

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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Congress is now in session.

The placing of light lines on those convicted of selling liquor, by the blind tiger route, has no tendency to stop the traffic. A few road sentences will cause the fellows to set up and take notice.

The result of the foot ball games on Thanksgiving day was against North Carolina. The score stood Virginia, 28; Carolina, 0. V. P. L., 3; A. & M., 0. Hard luck boys, but maybe the score will be different next time.

The North Carolina Teachers Assembly held a very interesting session in Raleigh Friday and Saturday of last week. Dr. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, was named as president of the Assembly and R. D. W. Connor, secretary and treasurer.

DO GOOD ROADS PAY?

The Sanford Express asks the above question and proceeds to answer it with the following facts and figures:

"Before good roads were built in Mecklenburg county, land within 8 miles of Charlotte could be bought for \$8 the acre. The same land now worth from \$50 to \$100 the acre.

Jackson county, Alabama, built 125 miles of good roads in two years at a cost of \$250,000. In 1890 the average of the land reached by those roads was \$4.80 the acre. Now ready purchasers would be glad to take it at from \$15 to \$25 the acre.

In Hall county, Georgia, a farm containing 65 acres was sold for \$1,850. A macadam road was built through this farm and the owner was forthwith offered \$4,500 for it.

In Hamilton county, Tenn., a farm near Morristown was sold for \$6,000 before good roads were built in that county. Since the good roads were built it has been sold for \$15,000.

In North Carolina, a farm at Apex was sold for \$700, before a gravel road was built. After this road was built it was sold for \$4,600."

Dawsons Items.

Dawsons, N. C., Dec. 4.—The farmers in this section will have all their cotton picked out in a few more days. Several farmers are putting their peas on the Enfield market, as they are paying three to five cents more per bushel for them than they can get in the nearby markets.

Hog killing time is now on hand in our section.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Joe Barnes is improving from his severe sickness.

There was a large crowd at church Sunday night. Dr. O. C. Stallings gave us a good talk on faith and prayer.

The oyster supper at Mr. John Lawrence's was a success on Thanksgiving night. Twenty-eight dollars was the net proceeds for the orphans.

Mr. Leslie Simmons has rented the C. A. Camp farm for the coming year.

Mr. Ed Gay will move to Mr. L. W. Barnhill's farm, so we learn.

Mr. Early D'Berry returned to Roanoke Rapids after spending some time with his parents. He tells us business is very dull up there now, owing to the low prices of produce.

Rabbit hunting is now in season and the boys seem to enjoy the fun of killing them. There seems to be a fair demand for the old hare on the market around here.

Mr. W. E. Messenger has returned from Halifax where he has been doing some machine repairing.

Farmers Union Notice.

All members expecting to attend the eighth semi-annual convention of the North Carolina Farmers Union will please take notice that train No. 89, the one we will go on, will leave Weldon at 11:30, Halifax 11:45, and Enfield 12:07. Don't forget the date, Wednesday, December 13th. Full particulars will be given out at the county meeting in Halifax December 9th. For further information write to Geo. R. Bennett, County Secretary-Treasurer, Enfield, N. C.

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McNAMARA BROTHERS CONFESS.

The Greatest Case Involving Organized Labor Closes Suddenly.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 2. The McNamara brothers, on trial for the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times in October, 1910, and the Llewellyn Iron Works, also in Los Angeles, gave the labor world the lie to-day when they confessed their guilt. James B. McNamara will probably be sentenced to imprisonment for life, while his brother will face a term of twenty years of hard labor.

The Los Angeles Times was blown up on the morning of October 1, 1910, with loss of life totalling 21. Harrison Gray Otis' warring on certain phases of organized labor in California, was the cause of the "blowing up." Union men were charged with the crime and the International Typographical Union issued a statement offering funds and assistance in running down the authors of the crime and expressing its horror. Detective W. J. Burns, of San Francisco graft fame, was put on the case and the arrest of the McNamara brothers followed after an exciting chase and no end of legal wrangling.

The trial, had it not been stopped by the McNamara confession would have proved one of the costliest ever staged in any State, the county having already spent over \$200,000. John D. Frederick, for the State, had summoned over 450 witnesses, whilst Clarence D. Barrow, of Chicago, lawyer conducting the defense, had a list of witnesses numbering 200. The attempt to secure a jury started on October 11, and had gone on uninterrupted until yesterday, when the men plead guilty. Judge Walter Brodwell presided.

How to Cure Hams.

My method of curing hams is as follows: Trim them neatly and make a brine strong enough to float a fresh egg. Put them in this and let them remain four or five days to draw all blood. Then take them out and boil and skim the brine and when cold return them to the brine, adding enough fresh brine to cover them, and then add for each 100 pounds of ham a pint of black molasses and an ounce of saltpeter, and let the hams remain in the brine two or three weeks. Then take them out and hang and smoke well with hickory wood or corn cobs and smother the fire with green cedar brush. When well smoked, take them down and paint them all over with a thick mixture of black molasses and black pepper. Wrap in stout brown paper and put each in a cotton sack and dip it in lime wash and hang in a dark smoke-house. The hams will improve till a year old.

I treat shoulders in the same way, and sides, except that the sides remain in brine half the time the hams do. Jowls treated in this way are fine for boiling with turnip greens in the spring.—W. E. Massey, in The Progressive Farmer.

How to Become an Editor.

Most any one can be an editor. All the editor has to do is to sit at the desk six days out of the week, four weeks of the month and twelve months of the year and "edit" such stuff as this:

"Mrs. Jones of Cactus Creek let a can opener slip last week and cut herself in the pantry."

"A mischievous lad of Picketown threw a stone and struck Mr. Pike in the alley last Tuesday."

"John Doe climbed on the roof of his house last week looking for a leak and fell, striking himself on the back porch."

"While Harold Green was escorting Miss Violet Wise from the church last Saturday night a savage dog attacked them and bit Mr. Green several times on the public square."

"Isaiah Trimmer of Running Creek was playing with a cat Friday when it scratched him on the veranda."

"Mr. Long while harnessing a broncho last Saturday was kicked just south of his corn patch."

Yes, it's a wonder they draw any salaries for it.—American Press.

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NEWS FROM HALIFAX.

Mr. Twisdale and Miss Smith Marry in Weldon. Other Items.

Halifax, N. C., Dec. 5.—The marriage of Mr. James R. Twisdale and Miss Elma Smith on last Sunday at the Methodist parsonage at Weldon, by Rev. S. E. Mercer was quite a surprise to the friends of the young couple here when acquainted with the fact Monday. No one here had been apprised of the contemplated step, not even the relatives of the groom. It seems that Mr. Twisdale went up Sunday to the home of the young lady, about seven miles west of Halifax, and they decided to go driving, and they did drive directly to Weldon and had the knot tied neatly and securely by Pastor Mercer.

The bride possesses many charms and has quite a large circle of friends in the county, and is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. B. Smith.

The groom is a very energetic and prosperous farmer one mile south of this place, and the youngest son of the late Mr. James H. Twisdale. We wish for the young couple the choicest blessings as they journey over life's sea.

Mrs. Irvin Clay and sons, of Clinton, are here this week as guests of Mrs. W. A. Sater.

Miss Ellen Mitchell, of Littleton, has been the guest of Miss Mary Norman several days.

Mr. Frederick Froelich went to Richmond Sunday to see his people.

Mrs. A. J. Burwell, nee Miss Susie Gilliam, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sterling Gary, several days.

Misses Grace and Mary Day Faison have returned from Raleigh.

Mrs. Wallace Patterson and little son, of Chapel Hill, are here this week to visit Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Fenner.

Miss Florence Fenner has returned from a lengthy visit to Chapel Hill.

Miss Jane Norman, of L. F. College, Littleton, is visiting her parents this week.

George Cooper, of Rocky Mount, spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hale.

Hoyle's "A Bunch of Keys."

After all is said and done nothing succeeds just exactly like success. An evidence of this old and trite reasoning is continued prosperity of Hoyle's "A Bunch of Keys," which for well nigh a quarter of a century has pursued the even tenor of its funny way, and has afforded joy and comfort to countless people who have found refreshing relief from its many sided qualities of invigorating entertainment.

In view of such a condition of profitable pleasure, it is easy to understand why increased consideration should be lavished upon the presentation of this offering for the ensuing season towards which end the strongest cast obtainable was secured and a generous outlay in the direction of scenic arrangements was involved. That these means were sufficiently employed is best attested by the cordial opinions expressed through the medium of the leading newspapers all of which incidentally proclaim the worth of Miss Effie McGill as by far the best that the role of Teddy has ever been invested with. Madry's Opera House Thursday night, Dec. 7th.

A Des Moines man had an attack of muscular rheumatism in his shoulder. A friend advised him to go to Hot Springs. That meant an expense of \$150.00 or more. He sought for a quicker and cheaper way to cure it and found it in Chamberlain's Liniment. Three days after the first application of this liniment he was well. For sale by all dealers.

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Harrison-Moore.

Whitakers, Dec. 4.—A very pretty marriage was solemnized at the residence of Elder A. J. Moore, on Wednesday morning, November 29th, when Mr. Geo. W. Harrison and Miss Ruth Moore were joined in holy wedlock in a beautiful and impressive manner by Elder Sylvester Hassell, of Williamston.

The soft light from the candelabras made the decorations of graceful ferns and flowers an appropriate scene for the two young hearts that were soon to be as one.

Just before the appointed hour a beautiful song was rendered by Mrs. G. W. Price and O. J. Moore, sister and brother of the bride. During the service "Love and Roses" was softly played by Mrs. Price.

The bride is the youngest child of her noble parents and has won many friends in this State and elsewhere by her kind and attractive manner. Never did she look more charming than on this occasion as she entered dressed in a brown traveling suit, carrying a bouquet of brides' roses.

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple left for a visit to Northern cities and will make their home in Whitakers where the groom is employed.

The presents received were numerous and handsome, indicating the high esteem in which these young people are held.

The out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Forest Taylor, of Florence, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Moore, of Scotland Neck; Mrs. J. H. Randolph, of Greenville; Miss Emma Tomlinson, of Smithfield; Messrs. Ferd and Joseph Harrison, of Scotland Neck.

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