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Market Letter on Cotton.

By private wire, J. E. Latham & Co.

New York, February 11.—At one time today it looked as if the bottom would drop out of the cotton market, but the support soon appeared, and May rushed to 9.38 with July ranging from 9.14 to 9.18. The holiday, Lincoln's birthday anniversary, tomorrow made things rather dull, and no one wanted to sell short. The Liverpool market was disappointing in the extreme. Some 4 points off when it should have been up 5 points at least. On the basis of Liverpool prices, we should have been selling at 9.30 for May and not 9.35, but the bull clique continued here, and in New Orleans, and this was enough to hold our prices. Many who sold May around 9.3c were buying it back. The market may be shoved higher, but we are disposed to believe the bull crowd will overstep the mark. If receipts continue larger than last, for this month, and a little looks the movement is fairly liberal, we should have a reaction. May could be rushed to 9.45 very easily, but we would rather wait and see what is going on at this level before buying.

C. W. Lee & Co.

Parishing May Flies.  
On the banks of the Elbe a curious sight may frequently be seen. Men and women come there in the evening and light fires, near which they carefully spread aprons of cloth. In a few minutes swarms of May flies, those delicate little creatures whose earthly life lasts only for a few hours, hover around the fires, and speedily hundreds—nay, thousands—of them are burned and fall on the cloths.

After a sufficient supply of flies has been gathered in this way the flies are extinguished, and the cloths are carefully raised from the ground and taken home. On the following morning they are placed in a garden on a sunny spot, the result being that the bodies of the flies become thoroughly parched. The flies are then ready for the market and are sold for a few cents a quart to dealers in birds, who say that there is no better food for nightingales, robins and other feathered pets. Only the bodies are used for this purpose, and therefore before they are sent to market the utmost pains are taken to see that all the wings have been removed.

## FALLING HAIR

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## LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

\$30,000 Appropriation For State Exhibit at St. Louis. Watts and London Liquor Bills.

Special Journal.  
RALPH, Feb. 12.—A bill was introduced in the Senate to river pilotage laws of Wilmington and Cape Fear River; to appropriate \$30,000 for North Carolina exhibit at St. Louis Exposition.  
The House bill passed the Senate 21 to 8 allowing the Corporation Commission to order the building of union depots in towns entered by two or more railways.  
Bills were introduced in the House to incorporate the New River Development Company, to incorporate bank of Carteret at Morehead City; to create additional magistrates for Onslow county; to levy a special tax there and protect fish interests there.

There was a long debate on the Watts liquor regulation bill. Lucas spoke for Morton against. The argument will be continued tomorrow.  
The Senate committee decides to favorably report the London liquor regulation bill.

## SALTER PATH

Rejoiceth in a Plentitude of Hog and Hominy, But Manifests No Interest in Schools. Its Pedagogic Walls For Company.

February 7.—All well, this is a healthy place to live, and we all get along lively whether we work or not.  
Mr D J Willis has plenty of hog and hominy, hog of his own raising, he killed about 800 lbs. of nice pork, and has some twenty-five hogs for another year.  
Mr Cooper Adams is one of the prosperous ones too, he has lots of sweet potatoes on hand, and meat enough nearly to last him, he too, has some 25 hogs for another year.

Mr Cleoro Willis, is another prosperous citizen, with one or two others, but the most of us live on the interest of the money we have spent.

Fish and clams, with a few ducks and geese now and then.

Some have clams in beds sold, but not delivered, and the buyers can't handle them now.

D J Willis has about 900 bushels in his bed, sold and undelivered.

Our school is slowly going on, very slowly, attendance very slim, out of some 82 pupils of school age, only about eight go on an average, cause, children won't go, and parents won't make them go, no law for that. Wonder if our Legislature will notice this lack of civilization in our State? Hope they will.

Rev. Usrey, our preacher, was absent at his appointment on the 4th Sunday in last month, but showed up last Sunday the 1st inst. and preached three good sermons, but our hearers are not numerous, and the preacher don't have to borrow a sock to carry off his money in.

Our crack-shot deer hunters are jubilant over the prospect of another feast of venison soon.

Henry Willis and Micajah Adams have just finished and launched two brand splinter new sharples. Adams built his and Willis brought his from S. Dixon & Son, half finished when bought.

We wish to state, for the benefit of some of our citizens, that there are a few families here that seem to want their children educated, among them are D. J. Willis, Edwin Willis and Cleoro Willis, Mr. Cooper Adams is another one in favor of education, but he has no children of school age. While these mentioned, seem all right on that line so far as talking is concerned, they don't show it much by their actions in visiting the school, the teacher invites them to come to the school house but they don't often, some of the principal ones, not at all.

Visiting the school by parents is a good thing for the children, even if the parents are not educated. Parents and guardians, visit your schools, and visit them often, it will pay you.

We hope a law will be passed soon to make parents send their children to school, and as the wrangle for United States Senator is over, hope they will settle down to good business in the legis later.

Instinct Stronger Than Will.  
A curious story is told of Darwin and snakes. He used to go into the London Zoological society's gardens, Regent's park, and standing by the glass case containing the cobra de capello, put his forehead against the glass while the cobra struck out at him. The glass was between them, Darwin's mind was perfectly convinced as to the inability of the snake to harm him, yet he would always dodge. Some time after this he tried it, his will and reason keeping him there, his instinct making him dodge. The instinct was stronger than both will and reason.

Splendid Testimony.  
"Why do you remain apart from others?" asked a young lion of his sire. "Would not a herd of lions present an imposing array?"  
"By no means," answered the elder. "It would greatly diminish the respect now felt for us. Sheep may herd together, but the lion must flock by himself."—New York Herald.

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## INCREASED AMOUNT

Asked For Public Schools Over Last Year.

Changes in State Guard Law. Fight to Increase Railways Tax. Compromise On Child Labor Bill. State Charters.

Raleigh, February 12.—The committee of officers of the State Guard today practically completed its work of drafting a bill to make the State Guard law conform to the new condition. The changes are very practical, particularly the one which extends the term of officers. These terms of service have frequently been so short as to be absurd. In one case an excellent Captain was ousted simply because he was strict; not a martinet but a careful follower of the regulation and the proper duties of his office.  
Today a pair of 6 inch mortars and beds arrived here and were placed at the Vance Statue in the Capitol square.  
Senator Justice who is making such a fight for an increase of taxation of railways, and particularly their franchisees says the value of personal property and real property in this State, as assessed for taxation is not far from 50 per cent of the true value, and that railway property is assessed at about 25 per cent of its true value.  
A rather queer condition of affairs is shown by the status of a bill to allow the corporation commission to regulate the speed of trains through towns. A number of little places along lines of the great roads have laws limiting the speed of trains within their limit to 4 miles an hour, and some of these little places have very large boundaries. The result is that the speed of the fast through trains has to be cut down, to the injury of the service. Of course these trains do not stop at these small places, nor is there need of it, but these local laws militate greatly against the quickness of the service and are really a serious thing to the railways in making schedule time.

Col. and Mrs Bencehan Cameron have occupied their home here. The residence has been remodeled and made one of the handsomest in North Carolina. It is understood that Mr Peter Mayo, Mrs Cameron's father will spend considerable time here.  
The Attorney General has been requested by Legislative Committees to give an opinion as to what the license tax shall be to all on all amendments to charters. A number of bills amending charters are now being held up, awaiting the opinion of the attorney general.  
The amount asked for from the State for aid in keeping the public schools open four months in the year is no less than \$140,000. This is even more than was asked for last year.  
Tomorrow the Legislative Committee will meet at the penitentiary and examine the guards who had charge of the convicts who marched from Spruce Pine Mitchell county to Marion.  
The promoters of the Audubon bill to protect the birds are greatly pleased at the large vote for that measure in the House.

The joint committee on agriculture favorably reports the bill to appropriate \$30,000 for an agricultural building at the Agricultural and Mechanical College here.

The movement for an extension of Raleigh's boundaries is raising quite a stir, and tonight there is a great fight over it before the Board of Aldermen.  
Sheriff Page of this county is stopped by Judge Simonton's restraining order from collecting tax on the salary of Judge Purnell. The other Federal officers in this the eastern district, under Judge Purnell's application for injunction, can come in and make themselves parties in the matter.

Two days ago the sub-committee of the Finance Committee of the Legislature decided on a tax rate of \$3.50 a mile on the Southern Express Company. The full committee cuts this down to \$2.00 per mile. At the latter rate the tax will yield \$8,500 annually. The full committee doubles the tax on telegraph companies, in making it 25 cents per wire-mile. This county, which now has a road district extending only seven or eight miles from Raleigh, proposes to put the whole county under the good roads law, and so will ask the Legislature to allow it to issue \$300,000 of road improvement bonds.

Capt. James Maglen, for many years master mechanic at the S. A. L.'s shops here has returned to Raleigh and is again in those shops.

The State charters the Thomsville Veneer and Panel Company, with \$15,000 capital stock; also the Asheville Abstract and Title Company, capital stock \$5,000.

The fight on the bill to regulate child labor in factories was very hot at first but now there is a sort of compromise. Twelve years is made the limit, and the educational feature is eliminated.

Wandering Willie.  
An Arablan Story.  
An Arab and his wife were constantly quarrelling, and the wife always went straightway to her father and made complaint. One day the Arab boxed the ears of his better half, whereupon she went again to her father and related her grievance, demanding revenge. The father, a wise old sheik, shook his head, and after long reflection, boxed his daughter's ears and said: "Now thou art avenged. Thy husband has boxed the ears of my daughter, and I have boxed the ears of his wife!"—Lustige Bittler.

Great Reduction in Shirts.  
We will sell all \$1.00 stiff bosom colored shirts at 50c. which we are showing in our windows. We have a good line of them on hand, but they won't last long at this price.  
Respectfully,  
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For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of  
*Wm. D. Galt*

## POLLOCKSVILLE.

February 10.—Bad weather is on us again. Oh, for a few weeks of sunshine.

To say 'tis dull in every department of business would be no news, for that's all one hears now from every quarter.

Mr F P Koonce of Trenton passed through here this morning on his way to Wilmington looking after a car load of lost cotton seed.  
J B Bender has been confined to his room for two days trying to escape a case of pneumonia which it looks like he will surely have.

Mr Guy Taylor, a sergeant in the U. S. army is home visiting his father, Mr Frank M Taylor.

There were before Justice Samuel Hudson of this place yesterday, a case of throat cutting, one Charlie Simmons, colored, attacked and cut the throat of one Laura Willis, colored; the cut proved not to be very fatal, but for a broken knife blade, the woman would now be a dead one. Simmons was bound over to court in default of \$2000 bond.

Dr Koonce reports that the small pox in this county will soon be a thing of the past, as all the patients are nearly ready to be discharged and no new cases in sight nor no suspects heard of.

## House Incomplete Without It

O. P. Shell, of Dunn, N. C., writes: "Worthington's Remedy for all bowel trouble can't be excelled. I sold it in my drug store fifteen years ago, and have used it repeatedly in my family with most satisfactory results. The household is incomplete without it." Manufactured by Dr. Worthington Southern Manufacturing Company, Wilson, N. C. Sold by all dealers.

## VANCEBORO NEWS

Tells of Many Visitors, of Music School, of Good Transportation Facilities, New Mall Routes, and of the Death of Rev. Hart. Confederate Vet.  
cran.

Feb. 11.—Miss Liddle Smaw of New Bern has accepted a position as bookkeeper with Mr W E Brown. Miss Lula Brewer has been his book-keeper but will go home in a few days.  
Miss Lilly Smith is making an extended visit with friends and relatives in Pitt county.

Miss Dallas Dinkins who is teaching at Olympia spent Saturday and Sunday in Vanceboro. She was accompanied by Miss Myrtle Holton one of her pupils of Olympia.

Mr B F Willis and family of Dobbs, have moved to Vanceboro. Mr Willis has purchased the property of Mr O D Lewis of Bellair.

There are two R F D routes from Vanceboro now—No 1 with Mr W E White carrier goes up in the Clay Root section and No 2 H C Lancaster carrier, goes out in the Neuse river section via serving the patrons of Dobbs and Geddy F O and Maple Cypress. The people seem to like the R F D.

Prof Shaw of Washington has a large class in our berg. Guess we will have quite a musical town in the near future as the Prof seems to be great on string instruments.

Our J. P.'s went to town yesterday to attend a road meeting. We hope they did something to improve the roads in No. 1 township.

Mr. Ed. Dixon and family, of Dover, are spending several days with relatives in our town.

Mr. B. Smith, representing J. C. Whitely & Co., is in town today.  
We have splendid transportation here now. The steamer Carolinas, Capt. J. L. Dixon, and engineer Clifton Dupree of New Bern, and the Pearlie May, Capt. D. S. Lancaster, with McGruder Dowdy, of New Bern engineer. Each boat makes two trips per week.

Mr. Emmett Smith of Dover, spent last week in our town.

Mr. Lynn Lancaster of Dobbs, is teaching in Juniper Chapel school house near here and boarding with his brother H C. Lancaster.

We regret to chronicle the death of Rev. A. C. Hart, which occurred at Maple Cypress the 1st inst. He was an old Confederate soldier, having lost an arm in the war and was also a minister of the Christian Church. He was sixty-seven years of age and leaves a large family to mourn their loss. A good man has gone to reap the reward of a Christian life. The remains were interred at Ballers Church near here.

Audubon Bill Passes House.  
Special Journal.  
RALPH, Feb. 11.—The House by a nearly unanimous vote passed the Audubon bill, which protects song and shore birds.  
Efforts made to exempt Dare County failed.

Mothers, Quakers, Heesters and Leggett's Oat Flakes 10c pkg., at J. R. Parker Jr.

Free-Action Pills Right Away and makes a sure cure of constipation and colic.

## FINE SHOWING

Made By State Insurance Department.

State Guard Officers Convention. Railways Contend For Equal Taxation. Private Institutions For Idiots and Inebriates.

RALPH, Feb. 11.—No department of all in the State government makes a finer showing than the Insurance Department of which J. R. Young is the head. He prepared a statement from which your correspondent gleaned some figures. During 1902 the insurance commissioner collected from insurance companies in taxes, \$101,178 in fees, \$11,400 and for licenses \$39,734 making a total of \$152,312. The entire expenses for the department including printing were only \$4,139.

The cost of insurance in the State has been very greatly reduced since the formation of the department in April 1899. In 1898 the fire insurance risks written in North Carolina aggregated \$61,044,514, the premiums on the same being \$1,008,744. In 1901 the risks written amounted to \$118,544,025, the premiums thereon being \$1,524,189. The difference in the average rates is so great that if the amount written in 1901 had been written at the rate in 1898, the year before the insurance department was formed, it would have cost the people of North Carolina \$39,734, more than was paid last year.

The State undertakers and embalmers examining board met here today and examined several applicants. J. M. Harry of Charlotte presiding.

This morning the Senate and House committees on insane asylums visited the hospital for the insane here. It inspected the building and met and had a conference with Superintendent McKee and also Superintendents Murphy, of the Western Hospital and Miller of the Eastern Hospital.

The railways are making a very earnest fight against the section of the machinery act of 1901 which gives the State tax commission no discretion whatever in arriving at the value of railway franchises. The complaint is made, and is well based that railway property is taxed much higher than other classes of property, certainly far lands. Cyrus B. Watson, who is here as the regular attorney of the Norfolk and Western railway says the people of North Carolina want to do the fair thing. By this he means that they want all property taxed equally. Mr. Watson says an examination of land sales for the past ten years compared with the price at which such land is assessed for taxation will show how gross the undervaluation has been. He declares further that this undervaluing is deliberately done by the counties so as to keep down the State taxes, and he makes an earnest plea for a stoppage of all authority to counties to levy special taxes for their own purposes.

He says as soon as this practice is stopped by the State the counties will incidentally assess property at the true valuation, and thus the State will be vastly the gainer.

Judge Purnell has not filed his opinion in the Durham right of way case. He is ready to do so, but counsel desired first to present printed briefs in addition to the arguments which were made Monday and yesterday.

A favorable report is made on the bill to make private hospital and sanitariums for insane idiots and inebriates a part of the State system. The reception of inebriates in the State Hospital has not proved a success, and it is said that these private institutions will prove a great relief.

The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce decides against an extension of Raleigh's limits.

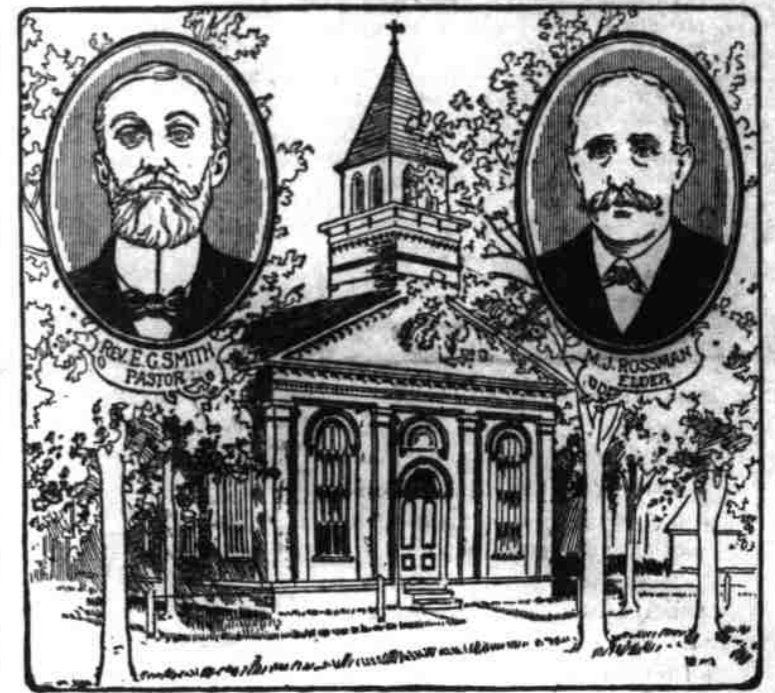
The Legislature will pass a bill allowing the people of Elm City, Wilson county, to vote on the question of whether there shall or shall not be a dispensary there.

Some months ago the Board of examiners of State institutions in their report to the Governor said the convicts at a camp near Dover on the Atlantic and North Carolina railway were not properly fed and quartered. The Legislature sent a Committee there to look into this matter, and this sub-committee is now preparing its report. At the time the charge was made by the board, the penitentiary authorities made specific denial of it.

The State Guard convention was held here today. Col. T H Bain presided. The convention of one hundred officers unanimously endorsed and accepted the provisions of the Dick bill. A committee composed of Gen. Royster, Col. Bain and Armfield, and Lieutenant Bradham is now in session making ready changes in the State Guard law to conform to the Dick bill.

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## PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR PRAISES PE-RU-NA.



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A dignified representative of the Presbyterian church in the person of Rev. E. G. Smith does not hesitate to state publicly that he has used Peruna in his family and found it cured when other remedies failed.

Rev. E. G. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Greensboro, Ga., writes:  
"Having used Peruna in my family for some time it gives me pleasure to testify to its true worth. My little boy seven years of age had been suffering for some time with catarrh of the lower bowels. Other remedies had failed, but after taking two bottles of Peruna the trouble almost entirely disappeared. For this special malady I consider it well nigh a specific." As a tonic for weak and worn out people it has few or no equals.  
REV. E. G. SMITH.

Mr. M. J. Roseman, a prominent merchant of Greensboro, Ga., and an elder in the Presbyterian church of that place, writes:  
"For a long time I was troubled with catarrh of the kidneys and tried many remedies, all of which gave me no relief. Peruna was recommended to me by several friends, and after using a few bottles I am pleased to say that the long looked for relief was found and I am now enjoying better health than I have for years. It is certainly a grand medicine."—M. J. Roseman.

Hon. S. D. McEnery, United States Senator from Louisiana, says the following in regard to Peruna:  
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