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THE JOURNAL.

New Bern, N. C., Mar. 6, 1900.

NEARBY AFFAIRS.

Matters of Local Interest in the City and Country.

Sales of cotton yesterday in the local market were 9 bales at 9 3/4c.

Rain, with slight changes in temperature is the forecast for today.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 72, the minimum 42 degrees.

The King's Daughters will meet tonight at the home of Miss Leah Jones, at 7:30 o'clock.

Regular weekly drill of Naval Reserves tonight at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be prompt.

Sheriff Joseph Kinsey offered his bonds as Sheriff and Tax Collector, yesterday, which were accepted.

Hop Wah's window curtain at the Chinese laundry caught fire last night. A still alarm was turned in but the blaze was put out by hand.

Commissioner Brewer yesterday secured a chain for Nelson's ferry, from Hyman Supply Co., so that travel over the ferry will be resumed today.

The buoy tender "Jessamine" has been in port several days and is tied up at the foot of Craven street. The buoys on the Neuse river are undergoing inspection.

W. B. Lewis and a companion were out in a small boat Friday and when off Pocosin Point their craft sank. The two were saved by a crew of fishermen who reached them in time.

A grass fire on the east side of Cedar Grove Cemetery Sunday afternoon burned part of the fence and threatened the small building. An alarm was turned in and the fire extinguished by the Fire Department.

United States Commissioner T. W. Dewey tried the case of the negro boy Ward yesterday for stealing letters from the post office. The boy in default of bail was bound over to the United States District Court in April.

Hand in Your Names.

Those who have friends to whom they wish the Fair Issue of the JOURNAL sent, will please send their names at once to this office.

Officers Elected.

The Directors of the Pembroke Manufacturing Company met last night for the election of officers. The following were elected:

W. B. Blades—President.
J. E. Latham—Vice President.
John C. Whitty—Secretary.
John Dunn—Treasurer.

Two Alarms.

An alarm of fire from box 26 yesterday morning was caused by a small blaze on the roof of the A. & N. C. carpenter shop. A bucket of water quenched the fire before the department reached the scene.

An alarm from box 56 last night at 7.30 o'clock was caused by a few sparks on the roof one of Big Hill's buildings. A big crowd was at the scene but no work was required of the fire laddies beyond laying and taking up hose.

Trains For New Bern Fair.

It is a matter of the utmost importance that transportation, both ample and at cheap rates be given the public, so that it may come to the New Bern Fair.

The Fair management is now in correspondence with the Southern Railway people, and it is hoped that a through train can be run from Durham and Raleigh to New Bern, so that the people in that section can attend the Fair, coming here and returning home the same day.

It is understood that the Atlantic Coast Line will offer no special inducement during Fair week for the people between Wilmington and this city.

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HOTEL IMPROVEMENTS.

Getting Ready For The Coming Season at Morehead. New Attractions.

The coming season at Morehead will be more brilliant and attractive than ever before.

Already preparations for it have commenced. People are planning to spend their summer vacation there, and the owners of the hotel are preparing to make their stay pleasant.

Over $6,000 will be spent in improvements in and about the hotel. Even now painters and carpenters are at work.

A novel feature of the coming season will be Fort Macon. It has been leased for a term of years from the government and is now being prepared as a resort and picnic ground for the guests of the hotel. Boats will be run to it regularly and everything possible will be done to make it a popular and pleasant resort.

Also Mr. E. B. Barbee, one of the owners of the hotel, is negotiating for the purchase of a yacht—one of the finest pleasure boats in Boston harbor. It cost $40,000 and has been offered to him for $18,000.

With these added attractions and the many improvements that are being made in every department of the hotel, the next season at Morehead must be a great one.—Raleigh News-Observer.

Contracting For Next Cotton Crop.

Commissioner W. C. Brewer, is in the city attending the regular monthly meeting of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Brewer says the season is late, the last few days being the really only spring weather days so far this year.

There will be an increased cotton acreage planted in his section, Mr. Brewer says, and also the advance agent is out bidding the farmers seven and one half cents for their next crop of cotton, which is not yet planted.

Miss Mary Ann Dickinson.

Because the announcement of the decease of this lady at the age of eighty-one years is to so many a message freighted with great sorrow it is thought well that the sense of bereavement should have public expression. Now that the grave has closed over her form forever, and the mortal part must henceforth be a memory only. Recollection brings up many incidents of her life which associates her memory with Him who was called good because He stopped on His journey and His business to succor the wounded and distressed whom many passed by on the other side.

There was a time in the history of New Bern when that dread scourge yellow fever in its most malignant form was raging through the county carrying death and fear in its path. In some households the whole family was sick at the same time and there were instances of two or three deaths in the house in one day. So fatal was the scourge that many of the afflicted were unattended except by the physician, and members of the same family, and when they were all sick there was suffering for want of nursing; but if others avoided in fear the houses when the pestilence stalked at noon day, not so did Miss Mary Ann.

In one hour, the husband and wife, three small children and a servant were all dangerously sick with the disease. A nurse could not be had for love or money. Apparently everybody was frightened. But through it all, and in the midst of the pestilence, Miss Mary fearlessly and without reward met the doctor at the bedsides of this family, took his directions, carried them out and supplemented his skill with her own remarkable inborn faculty for relieving disease. In this case her ministrations were given, not only at great peril to her person, but also at the risk of sacrifice to her pecuniary interests. For the last reason her visits were usually made secretly by climbing over fences and passing over back lots. She kept a change of clothing in an out house of the place visited so that she would not bring the well in contact with the garments that had been in the infected atmosphere. All this she did for those who were then neither friends nor kindred, with no motive save duty, and no thought of reward besides the approving smile of her Master who said "go thou and do likewise." She was then young, but even to the late year of old age her life has been devoted to others. She was never married, but there will be sincere sorrow in the hearts of many grateful parents and their children when they are told that Miss Mary Ann is dead. A BENEFICIARY.

The Lost Ariosto.

Capt. R. R. Baines, who lost 28 of his crew when the British steamship Ariosto stranded on the Carolina coast two months ago, arrived at Norfolk Thursday, on the Merritt & Chapman wrecking tug Rescue, from Ocracoke, where the Ariosto is a complete wreck. The Ariosto, the pride of her English owners, which was worth $300,000 before she struck on Hatteras Shoals, will not sell for $50 as junk. Captain Baines will remain in Norfolk until the Rescue finishes stripping the Ariosto and will then go home to England.

The British steamer Minerva, arrived at Norfolk from New Orleans, reports passing thirteen miles off Hatteras the abandoned lumber-laden schooner Sarah Ward, whose crew arrived has at New York.

Pine Association Exhibit.

The North Carolina Pine Association in annual session at Norfolk elected officers. John L. Roper, of Norfolk, is president, and F. E. Walters, of Baltimore, is one of the directors. It was announced that the association's exhibit, which will appear in the Forestry Building at the Paris Exposition, has been prepared and is now in Baltimore awaiting shipment to France.

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IT WORKED.

Scheme of a Sheriff To Get The Taxes Paid In.

The Sheriff of one of the eastern counties, finding that taxes were coming in slowly concocted a scheme that for novelty and effectiveness would be hard to parallel.

In February he went to four colored preachers and for small amounts, one dollar to a dollar and a half each, he engaged them to announce that unless taxes were paid by March 1st, those not having paid would loose their votes in future elections. The announcements were made in due course and there was a great rush to pay taxes in that section. At one place where the Sheriff was in waiting there was a rush of 300 to hand in their money and the Sheriff employed four deputies to assist him. A good many white folks were caught by the ruse.

The Current Topics Club.

The newly organized Current Topics Club held its third meeting at the home of Miss Addie Claypoole Friday night. The club has a large membership and is proving both instructive and entertaining. At each meeting several members are named to prepare or read papers on the subject selected. Then there is general discussion and criticism. Light refreshments are allowed at the close of the evening to restore exhausted energies.

The President of the club is Mr. R. A. Nunn; Vice-President, Miss Leah Jones; Secretary, Miss Annie Stevenson. The subject last discussed was "Epansion." The regular meeting is every other Monday night and the next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Louise Dennison, March 12th.

At the last meeting a poem was written and read by one of the members and is given herewith.

Expansion.

Shall we expand?
And do we say that might makes right?
Is that the cause in which we fight
In that far land,
And measure up to duty's height?

Shall we expand?
When Dewey's guns the echoes woke,
And wrapt the bay in battle smoke,
O'er sea and land,
That end our destiny bespoke.

We must expand.
The seething blood is in our veins,
No cowardice our banner stains,
Valor has manned
The flag that honors what it gains.

If we expand,
And toil across those leagues of sea,
No conqueror's power must be our plea
On Luzon's strand,
But faith and hope and charity.

When we expan,
To civilize must be the aim,
Else nations will our actions blame.
Filipino land
Would wake again in angry flame.

Our view is dim,
In darkness still our footsteps dwell.
Yet He who doeth all things well
It is for Him
To weigh our acts, our motives tell.

Burned in the Field.

Friday evening a field of dry grass and vegetation was being burned on a farm belonging to James A. Bryan near Havelock. Clifford Rogerson, son of Capt. Wm. Rogerson of this city, stationed himself near a house to prevent the fire reaching it.

After the fire had swept through, the other men came to where Rogerson had been stationed, and found that he had moved several hundred yards from his first position and that the flames had caught and burned him to death. The burial took place Saturday at Havelock. The deceased was 28 years old.

Madam Amae.

The celebrated medium and palmist, who has accomplished more good for humanity than all others combined, is now located in New Bern. She reads life from the cradle to the grave without a mistake. Tells you everything you wish to know. Madam Amae is acknowledged to be the greatest living Medium and the truest, best friend to the human race that has appeared in centuries. During the past thirty years she has been consulted by the leading minds of the world. Presidents, distinguished statesmen, men eminent in professional life, crowned heads of Europe—who have consulted her—all bear testimony to the great value of her advice and predictions.

Husbands and wives having family troubles, young ladies and gentlemen contemplating marriage, business men about to embark in new enterprises, parties threatened with lawsuits, and, in fact, every one having any trouble at home or uncertainty in business life, should call and consult her, as her advice and aid will be of the greatest benefit to them. She removes all evil influences and gives good luck in every walk in life.

Drunkenness and all other evil habits are most effectually and permanently cured by this gifted lady. There are thousands of happy homes today, that were once desolate and in ruins from the curse of drink and other evil influences, which owe all their happiness and prosperity to Madam Amae.

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Fire at Florence.

Sunday night about ten o'clock, the store of J. F. Brabble at Florence, Pamlico county, was discovered on fire and in a short while the entire building and contents were consumed.

There had been no fire in the building since the day before and it is considered quite certain that the place was set on fire. Mr. Brabble was in New Bern at the time. There was $1000 insurance on the place but the loss is much larger than the insurance.

BEGINNING OF LENT.

One of the Very Oldest of Christian Customs.

This is the begining of Lent.

It is a sacred season of venerable antiquity, and whether it was observed by the Apostles as a fixed period of fasting or was not established until the organization of the church, all authorities agree in saying that for a time at least before the anniversary of the Resurrection of Christ a fast was observed by the primitive Christians; and it is the general concensus of modern opinion that this fast of forty days was practically the ancient type of the modern lawa.

In St. Luke v., 35, Christ said: "But the days will come when the bride groom shall be taken away from them., and then shall they fast in those days." This was taken by the early Christians to mean that there should be a period of self-denial and fasting before the events leading up to His Passion and Crucifixion were commemorated.

Even if Lent was not a long season of fasting among the primitive Christians, it soon became so, and there are ecclesiastical records to show that prior to the Fourth century the Lenten season was generally fixed at forty days, and this period preceded the festival of the Resurrection or Easter. The custom has lasted then for at least 1,500 years, practically as it is today. The Roman ecclesiastical name for Lent is Jejunium Quadragesimale, "the fast of forty days." The English word Lent is from the Anglo-Saxon word Lencten, meaning Spring, with reference to the season in which it occurs.

The manner of observing Lent during the first seven centuries of the Christian era varied, yet it is also true that very strict laws for its observance were enacted, and Charlemagne, when he conquered Saxony, went to the length of ordering that a Saxon should be liable to death if he wantonly disregarded the prescribed observances of the holy season.

It has always been the general opinion that the early and finally the prevailing idea of fixing the Lenten period at forty days grew out of the forty day periods in the Bible.

Jonah, in his denunciation, gave Ninevah forty days of grace. Moses and Elijah were forty days in the wilderness. Christ fasted and underwent temptation for forty days. So it was natural that a great commemorative and penitential observance like Lent should by general and gradual consent and custom fix itself upon a period of forty days.

Successive edicts of the Church molded Lent into its present form over 1,000 years ago, and since then it has remained practically unaltered.

Many Protestants voluntarily observe Lent with prayer and penitence and feasting.

In the Roman Catholic Church, the Greek Church the Anglican Church and the Episcopal Church, in this country, which is one in doctrine with the Anglican, or English Church, the observance of Lent is obligatory.

The custom of celebrating Easter Sunday with elaborate services of song has been greatly amplified in the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches within the past few years, and nearly all the Potestant denominations, particularly in the cities, have begun to take notice of the day.

Ash Wednesday, falling on February 28th this year, makes Palm Sunday April 8. Good Friday, April 13 and Easter Sunday April 15th.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

For Harmony.

Chip, March 3rd.

ED. JOURNAL:—I read your editorial of 2nd inst with great interest. It is on the right line. There is a condition of the gravest importance facing us that has ever existed in North Carolina. (White or Black Supremacy.) It is evident that if we fail to carry the constitutional amendments, chaos and anarchy will prevail. Look the negro politicians of South Carolina and other southern States that have protected themselves against negro domination, are watching us with the deepest interest. Let us fail to carry the amendments and you will see the State flooded with negro politicians and their army of followers.

White republicans that have held the offices heretofore in our State will be relegated to the rear, (placed on the retired list)

The negro official will be very much in evidence.

With such conditions facing us can we afford to have strife within the camp. I say NO. Let every man in the Democratic ranks drop all personal aspirations for political preferment or control and as one man throw our shoulders to the wheel and we will win. Let the people in the proper way (without bias) choose their candidates and every patriot will be satisfied and support them.

For Harmony.

W. C. BREWER.

Democratic Primaries.

In conformity with the plan of organization adopted by the Democratic party, primaries for the election of delegates to the County Convention to be held Saturday, March 24th, 1900, are hereby called for all precincts outside city of New Bern on Saturday, March 17th, 1900, at 12 o'clock M. For all wards in the city of New Bern on Tuesday, March 20th, 1900, at 8 o'clock p. m. At the aforesaid primaries both county and city the precincts committees consisting of five are to be elected at same time delegates are selected for the County Convention.

The delegates to the State Convention are to be elected only.

F. T. PATTERSON,
Chm'n, Dem. Ex. Com.
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BELLAIR.

Housekeeping in March. Work is Behind Hand. Potato Planting. Time For All Things.

Bellair, March 5th.

Here we are rushed into the presence of long hungry March, perhaps the best of all the months for creating an appetite and the poorest for satisfying it. Vegetables are generally scarce, spring chickens are too small, and the country housekeeper often looks with anxious care for something to make up the necessary variety for the table, and if it were not for the busy hen and the faithful old cow, March would be a hard month to the country housekeeper.

We have had some peculiar weather lately, farmers have been looking anxiously for the work spell that usually comes between the freeze and the rain but these have come so near together this winter that for three rains past, the ground did not thaw before the rain began to fall, and one freeze, a hard one too, came in three or four hours after a hard rain, so the farmers claim generally to be behind with their work.

Potato planting is usually about finished by the first of March, but here is the fifth and with some potato planting is just well under way, owing it seems to rain and freeze being so near together.

There seems to be the usual crop in our midst to be planted this season. The turnips have been killed so badly that sowing over was necessary.

Today reminds us of real spring, cool enough, warm enough, and pretty enough for any kind of outdoor work. Farmers are pushing work as they have not this season before.

Yesterday was such an ideal day that we fear some few who ought to have been at the monthly meeting of the B. G. Missionary Society were looking over fields or planning for today's work.

Seed time and harvest are promised us by our kind Father but the Holy Sabbath is not for temporal seeding or planning.

Measles are prevailing in many places around us and if a child or young person who has not had measles gets poorly they think a case of measles is at hand.

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A FATAL DISEASE.

Physicians Unable To Diagnose It. Three Fersons Dead.

A seeming fatal disease which has a similarity to diptheria, but which the physicians in that part of the country have not yet been able to name, has made its appearance in the vicinity of Davis Shore and Smyrna. Some two weeks or more ago it will be remembered that Mr. William Willis, a well-known citizen of that section, died with this disease; and several other deaths have been caused by it since November.

Last Monday Mr. Banister Willis, a man about sixty years of age, and one who was highly respected by all who knew him, died of the same trouble after a very brief illness. Monday night Miss Effie Willis, of Smyrna, was suddenly taken with the unknown disease and before medical assistance could be obtained she, too, was dead. Dr. McIntyre, of Morehead City, was summoned and started early Tuesday morning, but was met by some one who informed him of her death, which occurred about 7 o'clock, a. m. Miss Willis was a daughter of Mr. David Willis, of Smyrna, and was an accomplished young lady of about 25 years of age. She was organist of Smyrna Baptist Church, and was much loved by all who knew her.—Beaufort Herald.

"I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my family with wonderful results. It gives immediate relief, is pleasant to take and truly the dyspeptic's best friend," says E. Hartgerink, Overisel, Mich., Digests what you eat. Cannot fail to cure. F. S. Duffy.

A Site For Cotton Mill Wanted.

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Directors of the Pembroke Manufacturing Company to look up a site for their mill, invite offers or bids from owners of land within a radius of one mile of New Bern.

Offers of tracts of ten acres, twenty acres, and thirty acres, in sealed bids, the same to be opened March 15th, 1900.

Reserving the privilege of rejecting any and all bids.

WILLIAM DUNN,
J. A. MEADOWS,
H. S. DUFFY,
Committee.

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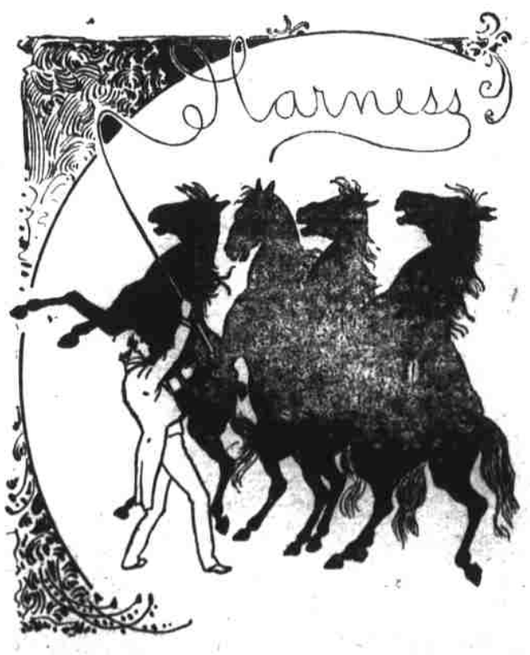

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