

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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The Hertford County Herald, published at Ahoskie comes to us enlarged to a seven column eight page size.

The time for all personal and real property to be returned and valued has been changed from the first of June to the first of May of each year.

The capitol building of New York State, situated at Albany, was almost totally destroyed by fire Wednesday of last week. The building cost about twenty-seven million dollars, and the damage was considerably over half of that amount.

Ten thousand dollars a day is what Dr. L. F. Baker, of the John Hopkins Medical School charged for medical services rendered the late Thomas F. Walsh, the multi-millionaire king of Washington and Colorado. The account was paid without question.

The Senatorial dead lock has been broken in the New York legislature and Judge J. A. O'Gorman has been elected Senator from that State. While this election is not what Tammany Hall started out to get yet it gives reasonable satisfaction to its members, since the new Senator is a member of that strong New York political organization.

THREE CLASSES.

The Snow Hill Standard Laconic says that every town and community is composed of three classes and proceeds to name them as follows:

"Every community has its shirkers, jerkers and workers. The shirkers carefully abstain from doing anything to help the town and systematically opposes every project designed to benefit it. They are fossils and back numbers with which any place may well dispense. The jerkers usually are enthusiastic for awhile over any new idea, but the enthusiasm soon dies out and fails when it is most needed. The workers lead with every project for improvement on its merits, and when it commends itself to their judgment they push it with all their might and intelligently until it becomes an accomplished fact. Ever alert to the best interests of their town, and imbued with true local patriotism they are untiring in their efforts to promote its welfare, and the result is seen in growth and prosperity. It is up to every man in this and every town to decide as to the class he will join, and whether he will be a detriment or a valuable asset in the community."

Let us all join the workers and then our town and entire section will grow.

Notice to Patrons.

There seems to be a great deal of absence from school now which may be due to a misunderstanding on the part of our patrons. We wish to state that the work is going forward as well as could be expected under the circumstances and there is room for all our pupils. Of course our quarters are not as comfortable as those we had before, but they are sanitary and safe, a committee having made a thorough examination of the building and pronounced it safe.

In view of these circumstances and in view of the fact that those who lose this time can not keep up with their grades next fall it will be impossible for us to advance those who do not attend school now and who do not stand the spring term examinations.

J. B. AIKEN, Supt.

Mammoth Hen Egg.

Mr. J. A. Tyson, who lives on Greenville R. F. D. No. 6 brought The Reflector the largest hen egg we have ever seen. It weighs 4 1/8 ounces is 3 3/8 inches long and large in proportion. On the small end of the egg is a well formed letter "C." Mr. Tyson says the hen has laid three eggs, all of them about the same size.—Greenville Reflector.

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The Poor Old Horse.

To the Editor:—We have been told that just after the war it was not an unusual sight to see two men riding one horse—that is the same said horse. We of to-day, when horses are plentiful and prosperity walks or rides throughout the land, do not of a necessity have to do this.

In the town of Scotland Neck there are two factions—startling news(?) but why deny it, it is true.

Scotland Neck is a poor horse. The poor old fellow has been double ridden until he is showing signs of age and great physical weakness. The trouble is, Mr. A. says to Mr. B., "You are riding that horse and it is your duty to feed the poor old fellow." "No," says Mr. B., "while I know what you say in part is true, yet notwithstanding you are furnishing the feed and bearing a greater part of the expenses generally, I have another partner that must be looked after. I cannot attend to two poor old horses except in an executive way.

(Narrative to be continued.)
Yes, no one will deny that the time has come in Scotland Neck that men—men who have from boyhood fought the battles of life, and fought manly and well, and have builded our town—must come to the front and do something. We are tired and disgusted with these little petty politics. Hardly can there be a justice of the peace appointed unless he is "riding the same old horse."

Scotland Neck is worth more to its people than to forever be in such a condition. We must build a graded school building that is worthy of the town, as it should be. There is politics in the schools—no need to deny it. Yet those that have been kicked and branded as unfit to "ride the same old horse" are anxious to come out on the "green" and work for a greater school building than has even been suggested.

Now we are soon to have a town election. What are you going to do? We have no criticisms now, but let's get together, men who have the interest of the town at heart. Do something, and do what is right. We have men here, scores of them, who will make us good officials. They have succeeded for themselves; they have money and property here, and what is to the best interest of the "poor old horse" will be to their interest.

While we offer no criticism, yet is it not good to change the feed of this "poor old horse"? 'Tis too much to expect him to fatten on the same feed.

Please allow us to suggest some names to select from, and in doing so say that there are others just as good, possibly better, but we would be glad to see these men elected:

For Mayor—G. S. White.
For Commissioners—G. Hoffman, Dr. R. M. Johnson, E. W. Hyman, R. L. Hardy, A. McDowell, F. P. Shields, N. B. Josey, R. C. Josey.

FRIEND TO HORSE.

Wisdom of a Woman.

A wise woman once said that there were three follies of men which always amused her. The first was climbing trees to shake the fruit down, when, if they would wait long enough the fruit would fall itself.

The second was going to war to kill each other, when, if they only waited, they would die naturally, and third was that they should run after women, when, if they did not do so, the women would be sure to run after them.—Acheson Globe.

Weldon Chief in Trouble.

Weldon, March 30.—On a bench warrant issued by Presiding Judge J. S. Adams, of the Halifax Superior court, Chief of Police S. M. Dickens and his brother, Policeman Lonny Dickens, both of Weldon, were arrested and taken before the court today to answer to the charge of assaulting and causing the death of George Jones, an old citizen, whose friends say he was inoffensive. Judge Adams held the chief under \$5,000 and his brother under \$2,500 bond for the next term of court. The arrest caused a big sensation and the courtroom was crowded.

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News from Halifax.

Halifax, N. C., April 4.—Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin D. Frazier, who reside four miles west of town, last week lost by death their little son, who was three years of age, by blood poisoning. He was apparently well just a few days before death, and the blow coming so sudden upon the devoted parents, bows them in deep grief.

The information received here from Warrenton that on Sunday evening Judge Joseph S. Adams, of Asheville, died there suddenly, causes genuine sorrow here. Judge Adams has held several courts here and was just getting acquainted with Halifax county people, and all that we have heard express themselves, agree that he was an exceptionally fine man, an able lawyer, and an impartial judge on the superior court bench. He was not feeling so well the last day or two of the second week of court here and complained of a bad headache.

The free ferry is now in operation across Roanoke river, and connecting Northampton with Halifax county at this point. Mr. T. O. Vaughan had the contract for the new flat and had made a most strong and substantial one.

Rev. A. G. Wilcox filled the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening to the delight of his people, preaching two strong, practical, gospel sermons. He preached at the county home in the afternoon to the Lord's poor.

Louis Froelich, Jr., has returned from a visit to Richmond of several days.

Ernest Applewhite, of Tillery, spent Sunday here with friends.

Charles Froelich is this week in Richmond to see relatives and friends.

J. T. Coppedge, of Scotland Neck, spent Sunday and Monday here with relatives.

William Keeter, of Scotland Neck, spent Sunday with his people, four miles west of town.

Mrs. Sterling M. Gary has returned from a very pleasant visit to Henderson to see her sister, Mrs. Walter Burwell.

Miss Urtie Daniel is still in the western part of the State visiting school friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marshall, of near Wilmington, have been here several days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robt. H. Daniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker, of Tillery, spent Sunday here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Stedman.

Mr. Walton Worthing, of Greenville, came to see his wife and baby.

Mrs. Irwin Clay and sons, of Clinton, were here last week to see the Saters.

Miss Nell Nelson, who has been visiting in Richmond for some time, has not returned.

Miss Sue Clark, of Wilson, has been visiting Mrs. John H. Fenner for several days.

Miss Frances Sater went up to Littleton a few days ago to visit friends.

Quite a good sized crowd at commissioners court Monday.

A goodly number of the older heads claim that the peach crop is injured severely. We are consoled with the fact that watermelons haven't bloomed yet.

The month of March kept the most of us guessing. We wonder what April will do!

W. F. COPPEDGE.

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Helpless As a Baby.

Valley Heights, Va.—Mrs. Jennie B. Kirby, in a letter from this place says: "I was sick in bed for nine months, with womanly troubles. I was so weak and helpless, at times I couldn't raise my head off the pillow. I commenced to take Cardui, and I saw it was helping me at once. Now I can work all day." As a tonic for weak women nothing has been found, for fifty years, that would take the place of Cardui. Try a bottle today. It will surely do you good.

Oak City Hams.

Oak City, N. C., Apr. 4.—Miss Olivia Early went to Winterville Friday afternoon to visit her sister. Miss Ora Taylor, of Robersonville, is spending the week with Mrs. C. M. Hurst.

Miss Mary Worsley went to Scotland Neck Saturday afternoon and returned Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Silas House from Robersonville spent Sunday in town.

Miss Bessie Casper came home Friday from Spring Green where she is teaching, and returned Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Claude Roebuck from Spring Green spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Everette and children went to Robersonville Sunday afternoon to spend a few days with relatives.

Rev. Summeris, a Christian minister, conducted services in the Baptist church Thursday evening.

Mrs. F. L. Haislip is spending a few days at her home this week.

Miss Olivia Early is spending the week with Miss Hettie Johnson.

Mr. Herbert Rives spent Sunday with his cousin, Wilber Worsley.

Mr. Lucius Davenport was in town Sunday.

Rev. T. J. Crisp filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hines attended the funeral of Mr. Sam Williams near Palmyra Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ethel Peel who has been teaching at Oak City, returned to Robersonville Friday afternoon.

Mr. B. M. Worsley accompanied her to Parrale. He has been wearing a sad look since she left. "Cheer up Ben the worse is yet to come."

On Thursday evening, March 30th at the close of the school, the girls of the Oak City Public School gave a delightful party in the school building. Owing to services at the Baptist church the crowd was late in arriving. The Oak City Band went down and entertained the crowd about two hours with delightful music. At eleven o'clock refreshments were served by the older girls of the school. Every body seemed to have a jolly good time. At 11:30 the crowd went away with glad hearts after having spent such a delightful evening. We hope to be entertained again next year as nicely as we were this. The girls were sorry the teacher did not give her presence.

U. D. C. Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the local chapter of the U. D. C. will be held in the Hall of the Buck Kitchen Camp this (Thursday) afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. We hope for a full attendance as this is the meeting at which arrangements for the tenth of May must be made.

Mrs. ARCHIBALD McDOWELL, President.
Mrs. W. F. BUTTERWORTH, Secretary.

Just Half in Bed.

Clyde, Ky.—Mrs. I. A. Decker, writes from Clyde, "I recommend Cardui, the woman's tonic, to any woman in need of a remedy. For five years, I was unable to do my work. Half my time was spent in bed. At times I could not stand. At last I tried Cardui. Now I am well and happy, and can do my own work." Don't suffer pain, headache, backache, and other womanly misery when your own druggist has on his shelf a remedy—Cardui. Get a bottle for your self.

Don't Worry.

Never worry.
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Worrying sours the temper.
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Worry impairs the digestion, and digestion is "the whole story."
Worry is not only a destroyer of beauty, but it kills charm of manner and in time thins out one's list of friends.—Ex.

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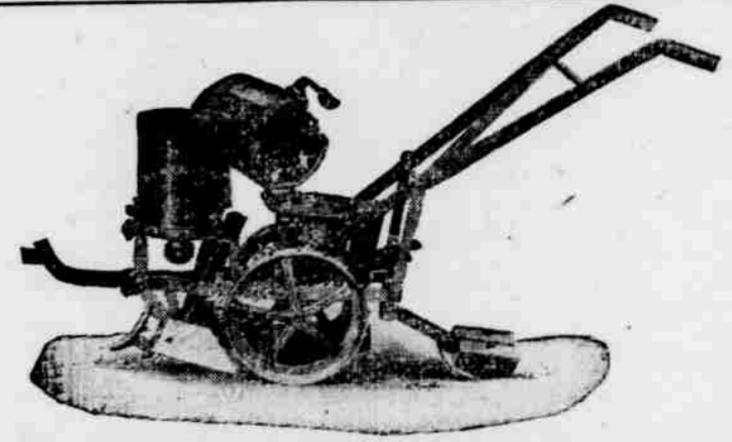
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Sale of Land for Taxes. Notice, Public Land Sale.

I will sell at public auction at the court house door in Halifax on the first Monday in May, 1911, the following tracts or parcels of land to satisfy the taxes and cost for 1910:

PALMYRA TOWNSHIP.

Peter Anthony, Sr., 10 acres, Charleston, and 6 acres, homestead, \$1.91.

John Adams, 159 acres, Harriet Adams, \$10.27.

J. A. G. Clark, 3 acres, Charleston, \$3.14.

Thad Knight, 61 acres, Weeks land, \$4.61.

New Light Lodge, 1/2 acre, near Norfolk, 91c.

Allen Mabry, Jr., 36 acres, Poconsin, \$3.30.

Bryant Smith, 350 acres, Burwell, land, and 200 acres, Core land, \$25.49.

Helen Smith, 5 acres, piny woods, \$1.36.

Anthony Watson, 5 acres, piny woods, \$1.29.

Miss Lucy N. Clark, 152 acres, river land, \$12.49.

Dr. J. R. Pope, 1 town lot, Hobgood, \$1.23.

Mrs. A. M. Perry, 102 acres, Deep Creek, \$9.16.

ROSENEATH TOWNSHIP.

Arthur Statham, 15 acres, piny woods, \$4.99.

O. K. Taylor heirs, 334 acres, piny woods, \$9.81.

W. T. Vaughan, 415 acres, Deep Creek, \$21.29.

Mrs. Mary A. White, 66 acres, piny woods, \$3.30.

R. H. WHITE,
Tax Collector for Palmyra and Rose-
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Notice, Public Land Sale.

By virtue of power vested in undersigned executor of R. H. Smith, trustee of that mortgage executed by J. W. Clark and wife on the 17th day of December, 1905, as recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Halifax county in book 184 at page 306, and conferred upon him by the laws of North Carolina and by virtue of power vested in undersigned Albion Dunn, trustee by that deed of trust executed by the said J. W. Clark and wife on the 1st day of January, 1909, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Halifax county in book 198 at page 349, we shall sell to cash at public auction in the town of Scotland Neck on the 6th day of May, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon, the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying, being and situated in the town of Scotland Neck, county of Halifax and State of North Carolina, to-wit:

First Parcel.—Lying on Block fronting on 12th street 60 feet, and beginning 50 feet west from the intersection of Greenwood and 12th streets, and running back from the street 50 feet, and being the lot that was conveyed to the said J. W. Clark by W. H. Kitehin and by deed of record in Halifax county and being the lot whereon the said J. W. Clark and wife now reside.

Second Parcel.—Beginning at point where A. F. Hancock and Scotland Neck, thence in an easterly direction 250 feet to middle of ditch, Hancock and Dunn's corner, thence up said ditch 185 feet to well in three feet of a perpendicular across the field 150 feet to A. F. Hancock and Tom Hancock's corner, thence down their line to the beginning, and being the same parcel of land conveyed to the said J. W. Clark and wife by deed of record in Halifax county.

This April 4th, 1911.

STUART SMITH, Executor of R. H. Smith, Trustee.
Albion Dunn, Trustee.

North Carolina / In Superior Court Halifax County / Before the Clerk Madison Eakes

J. L. Eakes, Harvey Eakes, Norman Butts, Mattie Bell, and husband, William Locke, Below and husband, Charlie Mollie Kinton and husband, Kinton, William Adams, Lem Perry, et al.

Notice of Service by Publication.—The defendant, Lem Perry, named, and the heirs of Stuart Smith, deceased, by whatever name and wherever located, whose names and addresses are unknown, but who have an interest in the land sought to be divided in this proceeding, take notice that a summons is above entitled action was filed against the said defendants on the 16th day of March, 1911, by the undersigned, Clerk Superior Court Halifax county, North Carolina, which said summons is returned before the undersigned, Clerk Superior Court of Halifax county, North Carolina, office in Halifax county and aforesaid, on the 7th day of April, 1911. Said defendants above named will take notice that the suit is instituted, as appears in the petition, the purpose of dividing a tract of land belonging jointly to the plaintiff and defendants, situated in the field township, county and State aforesaid, and said defendants are required to appear at the office of the undersigned Clerk Superior Court of Halifax county on the 26th, 1911, and answer on oath to the petition filed, or the relief prayed will be granted.

This 21st day of March, 1911.

S. M. GARY,
Clerk Superior Court.

Manning & Everett,
Attorneys for Petitioner.