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The Commercial & Farmers Bank OF ENFIELD.

The New York Packer is authority for the statement that there was considerable loss on holly in New York during the holiday trade. The shipments were very heavy, the number of packages shipped to New York, according to the Packer, being 19,028. Most of this was shipped from North Carolina and was bought outright, and was not handled on consignment. This means that the North Carolina holly gatherers made good their business by taking no chances. They sold, received the money and left the chances with the New York dealers. One firm is mentioned as handling fifty cars and losing as much as \$5,000. The market was overstocked. It is said that bunches of holly which would have sold last season at three dollars were refused this season at fifteen cents.

IT IS A FASCINATING TIME WE LIVE IN, AND WE WOULD NOT EXCHANGE IT FOR ANY TIME THAT EVER WAS. --So concludes an editorial article in a recent issue of Collier's Weekly. And truly is this a "fascinating time". To one who is in the full vigor of thought and activities of life, every day-dawn should be joyously welcomed, for with the coming of each day there are new problems of interest and new triumphs and new victories that no people on earth ever saw and realized before. And it may well be observed that these interesting problems, triumphs and victories belong chiefly to the people of America. Truly there has never been a time like our time. There has never been a country like our country. There never has been just such a people as our people. There never has been a present time for any people like our present. There never has been a future like our future. There never have been opportunities like our opportunities, and never has a people more nobly utilized opportunities, perhaps, than we are doing now. Who, indeed, would exchange this time for any time that ever has been? Fortunate are those whose time of life's activities opens now the doors to the great and fascinating fields for thought and action in the world's great work of today. We have just commenced to step well into the new century, and already wonders have crowded upon the heel of wonders for which we did not look half a decade ago. The new year of 1906 has dawned upon this country with its pencillings of light leading towards the noonday of another year which is the most inviting that we have ever contemplated. All through the land those who labor in farm, shop, office, factory and field look out with an expectation for things greater and better and a year of gladness which they have never known before. Truly it is a time when men should feel deep gratitude to the God of all good, for ours is like unto the "delightful land", of which the Lord caused the prophet Malachi to speak hundreds of years before the Christian Era.

FURIOUS FIGHTING. "For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold, under guarantee to do the same for you, by E. T. Whitehead & Co., druggists, at 50c. a bottle. Try them today.

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New York Press.
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"Promise me, Jack, that you will not go to the dogs just because I have refused you." "Oh, pshaw, of course not." "You mean thing!"--Life.

TORTURE OF A PREACHER.
The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church, of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat and Lungs. At E. T. Whitehead & Co.'s druggists; price 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

Col. R. B. CREECH, editor of the Elizabeth City Economist, celebrated his ninety-second birthday a few days ago; and so far as information has been gathered, he is the oldest active editor in the world. In honor of his great services to his town and community, the people of Elizabeth City gave him a banquet at which there were more than a hundred guests. For years Col. Creech has been known by newspaper men in this State as "The Nestor of North Carolina Journalism," and well has he maintained it. For some forty years he has been actively engaged in the work and his influence has been felt all through North Carolina, as well as in other States. Some years ago when Mr. Charles R. Jones, a newspaper man of Charlotte, laid aside his pen and gave his valedictory to journalism, he said of his work that during his career as an editor he had written many things of which he was proud and had written nothing of which he was ashamed. While we do not remember ever having seen any expression by Col. Creech concerning his estimate of his own work, perhaps he might be able to say what Mr. Jones said. At any rate, Col. Creech's career has been a remarkable one, and the people of Elizabeth City honored themselves in honoring the man who with brain and heart and pen has consecrated forty years of his noble life and distinguished talents in guarding their public and private interests with the energy and zeal which have characterized all his work. To few mortals does the Dispenser of all good grant such opportunities in a long life of good service to the world.

Facts About Panama. America. Panama is about as large as the State of Maine and has a population of 300,000. Its chief ports are Panama and Colon, with populations respectively of 35,000 and 3,000. For centuries there has been thought of a canal across the isthmus, and in 1877 the first company--a French company--was organized to dig the canal, and work was commenced in 1881. The company was headed by Ferdinand de Lesseps. The project failed after the company had spent a large sum of money, perhaps \$150,000,000, and another new company was formed in 1894. The United States decided in 1902 to take up the work and finish up the canal, and in 1903 the rights of the new company were secured and a treaty was made between the United States and Panama, signed at Washington, granting to the United States a zone five miles on either side of the canal. Panama will receive \$10,000,000 and an annuity of \$250,000, the annuity to begin in 1907, by which time it is calculated that the canal will be completed. The canal will be twenty-eight miles long, and it is estimated that it will take a ship from ten to twelve hours to pass through it. The French company is to receive \$40,000,000 and the further cost of constructing the canal will be \$114,000,000. It is estimated that it will take \$2,000,000 annually to maintain the canal after completion. By means of the canal the distance between the Eastern and Western hemispheres will be shortened about eight thousand miles. The cost of the great canal will be heavy, but it will have good effect upon our commercial facilities, and in the end perhaps all our people will approve of the outlay.

I'll brave the storms of Chilkoot Pass, I'll cross the plains of Irons glass, I'd leave my wife and cross the sea, Rather than be without Rocky Mountain Tea. E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, Jno. N. Brown, Halifax.

HOLIDAY MARRIAGE.

One of Halifax County's Loveliest Daughters Weds a Montana Physician.

Owing to the shortness of the time between the marriage and the publication hour, only a meagre report of Miss Nina White's marriage appeared in this paper two weeks ago. The following full report of the marriage appeared in the News and Observer Sunday, December 24th:

Hobgood, N. C., Dec. 23.--On Tuesday, December 19, at high noon, at the elegant country residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Maniza White, near Hobgood, N. C., the marriage ceremony of her daughter, Miss Nina Howell White, and Dr. Joseph H. Delaney, of Bozeman, Montana, was solemnized.

The decorations comprised well with the occasion and made a scene pretty to look upon. The color scheme was especially designed by Mesdames M. J. Coble, and James Pender, of Tarboro. Throughout the halls and parlor pink and green predominated; in the dining hall red carnations, and never were these of brighter hue nor more fragrant.

While the assembled guests awaited the appointed hour and just before the time was announced for the bridal party to enter the parlor, "Violets," words by Julian Fane, set to music by Ellen Wright, was sweetly sung by Mrs. William R. Bond, of Scotland Neck, accompanied by Miss Mary Austin, of Tarboro, daintily attired in white crepe over silk. Then, again, after a few moments' intermission "Constance," words by Stanton and music by Wagner, was most feelingly rendered by Mrs. Bond. And to the thrilling strains of Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus, by Wagner, artistically executed by Miss Austin, the bridal party entered the parlor in the following order:

Alternating, from either entrance, the library and the hall, came first, in pairs, the following sweet little ribbon girls, all daintily clad in white silk: Helene White, of Hobgood; Lillian Harrell, of Scotland Neck; Hattie Taylor, of Tarboro; and Gertrude Whitehead, of Scotland Neck. Then came the ushers, one from either entrance, as follows: Dr. LeRoy Savage, of Conetoe, N. C., and Richard G. Allbrook, of Tarboro; Henry E. Elges, of Raleigh, and W. A. Ruffin, of Hobgood. Then came the bridesmaids, Miss Ollie Delaney, sister of the groom, of Bristol, Tenn., and Miss Dilly Howell, of Tarboro. These wore white lace over white silk and carried ferns. Next in order was Mrs. N. L. Steadman, of Tillery, N. C., as dame of honor, who was beautifully attired in white lace tissue over Nile green silk and carried white carnations. To follow her was Miss Frances Reid McKay, of Summerville, N. C., as maid of honor, very becomingly attired in pink crepe de chine over tulle, and carrying pink carnations. And next came little Miss Elizabeth White, of Scotland Neck, as ring bearer, carrying the ring used in the ceremony on a water of silver. Last to follow was the bride, leaning upon the arm of her brother, Dr. James A. White, of Williamston, N. C., who gave her away. Always pretty and petite, of comely form and person, she never looked more so than now in a gown of pure white Brussels net over taffeta, real lace trimmings, with bridal veil caught with diamond brooch, the gift of the groom, and necklace, gift of the maid of honor. She carried bride's roses.

The groom entered at the same time with his brother, Dr. James Delaney, of Bristol, Tenn., standing at a point designated beneath an arch of evergreen, and awaiting them, was the Rev. Ralph W. Alexander, of Tarboro, who in a singularly beautiful ceremony, with voice as clear as the sound of the marriage bell, took their vows and after a benediction received while kneeling on white satin cushions, pronounced them "no more twain but one." The bridal party retired by Mendelssohn's wedding march to the library, where congratulations and hearty good wishes were received.

Immediately thereafter an elegant luncheon was served to one and all from the dining-hall, and then the happy couple hurried away to the station to catch the first train for Bristol, Tenn., the home of the groom's father, where, on Wednesday, he tendered them a wedding dinner, and thence on to their far-away Western home. Evidencing the esteem and great popularity of both bride and groom were some several hundred handsome and costly presents that friends had sent and brought. These were much admired. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. Maniza White and the late Jas. Albert White, who while living was noted everywhere for his industry, strength of character and sturdy manhood. She is accomplished, cultured, highly refined, and possesses all the charms of a person that goes to make sweet womanhood. She numbers her friends by the scores throughout this State and East Tennessee. The groom is the youngest son of Dr. W. T. Delaney, a retired physician, long and prominent and influential in Bristol. A gentleman of pleasing and affable manners, he is also, remarkably well equipped for his life's work. He is a specialist and is practicing his profession in his adopted home with skill and success.