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THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 1899.

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Are always to be found at the right place; and the

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Oxen Wanted.

Those who have Oxen to sell will please write me stating quality and price.

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Hobgood, N. C.

LOCAL NEWS.

THE FIRST COTTON BLOOM.—Monday morning we received from Mr. J. E. Allsbrook, of Sanford, S. C., a cotton bloom, which he wrote was plucked June 16th from cotton in a 100-acre field averaging 18 inches high.

ONE COLORED MAN STOLE FROM ANOTHER.—A few days ago officer C. W. Dunn brought before Mayor Perry a colored man named George Lee, charged with stealing cloths from another colored man who worked on the farm of Mr. W. T. Whitehead. He was sent to jail to await trial at next Criminal court.

Bonds for Caledonia Farms.

Saturday's News and Observer says: The Executive Board of the penitentiary yesterday deposited a written request with the State Treasurer to issue and sell bonds in amount sufficient to raise \$64,165, for the purchase of the Caledonia farms and to cover the expenses of issuing and selling the bonds. It was originally intended to buy also the Anson farm, and it may be done yet, but as the lease on it does not expire for some months yet, the committee will take its time about making the purchase. For the purpose of buying both the Anson and Caledonia farms the Legislature (chapter 607, Laws of 1899) authorized the issue of bonds to the amount of \$95,000. As the Caledonia farm can be bought for \$64,165, there is still left \$30,835 for the purchase of the Anson farm at some future date, if its purchase is deemed expedient.

Death of Mr. J. H. Parker.

Almost every citizen in Halifax county knew personally, or knew of, "Sheriff Parker," of Enfield. For some time his health has been poor and for the past few weeks his condition had been regarded as critical. He died at his home in Enfield last Friday, and the following interesting facts about him were given in a letter from Enfield to the News and Observer June 16th: "Mr. Jas. H. Parker, popularly known as 'Sheriff Parker,' died here to-day. Mr. Parker has been in failing health for the past few months. Some two months ago his end was daily expected, but his indomitable will prevailed and to the surprise of his friends Mr. Parker recovered sufficiently to drive out and superintend the work of his farm. This was, however, but the flickering of the candle before the light became extinguished. He was confined to his bed but a few days, when the end came calmly and peacefully this morning.

"Sheriff Parker was in his 77th year. He was born in Halifax county, and 38 years ago married Miss May Scott, who survives him. The issue of this marriage are Mr. W. F. Parker, chairman County Commissioners; S. W. Parker, of Oxford; R. B. Parker, Enfield; Mrs. A. M. Garrett, deceased; Mrs. A. S. Barbee, Chapel Hill; Mrs. R. R. Pollock, Ringwood; Mrs. A. M. Bracy, deceased; Mrs. Cary Hunt, Enfield.

"Sheriff Parker was indeed a wonderful man in many ways. His education was limited to 3 months at school. Still by determined and studious efforts he was a self-made man, had excellent business capacities and amassed large estates. He was, probably, the largest real estate owner in the county. Most of the town of Enfield belonged to him.

"Mr. Parker was a member of the Masonic order, and had held many important positions."

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ENFIELD NOTES.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.) ENFIELD, June 19, '99.

Mr. J. H. Parker died last Friday and was buried in the cemetery here Saturday, Rev. J. T. Abernethy and the Masonic order officiating. He was in his 76th year, and commenced life with but little, but by industry and economy accumulated a great deal of property and was the second largest taxpayer in the county a few years ago.

Mr. Wm. Bustin, a Confederate veteran, died at his brother's, Mr. W. D. Bustin, yesterday and will be buried at the cemetery here this evening.

Another stemmy is being built and Randolph Bros. are having brick and sand hauled to finish their stores.

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JUNE JOURNEYERS.

Rev. A. W. Setzer, of Greenville, came Wednesday.

Miss Fannie Harrell went to Martin county on a visit last week.

Mr. A. E. Bobbitt, of Littleton, was here a few days ago on business.

Miss Minnie Ethridge returned to her home in Whitakers Tuesday.

Miss Sallie Salsbury, of Hamilton, has been here some days on a visit.

Misses Lizzie Hyman and Nannie Hill went to Rocky Mount Tuesday.

Mrs. J. E. Hancock went to Morehead City Saturday to enjoy the breeze.

Miss Helen Vann, of Hertford county, is on a visit to her uncle, Rev. R. T. Vann.

Mr. J. E. Bullock, of Conetoe, has been here this week on a visit to Mrs. Madry.

Mrs. J. A. Manning, of Waverly, Va., came a few days ago on a visit to her mother.

Misses Annie and Onie Dunn went to the Enfield last week on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. E. Condrey went to Tarboro last Sunday to be under the care of Dr. Julian Baker.

Miss Nonie Hoffman left Saturday for New York, where she has gone on a visit for the summer.

Miss Pattie Vaughan, who has been at St. Mary's School in Raleigh, has been home several days.

Dr. A. C. Livermon left Thursday for Tate's Springs, Tenn., to take a few weeks' recreation for his health.

Mr. J. W. Madry and wife, of Penelo, in Edgecombe county, were here Sunday to visit his mother, Mrs. P. J. Madry.

Miss Maggie Shields left a few days ago for Salem, where she has gone to spend some time on a visit to Miss Clara Vance.

Miss Nannie Smith, who has been teaching in Beaufort county, has gone this week to Chapel Hill to attend the Summer School.

Miss Nan Smith left yesterday for Durham, where she has gone to take summer instruction in a branch of the New York Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Henry Wilkinson, of Oxford, the popular representative of the American Tobacco Company on the Scotland Neck market last season, came down Tuesday. His friends were glad indeed to see him.

Col. A. L. Smith, of Charlotte, was here this week on his return from a trip to Norfolk and Newport News. His many friends here are always glad to see him. He has good words for Scotland Neck and thinks the town has a promising future.

Dr. C. N. Hunter, of Enfield, a young physician who passed a successful examination before the State Medical Board at Asheville a few weeks ago, has located in Scotland Neck for the practice of his profession. THE COMMONWEALTH welcomes Dr. Hunter and hopes for him success. Our people will remember him as druggist in McIlhenny's drug store here a few years ago.

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Where Paint is Needed.

Once when riding on a railroad train by a village a lady remarked to the writer of how much some of the houses needed paint. She closed her observations by saying, "Paint helps almost anything but a lady's face."

Some of the people of Scotland Neck have reached the same conclusions, and we have observed that several persons are painting their houses. Among those observed are Capt. W. H. Kitchen's new residence on Main street; Mr. G. C. Weeks' residence on Main street; Mr. Bennett Allsbrook's on Main street; Mr. T. W. Fenner's new cottage near the knitting mills on Greenwood street; Mr. Johnson Allsbrook's cottage on Seventh street; Dr. R. M. Johnson's residence on Church street, and perhaps some others.

We also note a new cottage house being built by Mr. E. Shields on Tenth street near the L. L. Kitchen place, and also a new cottage by Mr. J. K. Bolton on the corner of Greenwood and Ninth streets. Maj. J. B. Neal has recently put new walling around his yard.

Such improvements are a pleasing sign of prosperity and we should be glad to see much more of it.

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Barn and Stables Burned.

At a late hour Saturday night Mr. Lawrence Whitehead, who lives several miles in the country, discovered that his barn and stables were on fire. The buildings were entirely consumed, with his farming implements and all his log carts and log wagons. It was said that he did not save so much as a set of pig-gear. He lost no stock, but the other loss was complete, and without insurance. It is thought that it was the work of an incendiary.

WOULD NOT SUFFER SO AGAIN FOR FIFTY TIMES ITS PRICE.

I awoke last night with severe pains in my stomach. I never felt so badly in all my life. When I came down to work this morning I felt so weak I could hardly work. I went to Miller & McCurdy's drug store and they recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It worked like magic and one dose fixed me all right. It certainly is the finest thing I ever used for stomach trouble. I shall not be without it in my home hereafter, for I should not care to endure the sufferings of last night again for fifty times its price.—G. H. Wilson, Liverman, Burgetstown, Washington Co., Va. This remedy is for sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

Athletic Association Entertainment.

On Thursday night of last week there was a pleasing entertainment in Temperance Hall for the benefit of Scotland Neck Athletic Association.

The entertainment consisted of music, recitations, tableaux, etc. The programme was well rendered and elicited hearty applause. A nice little amount was realized for the Association. On the same evening the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Baptist church gave an ice cream supper on the lawn in front of Temperance Hall. The receipts were not very large, but the entertainment and the cream supper together made quite a delightful evening.

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RINGWOOD NOTES.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.) RINGWOOD, June 10, '99.

The past few nights have been cool, and the crops look worried.

At a vocal union at Hickory, near here, there were a thousand people present from Enfield, Rocky Mount, Hilliardston and elsewhere.

There is considerable sickness—malaria fever and flux.

Tobacco crops are above the average and corn and cotton are fine.

The M. P. Church which is being rebuilt is nearly completed.

Some of the Masonic fraternity attended the funeral of Sheriff Parker, whose death is very much regretted.

The telephone line here is a great convenience.

There are a few loafers around, but this is no time for loafing. "Work" is the watchword.

SUMMER CATARRH

Catarrh of the bowels, because it is most prevalent in the summer months, is called summer catarrh.

It troubles many that bowel trouble is catarrh. Dr. Hartman's books make this plain.

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