

The Commonwealth.

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PURE LITERATURE FOR THE HOME.

Ernest and Alexander Blance, two brothers, were hanged a few days ago in Louisiana.

The boys were working on a farm with perhaps no thought or desire to become criminals or to harm any one.

Soon they left the farm and suspicion pointed towards some other persons who barely escaped being lynched for their supposed crime.

Now, all this is a sad story, but too true, not only in the case of the Blance boys, but with many others.

The readers of THE COMMONWEALTH will remember that the same book, the life of Jesse James, was one of the first influences that moved the Bell boys.

There is no more important duty for parents than to see to it that their children have pure and wholesome literature.

Beware, therefore, parents, how you allow sensational papers to come into your homes. Too often they are filled with lies, pictures that are suggestive of evil thoughts, and carry with them an influence that, before you know it, has poisoned the minds of the boys or girls with thoughts and desires of evil which otherwise would never have come to them.

The same is true of books. Many a book that at first seems harmless and innocently amusing, turns out to be harmful to the young mind.

A NOBLE BENEFACTOR.

Dr. John C. Terrell, a native of Person county, died in Philadelphia recently at the age of nearly 80 years.

No such donation has ever been made to the county schools by any citizen of the State.

North Carolina needs more such liberal-hearted rich men.

The latest results of pharmaceutical science and the best modern appliances are available in our compounding Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

TAR DROPS.

There was quite a fire in Greenville Friday night. No very great loss.

There is a prospect of a railroad from Pollockville, in Jones county, to Kinston.

Steps are being taken to build a railroad from Snow Hill to some point on the Coast Line system.

The railroad injunction against Governor Russell and others is being tried at Greensboro this week.

Keel, the murderer tried in Greenville last week, submitted to a verdict in the second degree and was sentenced to State prison for twenty years.

An annex to the State penitentiary will soon be built for insane criminals.

An air ship passed over Wilmington Monday night, says the Messenger.

The fine academy building at Apex was burned last Friday night.

Will make a good official. The Wilmington Messenger a few days ago printed the following complimentary paragraph of Dr. W. R. Wood.

"We are of those who for more than a quarter of a century have known Dr. Wood of Scotland Neck, the new superintendent of the Raleigh Insane Asylum, and think well of his ability as a physician.

Revival in Winton. Winton, N. C., April 5, 1897. The meeting conducted here last week by Rev. J. E. Huston, was one of the greatest ever held in Winton.

There were several professions during the week. All seemed to be concerned about their souls' salvation.

There was a large crowd assembled to witness the solemn ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Samuel Saunders, pastor of the Winton Chowan Baptist church.

Mr. W. P. Shaw made a short visit to Norfolk last Wednesday.

Rev. J. K. Fant of Ahoskie attended the meeting.

Mr. C. A. Sharp of Harrellsville is visiting Mr. L. C. Cullens.

Miss Georgia Little and Miss Lena Ploot, both of Camo, are visiting the Misses Boone.

Mr. D. R. Britton and sister attended the meeting last week.

Mess. Shaw, Pierce and Carter, commenced fishing at Barfield's beach Monday.

Mr. J. O. Askew of Harrellsville was in town Sunday.

A. D. Ward, Esq., went to Murfreesboro Monday.

Miss Henrietta Vann of Gomo is visiting her sister Mrs. L. D. Boone.

Roebud Tobacco is the best.

The Wake Forest student for April is before us and is a bright number of that excellent college magazine.

Among the interesting papers in the current number is an article on Gettysburg by Mr. J. D. Huffam, Jr.

Mrs. A. Inveen, residing at 720 Henry St., Alton, Ill., suffered with catarrh of the bladder for over eight months.

MATTERS RELIGIOUS IN PLYMOUTH.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

PLYMOUTH, N. C., April 5, 1897.

Rev. B. H. Melton, Disciple minister, is conducting a series of meetings in our town.

Dr. Chas. Jackson, formerly of Gatesville, N. C., has moved to Plymouth to make it his permanent home.

Plymouth has now no newspaper and no first-class school.

The Disciples have bought a lot on the corner of Main and Washington streets upon which they expect soon to erect a house of worship.

Rev. Jno. T. Edmondson of Littleton is to conduct a series of meetings at the Baptist church beginning April 19.

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NEWS FROM NASH COUNTY.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

For several weeks until yesterday we have had open weather, the farmers have been busy at work, ploughing and making preparation for planting.

An immense quantity of guano has been hauled from our town and yet a great deal more to be carried away, judging from the quantity we see taken from the cars and stored in the guano houses.

The roads have been awfully bad but since the recent dry spell have improved very much.

There are several houses now being built. Mr. C. B. Brantley, one of our enterprising merchants, is having a very neat house built which when completed will be occupied by Mr. A. P. Creech, R. R. Agent who on the morning of the 24th of March last led to the hymeneal altar Miss Alice Lewis, the charming and accomplished daughter of J. R. Lewis of our town.

On yesterday at 2:30 p. m. the funeral of S. L. Lamm was preached at his old home near Spring Hope by Rev. G. M. Duke under Masonic honors, he being a member of Morning Star Lodge No. 85.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys.

TILLERY TIPS.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

TILLERY, N. C., April 5, 1897.

A colored train hand named William Moore tried to walk on air between two freight cars last Thursday.

Friday evening a fire broke out in the mixing room of the N. C. Lumber Co. It had gained some headway before it was discovered, but good work by the newly organized fire department quickly subdued it.

The town commissioners met last Friday and drew up the ordinances by which this town will be governed hereafter.

WANTED.—A dozen marriageable girls to locate in and around Tillery so that in the future nine young men won't have to call on the same young lady every Sunday evening.

Watch the crowd at Whitehead's Drug store buying Dixie Nerve and Bone Lintiment.

The town of Lumberton has again been stricken by the fire fiend.

Americans are the most inventive people on earth. To them have been issued nearly 600,000 patents.

Arbuckles coffee 15c. lb. Dried apples 5c. "

Octagon soap, 6 cakes for 25c. Armours soap, 7 cakes for 25c.

Star Lye, Toilet Soap Sweet and strong snuff Table salt and many other things too numerous to mention.

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A BRILLIANT MARRIAGE AT EVERETTS.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

WILLIAMSTON, N. C., April 5, '97.

On Wednesday, March 24, at the Baptist church at Everetts, Miss Florence Adams, the lovely niece of Mrs. T. H. Bailey, was united in matrimony to Mr. S. A. Jenkins, a prosperous young business man of Ayden.

The church was tastefully decorated with evergreens and cut flowers.

The ceremony was performed at 4 p. m. by Rev. G. L. Finch. As the joyous strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march floated out on the air, the bridal party marched down the aisle in the following order: Miss Lizzie Salisbury and Prof. E. B. Grantham; Miss Lena Andrews and Leon Burrows; Miss Jennie Burrows and Mr. White; Miss Myrtle Whitley and Frank Burrows; Miss Gertrude Everett and Cornelius James; Miss Beulah White and Mr. Allen; Miss Nellie Simpson and Albert Coffield; Miss Mittie Coffield and Paul Simpson; Miss Daisy White and Dr. Nelson, followed in the left aisle by little Miss Ida Bailey and in the right aisle by Master Willie Holland, bearing lighted tapers.

Just after the former, came the bride, leaning on the arm of the maid of honor, Miss Ida Adams, her sister. They were met at the altar by the groom supported by his best man, Mr. Jenkins, his brother.

After the ceremony, the bride and groom left for their new home in Ayden.

The popular young couple received a number of beautiful and useful presents.

THE NEWS & OBSERVER persists in crediting what it takes from this paper to the Scotland Neck "Democrat."

Our buyer is now in the Northern markets, visiting the manufacturers and big sales, buying for cash such bargains as we never have seen before.

Just Look!

Fine Japanese and straw cotton-warp floor matting 7, 9, 11, 15c. Lace curtains 8x7 feet 18c, 4x9 feet 42c, 4x10 feet 45c.

Good gingham 3 1/2, 4c., Calicoes Spring styles 3, 4c., New lot wall paper 3, 4c., 500 Black ribbon at half regular price.

Remember we prepay freight on all goods bought at one time from us amounting to \$5.00 and over.

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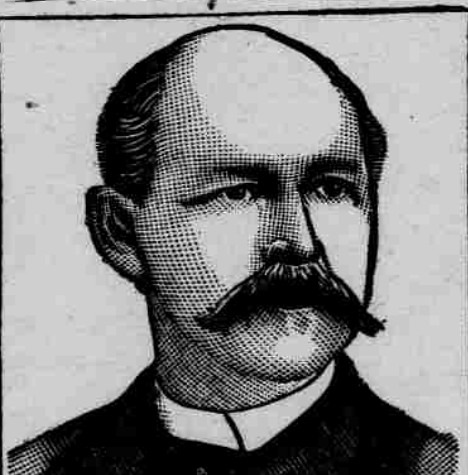
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