THE DEMOCRAT.

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ENTERED AT THE POST OFFICE AT SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., AS SECOND CLASS MATTER.

DR. W. R. WOOD FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF THE INSANE ASYLUM.

The County Board of Health for Halifax county, in regular session last Monday, as seen elsewhere in this issue, unanimously nominated and endorsed Dr. W. R. Wood, of Scotland Neck, for the next Superintendent of the Insane Asylum at Raleigh.

This is a high compliment to Dr. Wood in the face of the fact that North Carolina's medical fraternity is made up of able men, and that a number of there men are aspirants to the position in question. It is a compliment in a higher sense when we remember the intelligence and ability of the Board of Health for Halifax county from whom comes this strong and merited endorsement.

THE DEMOCRAT seconds the nomination of Dr. Wood, and from his standing and bearing in the medical profession of the State, we earnestly hope and confidently expect that the Board of Directors will honor North Carolina and themselves by electing Dr. Wood to the superintendency of the N. C. Insane Asylum.

He has not sought the position: but in the spirit of deserving modesty he has waited for the position to seek him through the friends of the State; and only at the solicitation of these has he reluctantly consented to allow his name to go before the Board of Directors at all.

As to his qualifications for the office, any words of commendation by us would be superfluous, as he is known and acknowledged abroad as a household word in every part of the state where he is well known.

Let the Board be wise in their choice and put the watch care of the suffering insane in the hands of this ripe scholar, accomplished gentleman and thorough and fully tested democrat.

OUR SCHOOLS.

To those who have the true interest of the community at heart, nothing can be more gratifying as to the material prosperity and progress of Scotland Neck than our fine schools and the noble teachers that labor in them.

Last Monday the fall session of the female school opened with 64 pupils, a gain of 10 over the opening of any previous year.

The principals and teachers, Misses Smith, McDowell and Perry have rested well, are full of new life, and doubtless with the new encouragement in numbers feel like doing better work than ever; but that will be quite hard to do, for they are among the most efficient and faithful in the land.

Under their management for the past six years the school has steadily grown in numbers and in thoroughness, until its superior for girls and young ladies is not to be found.

The male school now numbers 70 students, a large increase over any previous session at this season. The Principal, Prof. Allen, and his assistant, Mr. Shields, are doing their duty and are educating the boys properly. The schools are among the first inducements to new comers.

Greenville "Reflections."

Four of our beautiful young ladies, Misses Bessie Jarvis, Jennie James, Estelle Williams and Annie Brown, had beautifully decorated with flowers a handsome bronzed pair of deer antlers, and when the train stopped the conductor, Capt. R. A. Southerland and engineer, Mr. G. J. Smith, were called out and this was presented to them by Col. L. A. Bagg. The engineer took the horns and mounted them upon the front of his engine,

Capt. R. A. Southerland, conductor the train, is one of the cleverest of young men. While we had never met him personally before his coming here, we had heard much of him. He makes friends of all he meets.

Capt. W. H. Smith, the contractor, and Mr. R. S. Neal, civil engineer in the construction of the road were as proud as two small boys in new boots when the first train came in. They have done some hard work on the road, felt a deep interest in it, and were glad to see the people so rejoiced.

Mr. George J. Smith, the engineer, said to us, "I am just delighted with Greenville, and never in my life appreciated anything more than I did the presentation of that handsome deer horn. I shall always remember the kindness of your people." He is a skilled hand at the throttle, and our people can feel safe in his hands when they travel over this road.

In conversation with Mr. Weill, from the Auditor's office, and who is also a general solicitor for the company, he told us that the road bed between Scotland Neck and Greenville was the best of any new road he ever saw. He said Capt. Smith had done his work of grading well and skillfully. Mr. Weill also expressed himself as highly pleased with what he saw of Greenville in his short visit.—*Reflector.*

HALIFAX.

THINGS OF INTEREST.

WHAT TRANSPIRED MONDAY.

THE BOARD OF MAGISTRATES.

The Board of Magistrates met in Halifax Monday for the purpose of electing officers of the Inferior Court. Col. F. M. Parker called the meeting to order.

Roll of townships was called. Out of 63 magistrates in the county 51 were present. Chairman Parker stated the object of the meeting to be the election of the Inferior Court.

Maj. J. S. Neal nominated T. N. Hill, Esq., for Judge. Dr. M. T. Savage nominated Messrs. S. S. Norman and E. P. Hyman as Associate Justices. Mr. M. H. Clark nominated Mr. J. J. Robertson for one of the Associate Justices. Mr. Hyman withdrew in favor of Mr. Robertson. Messrs E. W. Hyman and J. J. Rosser were appointed as tellers.

The vote was taken: For Judge—T. N. Hill 45, R. O. Burton 1; for Associate Justices—S. S. Norman 34, J. J. Robertson 29, E. P. Hyman 19, J. J. Rosser 1, W. H. Shields 1, F. L. Emry 1.

The chair declared Messrs. Hill, Norman and Robertson elected.

W. A. Daniel nominated for Solicitor, Capt. J. M. Grizzard, and E. E. Hilliard nominated Mr. F. W. Whitaker.

The vote was taken: Grizzard 34, Whitaker 16. Capt. Grizzard was declared elected.

Maj. J. B. Neal nominated Mr. S. M. Gary for Clerk of the Inferior Court and Col. Spruill nominated Mr. S. G. Daniel.

The vote was taken: Gary 24, Daniel 26, J. L. Ousby 1.

There being no election a second ballot was taken—Gary 26, Daniel 22, Ousby 1. The chair declared Mr. Gary elected.

The meeting then adjourned.

COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.

The county Board of Health met in regular session, when Dr. W. R. Wood called the meeting to order. Dr. W. O. McDowell was made Secretary pro tem. Dr. McDowell nominated as President of the Board of Health Dr. J. A. Collins, of Enfield. He was unanimously elected and Drs. McDowell and Savage were appointed to conduct Dr. Collins to the chair.

Dr. Collins thanked the physicians for the compliment paid him and declared the meeting ready for business.

Dr. Wood nominated Dr. Zollicoffer of Weldon as permanent Secretary of the Board. The election was unanimous and Dr. Zollicoffer took the Secretary's chair.

Chairman stated the object of the meeting to be the election of a Superintendent of the county Board of Health. The chairman stated that the Board of Health is composed of the practicing physicians of the county, the County Surveyor, and the Mayor of the town of Halifax. Physicians present: Drs. C. J. Gee, A. B. Pierce, W. M. Perkins, R. A. Patterson, M. T. Savage, B. F. Whitaker, J. R. Pope, J. A. Collins, W. O. McDowell, A. L. Wynn, W. W. Clemmons, H. B. Furgerson, J. L. Ivey, Jas. C. Hill, W. R. Wood, D. L. Harrison and Dr. Zollicoffer.

Dr. McDowell nominated for Superintendent of Board of Health, Dr. H. B. Furgerson, of Halifax.

Dr. M. T. Savage nominated Dr. A. B. Pierce, of Weldon. Drs. Wynn and Harrison were appointed tellers. The ballot was taken: Dr. Pierce 10, Dr. Furgerson 8. Dr. Pierce was declared elected Superintendent for the next two years beginning 1st of January next.

The chairman recommended permanent organization in order to bring the Board into affiliation with the State Board.

Drs. Wood and Pierce endorsed it, the latter saying that if he shall live to come into office to which just elected, he should do all in his power, to enhance the interest of the profession.

"I shall do my duty regardless of fear, favor or affection," said he.

Dr. McDowell moved, and it was carried, that the members of the Board meet quarterly in Halifax for mutual conference and the better success of the profession.

The time appointed was Tuesday after the first Monday in January, April, July and October.

Dr. Wood offered for the discussion of the Board at the October meeting, "Typho-malarial fever." On motion of Dr. Savage, a hearty and unanimous endorsement was given Dr. Furgerson in his course throughout as Superintendent of Health.

Dr. Pierce took occasion to endorse his course, and Dr. Wood spoke in warm terms of Dr. Furgerson in the official and efficient discharge of his duties.

Dr. McDowell was appointed to lead in the discussion of the subject of the October meeting with a prepared thesis and Dr. Gee was asked to assist.

Dr. McDowell offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Medical Society of Halifax county assembled this the 2nd day of September, 1880, for the purpose of electing a county Superintendent of Health, and

Whereas, There is to be appointed by the Board of Directors at Raleigh, on the 11th inst., a Superintendent of the Central and Eastern Insane Asylum of N. C., therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of this society, do hereby unanimously recommend and endorse to the Honorable Board of Directors our fellow citizen and professional brother, Dr. W. R. Wood, as a gentleman in every way worthy of the position, and the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to Mr. R. H. Smith, President of the Board of Directors and spread a copy on the minutes.

The meeting adjourned,

THE COTTON WORM.

The cotton worm has made its appearance in this section as well as in other sections of the State. We publish below some interesting facts and remedies from the North Carolina Experiment Station:

THE COTTON WORM (Aletia Argillacea) has been known since 1793 when it was so destructive in this country. In 1804 and many successive years much damage was done by them.

The cotton worm must not be confounded with the *Boll Worm* or the *Army Worm*, the former being an insect especially destructive to the cotton boll, the latter (army worm) being generally found in the States north of us where it is extremely destructive to green crops, wheat and the grasses especially.

The cotton worm such as we will describe is also known as the cotton caterpillar and this name is destinctive enough for ordinary use.

REMEDIES—A variety of poisons have been recommended among which are London Purple, Gray Arsenic, Paris Green, &c. either applied in the wet or dried way. For ordinary purposes in this State the dry method is sufficient. Though rather slower than the method with water, the poison can be applied easily and successfully. Of most of the ordinary poisons Paris Green is the best and most easily procured.

The farm of Mr. W. G. Upchurch near Raleigh was visited and the remedy adopted by him is recommended on account of its simplicity and good effects.

Mr. Upchurch uses one pound of Paris Green with 100 pounds of either land plaster, gypsum or lime phosphate. These are thoroughly mixed and applied by sprinkling on the leaves in the early morning before the dew is off; in this way a man ought to sprinkle 100 pounds of this mixture on an acre in a short time. At this time of day the powder adheres closely to the leaves; the caterpillar later on eating it, takes also a portion of the poison and soon drops to the ground. Of course it is desired to have the poison adhere to the leaves and for this purpose an addition of five or ten pounds of flour to the mixture would improve the sticking qualities. The great trouble with the use of dry poisons is the liability of their being washed off by a sudden shower; a larger addition of flour will help to prevent this.

It may be that if the growth is very rank, a larger quantity than 100 pounds would be required of the above mixture per acre.

The least expensive method to apply the poison is the wet form. The Paris Green is mixed with water and applied at the rate of one pound to the acre. As the poison does not dissolve, the powder must be constantly stirred in the water to keep it thoroughly mixed. In this way it can cheaply be applied from a common watering pot by a man on a horse or mule. A hand force pump with a spray nozzle is very efficacious for this application. The addition of 5 to 10 pounds of flour to the quantity of the water which is mixed with the poison will increase the adhesive quality as in the dry mixture.

Persons trying these experiments will report the results to H. B. Battle, Raleigh, N. C.

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KINGWOOD LETTER.

Mr. Editor:—Not desiring to monopolize your columns, I wish to offer my congratulations to you, for the great improvement in your here-to-fore good, but now excellent paper. Your editorials bear the impress of thorough and well digested preparation. Throughout pertinent, and sparkling with home and state pride. Your selections are spicy, entertaining and instructive. We have occasional showers of rain through this section, which good farmers think are advantageous to all crops, and especially good on late corn, potatoes, turnips &c. Crops generally are looking tolerably well, and large enough; but crop of bolls on cotton is small yet. Corn on high land where cultivated is good, on low grounds sorry and little account.

On rising creek near Harris' Chapel some ten days ago, I learn from good authority, that a stinging snake, 9 feet long, and 18 inches round was killed—these dimensions were obtained by actual measurement. The stinger was the length and size of a knitting needle; he was captured and killed by getting entangled in a fence. The public schools are now being taught, and I trust much good will be accomplished, in advancing the moral and intellectual improvement of the youth of our section. "If a man empties his purse into his head, no man can take it away from him. An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest." Benjamin Franklin the author of the above sentiment, was not only a self made man but one of the greatest philosophers of modern times. I am glad to note the improvement in our teachers in the public schools. Our worthy county Superintendent certainly deserves the thanks and approbation of all classes, for his energy, efficiency and laudable zeal in his official duties. Truly the right man, in the right place. But I will stop, promising more, as time and opportunity permit. F.

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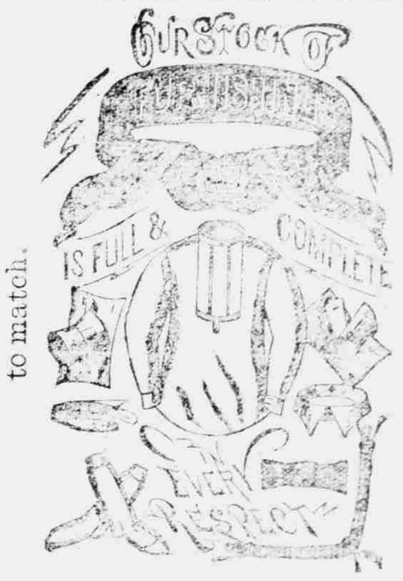

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