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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1898.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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THE season is advancing and our large stock must go. Special bargains in our entire line. M. Hoffman & Bro.

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SAVE money by buying your peanut sacks from M. Hoffman & Bro.

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Four for 50c. 90c. per dozen. Call and see specimens of up to date photographs at GEO. E. PATON'S Gallery.

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A good two-horse farm, one mile from Scotland Neck. Good buildings. 1027 ft. Apply to this office.

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I wish to purchase 2,500 bales of cotton. Will pay the highest cash price. See me before selling. N. B. JOSEY, Scotland Neck, N. C.

Lime! Lime!

A car load of Lime just received. R. C. JOSEY.

Cheapest Collars at N. B. JOSEY'S.

50 Dozens Boys' and Ladies' Standing Collars, 3 cents each; 2 for 5 cents; 25 cents a dozen. N. B. JOSEY.

N. B. JOSEY

Has returned from Northern markets. He invites you to call this week to see his fall and winter stock.

Just what you are looking for in Dress Goods, Trimmings, Cloaks and Jackets. Can be found at N. B. JOSEY'S.

Ladies' Merino Vest 43c. each or \$1.50 for 2 vests and 2 prs. pants. N. B. JOSEY.

500 Boys' and Men's Caps. Your choice for 25c. N. B. JOSEY.

Be sure to see our Men's and Boys' and Children's Clothing before buying. It will pay you. N. B. JOSEY.

1,000 pairs Ladies' and Children's Stockings. 5c. a pair. Worth more. N. B. JOSEY.

3 car Loads Bagging and Ties received this week. Get our prices. N. B. JOSEY.

Corsets, Handkerchiefs, Gloves and Ladies' Underwear. Good values. N. B. JOSEY.

Umbrellas. 50c. to \$2.00 worth more. N. B. JOSEY.

Don't forget to ask to be shown through Our Shoe Stock. N. B. JOSEY.

Nice line of Royster's FRESH CANDIES—all size packages, just received at Taylor's.

A RARE BARGAIN in Sugar cured hams and shoulders FOR A FEW DAYS only at Taylor's. 10 13 2c.

Cabbage Plants.

30,000 cabbage plants at one dollar per thousand. Ready for transplanting by 10th of November. W. R. WALSTON, Scotland Neck, N. C.

Notice-Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of THE NORTH CAROLINA LUMBER COMPANY will be held at the office of the Company in Tillery, North Carolina, on Friday, the 25th day of November, 1898. HAROLD H. FRIES.

Take THE COMMONWEALTH.

LOCAL NEWS.

MARRIED AT HALIFAX.—Halifax had another marriage Tuesday. Mr. Aubrey Liveale and Miss Gertrude Jones of Richmond were the happy couple and Justice W. A. Wilcox officiated.

SHOOTING AT WELDON.—Sunday night a colored man got into a difficulty over some clothes, and shot a colored girl who was defending her father's premises. He was arrested and lodged in Halifax jail Tuesday.

A FEW HOURS LATE.—THE COMMONWEALTH force have been pressed with work since the election as they have not been in a long time. We have been careful to get up election returns. Not being able to get the names of the Justices elected we have to defer giving them until next issue. On account of such a press of work we are a few hours late, but we are here all the same.

SHOT FROM AMBUSH.—Joe Wisbel, an old colored man about 80 years old, was shot from ambush a few nights ago as he was going from Palmyra to his home near by. He had been to the village and was returning home quietly a few hours after night fall.

He had for years voted the democratic ticket and those who know him think that he was shot by some one who had a spite against him for voting as he does. His wounds were serious but may not prove fatal.

Small Pox at Coakley.

News comes that there are sixteen cases of smallpox at Coakley, a small village in Edgecombe, about fourteen miles from Scotland Neck.

It seems that some one from Norfolk carried the disease into the country. We do not know whether or not there have been any deaths.

There ought to be a strict quarantine against it, lest the entire community become subjected to the ravages of the terrible disease.

We Are Grateful for Commendation.

THE COMMONWEALTH has been showered with good and cheering words of commendation for the bold stand it took in the late campaign and for the good service it gave its readers.

By word and by mail our readers have been considerate enough to say that our work was commendable and all our utterances wise. We heartily appreciate all that our friends have spoken and written us and feel grateful that our efforts have met with such hearty approval.

We have written and printed what we have in the firm and honest conviction that it was our duty as a journalist, and we only hope that the necessity for such a sharp and heated contest may not be thrust upon the people of North Carolina again soon.

Thanking our friends for their kind consideration we turn to the future in the hope that we may still be guided by good judgment in advocating whatever is wisest and best for our people.

A Card From the Colored People.

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., Nov. 15, '98. Editor THE COMMONWEALTH:

We, the colored people of Mary's Chapel neighborhood, in a meeting for the purpose of thinking over exciting passion all over this community, submit the following: We have always been law-abiding people and we still pledge ourselves and the people of this community that we will continue to stay within the bounds of the law and do nothing in the slightest degree to inflame new passions or revive old ones. We further pledge that if we know anyone to violate or go beyond the bounds of the law we will take no part in it, but will aid in bringing them to the courts of justice.

We further pledge that we will from time to time teach our young boys and girls as we have always done, to stay within the bounds of the law and do nothing to precipitate confusion or riot. Yes, we will keep the peace at all hazards.

Yours for Peace,
THAD SHIELDS,
W. H. REYNOLDS,
W. B. SMITH,
C. C. BAKER, and others.

A CLEVER TRICK.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has a lame back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at E. T. Whitehead & Co.'s Drug Store.

NOVEMBER NEW FACES.

Where They Go and Whence They Come.

Rev. A. W. Setzer, of Greenville, has been here on a visit this week.

Rev. R. H. Herring, of Halifax, has been here on a visit this week.

Miss Helen Perry a few days ago returned from a visit to Washington, N. C.

Miss Nannie Whitehead left a few days ago for Peace Institute, Raleigh.

Miss Bessie Lewis, of Voni, is visiting relatives and friends in Scotland Neck.

Mrs. J. T. Evans, of Weldon, came down Tuesday to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Noah Biggs and her daughter, Miss Annie returned Tuesday from Baltimore.

Rev. J. A. B. Kilpatrick, of Aurilian Springs, was here Tuesday on a visit to his son, Mr. K. Kilpatrick.

Mr. B. C. Bell and daughter, of Bath, N. C., were here Monday. Mr. Bell is moving to Georgetown, S. C.

Mr. Len Bell, of Ashokis has been home several days on the sick list trying to recuperate.

Mr. Lloyd Bell who has been in the army for several months, has received his discharge and passed through a few days ago returning to his position as book-keeper for a good firm in Suffolk, Virginia.

Mrs. S. A. Hooker, of Aurora, spent a few days here last week visiting her sisters, Mesdames J. H. Lawrence and E. E. Hillard, and went on Monday to visit relatives in Raleigh and Cary.

A Day of Rejoicing.

Last Thursday the election returns were opened at Halifax, and people from every precinct in the county were there.

The Scotland Neck band went up and made music in honor of the victory. There was speech-making, a general rejoicing and the Scotland Neck boys all returned wearing flowers which the ladies had given them at Halifax.

That Dollar Again!

Last week we asked our delinquent subscribers to settle at once if possible, but only a few have regarded our request. We should not have made the appeal if we had not really needed the money due us.

Good readers, we have gone to great expense and personal labor to give you a good paper, and we are in great need of every dollar that is due us. To be sure, if only one person owed us a dollar we could get along somehow without it; but when hundreds owe us a dollar each we cannot so well get along without it.

Now to come down to straight business, we have a number of subscribers whose names we shall be compelled to drop from our list if they do not make some arrangements about settling.

This appeal is personal to every one who owes us as much as 50 cents, and we hope every such one will so take it and settle at once.

We must have what is due us or we cannot run the paper.

IN MEMORIAM.

On Monday afternoon, Nov. 7th, the angel of death again visited the home of Mr. J. R. Ballard and took away little Robert Bruce, aged seven years and ten months. Little Bruce had been having chills for some time, and in delicate health, but for the last few weeks seemed a great deal better and had been attending school regularly. He had a severe chill on Sunday afternoon from which he died the following day. It was so unexpected and such a severe blow to the entire family! Bruce was a bright, sunny natured little child, of an affectionate disposition, a good son, loving brother, and a most obedient little pupil. The parting was sad and hard to bear, but loved ones remember the Lord has only taken him from this sinful world to be with his dear mamma and the other loved ones gone before, and try to be prepared to meet with them around the great white throne in heaven. C. L. H.

GLAD WORDS FROM ILLINOIS.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)
JOLIET, ILL., Nov. 12, 1898.

EDITOR THE COMMONWEALTH:

Thanks be to God and to the good old Democratic party that North Carolina has been pulled out of the mire of Republican misrule. And now for the sake of your mothers, wives, and daughters, keep her out.

I believe that if the newspapers (the pulse of the nation) will do their duty (and you have done yours) there will be no occasion for a recurrence of such a deplorable state of affairs as has existed in North Carolina for the past few years.

I congratulate you.
Very truly yours,
J. E. HANCOCK.

Heavy Loss By Fire.

Last Monday morning about 3 o'clock the barn and stables on the Grafflin farm on Roanoke river about seven miles from town, were entirely consumed by fire. Sixteen head of team, four fine oxen, nearly all the farming implements, and a large quantity of forage, were consumed.

It is a large farm, working about thirty head of team, and all the forage of the farm was consumed, which with the team, the implements and the buildings, made a loss of some \$4,000.

About as many mules were saved as were destroyed. The fire occurring at a late hour, it was in full blast almost before it was known. Some young men whom Mr. W. P. Darden, the manager, had left in the dwelling-house were aroused, but only to see the great buildings and the pitiable beasts a helpless prey to the merciless flames.

The fire caught from the south, it seemed, and the wind being from that direction the flames soon swept through the entire building, making it impossible to work more than a few minutes after persons reached the scene of the disaster.

It was perhaps the finest and best equipped building of the kind in the county, and the community greatly sympathizes with the owners in their great loss.

The general opinion is that it was the work of incendiaries.

Mr. Darden was at his home in Scotland Neck, and as soon as a messenger could bring him the news he went to the scene of the disaster to find the fruits of much labor destroyed.

Suspicion rested upon three colored men, Cain Smith, Allen Thompson and Richmond Norfleet. They were arrested and brought before Justice J. A. Perry and kept in custody until Tuesday morning. The case was heard when Smith and Thompson were released for want of evidence but Richmond Norfleet was sent up to jail to await trial at the Criminal court.

THE COMMONWEALTH deeply deplores such an occurrence and sympathizes with the losers of the property, and also hopes to see the guilty parties brought to justice.

MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten millions trial bottles of this great medicine and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on E. T. Whitehead & Co., Drug-Store, and get a trial bottle free, regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Doctors Can't Cure It!

Contagious blood poison is absolutely beyond the skill of the doctors. They may dose a patient for years on their mercurial and potash remedies, but he will never be rid of the disease; on the other hand, his condition will grow steadily worse. S. S. S. is the only cure for this terrible affliction, because it is the only remedy which goes direct to the cause of the disease and forces it from the system.

I was afflicted with Blood Poison, and the best doctors did me no good, though I took their treatment faithfully. In fact, I seemed to get worse all the while. I took almost every so-called blood remedy, but they did not seem to reach the disease, and had no effect whatever. I was disheartened, for it seemed that I never had a chance. I then took S. S. S., and began to improve. I continued the cure, and it cured me completely, building up my health and increasing my appetite. Although this was ten years ago, I have never yet had a sign of the disease to return. W. R. NEWMAN, Stanton, Va.

It is like self-destruction to continue to take potash and mercury; besides totally destroying the digestion, they dry up the marrow in the bones, producing a stiffness and swelling of the joints, causing the hair to fall out, and completely wrecking the system.

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North Carolina is almost in the throes of a revolution. To be sure, it is not very far-reaching; being confined to this State alone; but it is none the less intense in its character. Albeit it has thus far been a bloodless revolution, its significance to the welfare of the State means much.

The stamp of disapproval has been heavily placed upon the disgraceful State administration, which has obtained for the past two years; and it is the work of "the people" about whom demagogues have prated so long and loud.

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Congressman Botkin's Statement

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 1, 1898.
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Hon. J. D. BOTKIN, Congressman-at-Large from Kansas.

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J. D. BOTKIN.

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NOTICE!

HAVING QUALIFIED AS ADMINISTRATOR of the estate of L. C. Bell, deceased, I hereby notify all persons having claims against said decedent to present same to me on or before November 10th, 1898.

All debts owing to said L. C. Bell, deceased, must be paid at once on demand.

This Oct. 31, 1898.

CLAUDE KITCHIN, Administrator.

G. A. GUILFORD, Attorney.

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