.

This opossum has a history. He belonged to Sheriff Lane and the sheriff brought him to town to fatten and eat for his Christmas dinner. Just before Christmas the 'possum was found to be missing and was supposed to have been stolen, but Saturday night he was discovered and shot on Mr. Radcliff's fence by Mr. H. W. Williams of Asheville.

The opossum was not only large but he had remarkable tusks for animal of his species; they were an inch long.

### The Oldest Insurance Company

Our townsman, Mr. J. E. Allen, who recently moved here with his family from Homer City, Pennsylvania, hopes to have with him as one of the visitors to the Fair, his brother, Rev. P. S. Allen, of Philadelphia.

Mr. Allen's brother is secretary of the Presbyterian's Ministers' Fund which is an insurance company that insures only clergymen Presbyterianally govern'd (which includes Lutherans) and their wives and daughters. This is the oldest insurance company in the United States, having been founded in 1716, and incorporated in 1759, making it now 180 years old, which is nearly one hundred years older than any other.

## Superior Court.

MONDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Craven county Superior Court began Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock, Judge A. W. Graham presiding. Solicitor W. E. Daniel was present. Sheriff Lane and Court Reporter H. T. Richardson.

The grand jury was formed as follows: Foreman, Geo. S. Wilcox, William Dawson, B. F. Dixon, E. A. Lancaster, Hezekiah Richardson, J. Q. A. Sykes, B. F. Fulcher, Chas. R. Price, Thos. Rhodes, W. D. Whitford, W. W. Porter, E. E. Cox, John F. Ennett, Jos. L. Taylor, J. R. Rouse, Jno. E. Fulcher, R. W. Dougherty and E. J. Whitford.

Judge Graham's charge to the grand jury was short, but it was full and comprehensive. He has the faculty of speaking with a terseness that makes it count.

The first case on the docket was Georgia Cox, a colored girl, charged with larceny from Chas. F. Shaw of New Berne. Not a true bill.

The jury was impaneled on the following petit jurors in the morning: Jesse Bryan, Jesse Hodges, Jesse Hall, Jesse Hall, Jr., Jesse Hall, Sr., Jesse Hall, Jr., Jesse Hall, Sr., Jesse Hall, Jr., Jesse Hall, Sr.,