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#### NEW BERN'S LAST YEAR FIRE RE-CORD.

New Bern's fire record for 1905 rather a startling one. It shows thirty three fires of all kinds, with a total of losses of over one-half million dol-

This to the average citizen will seem to be a record for which some account ing ought to be made. First, were the fires due to just ordinary causes, and why so many within twelve months, and second, how did it happen, there being nothing out of the usual accidental causes of fire, that there should be over \$500,000 of property destroyed.

In answering the first, while there have been suspicious circumstances alleged in connection with several of the big fires, there has been no proof to justify the suspicions, and sustain them That the property losses have been so arge, has been more an unexplainable condition, for the big losses have been in several localities. Neither can it be aid to any special inefficiency in the local fire department, for men and apparatus were up to their customary good standard.

The real situation, locally, as regards the fire department and fire protection, is that this city has out-grown the past and present methods employed Not only has the city grown in size, in number of extra fire risks to be encountered, but there has been a gradual decline in the enthusiasm which has inspired fire fighting among the volunteers, to whom property owners must

In plain language, a paid fire department is demanded for New Bern. It is wanted in order that those who have property, and have it insured, shall not be taxed at almost prohibitive rates, in in order to be insured. This change from volunteer to a paid fire departmen is demanded because every month finds less enthusiasm to get out to fires, and delay in getting to fires means immense fire losses.

There is nothing to compel volunteers to risk personal safety, clothes and comfort in trying to save properly from fire. Every fireman has suffered at some time of his service, and with out the stimulus which has hitherto existed, in the rivalry between fire companies, there is now the thought of per son and the hesitation to start quickly and risk personal effects of clothing and limbs, to be at a fire and fight the

It does not follow that 1906 is to show any such fire losses as 1905, but the fact remains that to assure against big fires, there must be a paid fire de partment for this city. It must come, and the sooner the more money saved, and the more assured projection property will have against severe fire losses. ent for this city. It must come,

#### GROWTH OF DRY RUT IN CHARAC-TER.

The life insurance investigations with their terrible revelations of the true insight into the doings and characters of New York's "best citizens" shows to what an extent men will permit dry ret to gradually creep in and consume mtil there is only left the semblane I an outward manhood, and the firs o the world.

of selfelmens, and pretend to virture or decency, but when holding prominent positions to ortward lifes which appear to

null beginnings, on a gradually in asing scale, that men first accept ritical living, daily deceits, and a white washed exterior appearance. It is the gradual going away from self, the refusal to look oneself squarely in he face, to call deceit by its own name to recognize the hypocrisy of a lie, and o turn from dishonest practices at their first presentation, since once acepted, they become easy to follow.

Business integrity, political honor, a noral citizenship should be held before young men, rather than the gain of fame or wealth, if there shall attach an atom of suspicion with such gains. What the world wants is honesty, What men should applaud and hold in everence is the man who maintains an onor unsullied, who lives a life of usefulness and unselfishness, whether such man may gain wealth and power

just remain a plain everyday citizen Life is a success when it is honest, when it refuses to accept short cuts to power through hypocritical dealings, nefarious practices, and unscrupulous methods. When men refuse to yield orinciples to gain in the field of action. then will there be no cases of the dry rot of character, which the world sees too often exposed in this day and gener-

#### THE WOMAN'S CLUB AND TREE PLANTING.

The inauguration of a number the Woman's club of this city, near the close of 1905, is a matter of general interest in this beginning of a new augurated. To make reply to this the Journal would say, that the public may expect to see the proposed plans go into active effect this year, with additional plans inaugurated, which have this municipality.

In connection with the new plans already inaugurated, the Journal takes the liberty of offering a suggestion, not with a thought of criticism, but as a possible means of help, in this move by the Woman's Club towards local tree

In this matter of tree planting, which has made some progress, there is demanded some means, method or law, which shall afford adequate protection Guard Association, to be held in Washto every tree planted. Notably in the injury, if not destruction, which seems to overtake trees planted along the infantry; Capt. High A. Love, Waynes public streets, is the danger from ville, 1st infantry; Gen. F. A. Macon, fore some residence, and left to themseives, while the drivers either go into the houses on business, or stop to talk. Left unhitched, it is only the exceptional animal, that will not at once because of the presentation here of was sent over to a lansing on Queen. They are for sale by Davis Pharmacy walk to the nearest tree, to test its "The Clansman", a week ago tonight, Creek to meet Mr. D. G. Ward, and in and F. S. Duffy. qualities, and the result is easily guessed, specially if it is a young tree simply a ruined tree.

these offer an insecure and uncertain pearing box.

No blame can be given to the horse or mule that may attempt to nibble a newly planted young tree, and it is hard to place all blame upon drivers. held here in June or July. The presi-What is needed to assist in this work of new tree planting along the public highways, is for householders to have highways, is for householders to have hitching posts before their residences. and then make it compulsory that no horse or mule shall remain on the street If n a kind of billious mood, unsecured to a hitching post, and a You wish an aid to digest food, penalty be inflicted upon every viola- No other pill is half so good

If the Woman's Glub shall insist upon the hitching post, with a law demanding its use, and this be made a part of its tree planting movement, the Journal is confident, that it will add to the success of the movement, and with this idea the suggestion is offered, with the purpose of making tree planting along the public streets a thorough success in every way, and a municipal improvement of permanency and lasting local benefit.

## Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they canno reach the diseased portion of the ear There is only one way to core deafness and that is by constitutional remedies Deafness is caused by an inflamed con Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucuous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed. Deafness is the result and onless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its

## TAKE STIMULANTS

Estimated Ninety Percent Men Do In Some Form.

Charter Granted Real State Exchange. Cot

Treasurer Lacy's Condition

Raleigh, Jan. 5 .- A charter was tolay issued to the Real Estate Exchange and Trust Co., at Durham: with J. Carr, J. H. Southgate, E. J. Parish and others as incorporators. Twenty housand dollars is paid in with a tota capitalization of \$100,000. The com pany will conduct real estate, improve nent and insurance business in to its named privileges.

A revenue officer makes the very r markable statement that ninety per cent of the mon in this State take stime lants in some form or other, whiskey, peruna, etc. He says the moons! have far more friends and supporters than is generally believed among cultivated people and newspaper readers and that the sheriffs in very few cases will attempt to carry out the Ward law. He says that even the division deputies are not able to enforce the revenue law, and this is why raiders are sent out from the centres to capture the moonshine outfits. The revenue people are naturally much interested seeing what will be done in enforcplans for municipal improvement, by ing the Ward law, which they say will res : It in a great i screase in the number of illicit distilleries. It is said that distilleries are being captured in this revenue district at the rate of one every year, and the question is asked if there other day say three per week. There are is to be a carrying out of the plans in- said to be some quite close to Raleigh, and captures have been made near this

The King-Crowell Drug Co,, of Raleigh, was today chartered to conduct a wholesale and retail business in this city. Incorporators are C. B. Crowell, for their purpose the betterment of formerly identified with the drug business in Charlotte, and later proprietor of the Crowell Drug Store here, and Ed C Birdsong and W. A. King, for many years prominent in drug circles in Raleigh. The company is capitalized at

The news from State Treasurer Lacy today is that his condition is so much improved that it is hoped he will be able to sit up Saturday.

nual meeting of the Interstate National ington, D. C., Jan. 20th .: Lt. W. F. Robertson, Wilmington, 2nd infantry; Capt. F. P. Hobgood, Greensboro, 3rd ses and mules that are stopped be- quartermaster general, national guard, ing three days, but failed to bag any Henderson: and Gen. T. R. Robertson,

and its manager, Sherwood Upchurch, gasolene boat "Mattie." by the Runkel Stock Company, Thomas Dixon bringing the suit. The Runkel caught fire all in a flash. The young company is also embraced in the suit, man, Pearl Bright, who was in charge which is a sweeping one. As your cor- of of it says it caught from a spark To guard against the untied horses respondent has stated, the play was They threw water it but did no good, and mules, some citizens place boxes presented here as The Clansman, and they left the boat in a skiff, with no around their newly planted trees, yet was written by the stage manager of damage except Bright was burnt a litthe company, Mr. Bratton, but the le. The boat is a total loss. name was to have been changed to "In protection, the tree soon being the sup- Re-construction Days." Papers were port of a dilapidated and unsteady ap- served today on the persons here, and yesterday on the Company at Durham. This company is to be at Durham all

mer at the Agricultural and Mechanica

As DeWitt's Little Early Riser When e'er you feel impending ill, And need a magic little pill, No other one will fill the bill Like DeWitt's Little Early Rise

In an address before the New York Chamber of Commerce Jacob H. Sch nles the currency be made m

The renewal of trouble in the Cauca sus has led to the dispatch of additions Russian troops to that vicinity.

"Before we can sympathize with others we must have suffered our ience. There is probably no that causes so much physical land m tal agony, or which so successfully fies medical aid. All danger from

#### NOWAFOR ASSASSINATION

Such is Said Next Plan of Russian Revolu-

London, Jan. 5. - A correspondent of the Herald at St. Petersburg wires that while the revolutionists have been rushed in an attempt at open revol they now declare their intentions to carry on the struggle by wholesal

Their enemies are to be marked out for death and they even include the Hatteras. All the gunners with Czar in the list of those to be put out

It is reported Count Witte will resign as Premier In April.

#### Swansboro.

What has become of your corresondent here? We have been looking for something from Swansboro for time Surely, it is not for lack of news, for we have plenty of it.

All had a big time Christmas, plenty Ghaistmas trees, tackey weddings, plays etc. There were three; one at [Unitariam church, Monday 2 p m; one at the Methodist church, Monday night; and one at the Baptist church Tuesday night. All the churches were crowded with visitors. The speeches and dialogues by the children, and the plays by the particulars.

The tackey wedding on last Friday night was an enjoyable affair to all who ike a little fun occasionally. The contracting parties were Miss Sallie Hatsell and Mr. Emra Rogers, Squire J. A. Pittman joined the couple together with a very appropriate ceremony, suitable for the occasion, after which the bridal party and guests were all sumpuously served to an oyster supper prepared for the occasion.

Union meetings at the Baptist church losed Sunday night. The meeting had very large attendance.

Messrs. W. P. Ward and Maurice Intsell returned last Monday from a visit to Kinston. They report having a most delightful time. E. F. and brother H. W. Barbour

spent the Christmas holidays at North Harlowe. Several of our young people left here

last Monday. Capt. K. Bloodgood and C. Bell left for Richmond.

Miss Julia Bloodgood for New Bern Miss Annie Doyster for Washington, D. C., and Miss Dollie Mattocks to Winter Governor Glenn today appointed the ville. Also Mr. Mack Russell for Wilollowing named delegates to the an- mington, and Oscar Howland for Nor-

Mesars Thos Pritchard, Jr., D. J. Sanders, Jr., and Ed Barbour went hunting last Tuesday. They got 27 partridges, 3 robbins, 1 marsh hen, and a big raccoon. Tom got the coon.

George Pritchard has been out hunt-

Mr. J. M. Jones met with a misfortune a few minutes after starting back, it

## Bests the misic Cure.

"To keep the body in tune," writer Mrs. Mary Brown, 20 Lafayette Place The next meeting of the North Caro-lina Cotton Growers Association will be

## January 2nd.

Christmas passed off very quietly here Two weeks were given the school for

Now that another year has con nenced our people are very busy. Moving seems to be the order of th

Mr. Manly Higgins, family, as rother, Mr. Willie, moved Tues

Mr. Rollie Collins and family mo-into our neighborhood Tuesday. Mrs. G. W. Smith and children

urned Tuesday from Silverdale, wh they have been visiting relatives. Mrs. Smith's sister accompanied her home. Mrs. Mollie Morton and little daugh ters spent a few days with relatives at

Miss Beals Provest of near Trent sited her sister. Mrs. Gillette h

Mr.C. W. C. Gerock of Deppe is speng this week with her mother.

## Hall the World Wonders

#### DUCKS, GEESE, BRANT, PLENTIFUL

Secretary Poarson Visits Enstern Carolina Waters. Splendid Effect of Audubne Society Indianace.

Raleigh, Jan. 5.—A letter from Sec.

ary Gilbert Pearson of the State Audu

on Society to your correspondent says eese, and brant in enormous about Harbor Island, Ocracoke and Cap he talked agreed in the stateme there was apparently no diminution in the number of wild goese during the past two or three years and he thinks this is largely due to the protective work of the Audubon Society in the far north The National Association of Audubon Societies has interested Presiden Roosevelt in setting aside six or seve arge reservations as perpetual ing places of wild birds, with the unde standing that the Audubon Society will pay for wardens to guard them. One of the largest of these reservations is in Great Stump Lake, North Dakota, in which there are a number of island where countless numbers of redhead canvass backs, and other ducks and wild fowls breed; another reservation being some island in Lake Huron Formerly these birds were robbed terri bly every summer of their eggs and their feathers which lined the pests. the young landies were all good. We Secretary Pearson says he spent four regret that we haven't time to give all nights in and about Core Sound and five ights on Pamlico Sound and was mable to find a single fire lighter, though in this territory 4 years ago he frequent ly saw light at night.[He says there is no doubt that some fire lighting goes on, but that many persons who did no know that he was at all interested said believed that conditions were lette than before the Audubon law went into effect; in fact this was the opinion of all with whom he talked. One of the most gratifying signs of increase o sentiment for protection in North Car olina is the increasing number of let ters received by Secretary Pearson and by the various game wardens from peo ple who are willing to give evide against persons who are violating the aws: Warden Weatherly of Guilford county recently made two more seizure of partridges which were being illegal y shipped out of the State. Game Warden York of Mt. Airy, had a most exciting chase over the mountains after a wagon which was reported to be full of patridges, gathered from many points to be taken to Virginia The last few miles of the case develop ed into a regular race, the teamster beating the Warden over the Virginia line a little distance. It has been s habit of some of the violators of the law to get the game over the Virginia line and then send it to Richmond, Washington. How to Prevent Billous Attacks

fore the attack he is not hungry at meal times and feels dull after cating. A dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and A regular suit has been instituted against the Raleigh Academy of Music last Tuesday in the loss by fire of his Liver Tablets when these first sympassions against the Raleigh Academy of Music gasolene boat "Mattie." The boat toms appear will ward off the attack.

January 4th. Mr. Tom Davis of New Bern, was a

business visitor here Thursday. Miss Maggie Tucker of New Berr tarted teaching her second term at the Core Creek school Monday morn-

Miss Mabel Taylor of LaGrange is visiting us for a few weeks. Mr. Sam Lane is very sick this week

We pray for his recovery.

It is the intentions of John DeBruhl to take a trip to Niagara Falls for his health during the coming spring. W. E. Jones of Cove has lost two

valuable fice dogs, he will pay a liberal reward for their return dead or alive. Mr. Carroll of Newport is going to pay us a visit soon on his way to Per-

Miss Lucille Hewitt of Newport, and uncle stopped at Cive Sunday on their way to Trenton.

Mr. K. M. Harris has just apnounce his engagement. Accept our co

A Jamalcan Lady Speaks Highly of Cham bertain's Cough Remody.

Mrs. Michael Hart, wife of the a perintendent of Cart Service at Kings. on, Jamaica, West Indies Islands, say that she has for some years used Cham perlain's Cough Remedy for coughs troup and whooping cough and has cound it very beneficial. She has im-plicit confidence in it and would not be without a bottle of it in her home old by Davis Pharmacy and F. 1

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