

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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The cabinet makers are working overtime, but Mr. Wilson is doing his own thinking and signing orders as to who he is going to appoint.

Will we get a treaty with teeth from the present legislator? Mr. E. J. Justice has introduced a bill and he now has the whip in hand.

The idea of a reduction of the tariff ought to be to get a larger amount of revenue on lumber, so that we can put a less tax on the necessities of life.

Representative E. J. Justice was not in the House but a few days before he introduced an anti-trust law with teeth, also a bill for a legalized primary. The question now is will the legislature pass them?

The State electors met in Raleigh one day last week and voted for Woodrow Wilson for president and Marshall C. Vance for vice-president. Josephus Daniels was endorsed for a position in Wilson's cabinet.

The legislature passed a resolution Monday inviting President-elect Wilson, William J. Bryan and Senator LaFollette to deliver addresses before the legislature. There are big guns and they surely ought to give our legislators some good advice.

Senator H. W. Stables has introduced a bill in the State Senate calling for a constitutional convention. The question is being discussed pro and con throughout the State. One of the provisions of the bill is that the prohibition question shall not be mentioned either way.

The committee has decided to enter out the inaugural ball. This is right. We have never seen the sense of giving a big dance on such occasions in honor of the President. Mr. Wilson had already put his foot down on the dance, and we are sorry that Governor Craig did not speak out.

We believe that our present legislature ought to give the State a mild compulsory educational law. It is not consistent to say that children between a certain age shall not be allowed to work in a factory and then allow that same child to stay at home and grow up in ignorance, in many cases, because their parents do not take enough interest in the child and its education to send it to school. One or two counties in the state have tried a compulsory law and we understand it works fine.

President-elect Woodrow Wilson says that he will consider all Democrats progressive until otherwise convinced. He is everlastingly right in taking this view. It is really disgusting to hear so much talk about turning this man or that man down because he is not a "progressive" or this, that and the other. And then, worse still further, in trying to drag our Democratic President into such a fight. This kind of war is done as much to create ruptures in the party as anything else, and only for the reason that a few may hold a high position.

Commissioned New Adjutant General. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 20.—Governor Locke Craig to-day issued commissions in the North Carolina National Guard to Lawrence W. Young, of Asheville, as adjutant general, and L. B. Briston, of Statesville, as quartermaster general, both with the rank of brigadier general, and Gordon Smith, of Raleigh, as assistant adjutant general. Gordon Smith has been assistant adjutant general since the death of Adjutant General Leinster, the latter part of 1912. Quartermaster General Briston succeeds Quartermaster General Francis A. Macon, of Henderson, who has held the position for eight years.

NO NEED FOR THEM.

We are unable to see the need of eight more judicial districts for North Carolina. This addition would mean offices for eight more judges and eight more solicitors, available to be lawyers. There might be a need for say one or two extra judges to hold court in case of an extra term of court or when a regular judge is sick. We do not believe that our judges are so very much over-worked. It has been our observation that a judge goes to a county with a two weeks term of court, and the first two days will be taken up in the trial of criminal cases, and possibly two days work on the civil docket and then by reason of the fact that his Honor has allowed so many continuances, it appears that there is nothing to do and court adjourns and the judge goes home, yet he gets credit for working two long weeks which goes to make up his forty-two weeks work that is allotted for him to do during the year. Why not pass a law requiring all judges to stay in the county for the entire term of court and try the cases on the docket? When this is done we will not then hear so much talk about congested court dockets, etc.

THE OPPORTUNITY.

In an article to the merchants of Roxboro the Courier puts the question to the point as follows: "The merchants of Roxboro have the opportunity of their lives to build up big business. The parcel post gives them this opportunity. For an insignificant cost they can deliver eleven pound packages to almost every farmers family in the County, delivered right at their doors. How? Use these columns and tell them what you have to sell, and what it will cost them, use space freely and see how long it will be before your phone will be ringing almost continually by Mrs. Farmer ordering something to come out by the next morning mail. But to build up this trade, you must tell them of your wares, name prices, and these prices must compete with prices of similar goods of other towns and cities. But a miserably use of what is known today as live advertising will not accomplish it. But you say you are talking now for your own good. Yes, and for your own good. Try it, and see if we are not both benefited by the deal."

Meeting of the Sanitary Board.

The Halifax County Sanitary Board met at Halifax Monday, the 21st. The board is composed of the following: W. E. Harvey, chairman county board of commissioners; Dr. A. S. Harrison, county superintendent of public instruction, J. H. Fenner, mayor of the county seat town; Drs. J. A. Collins, of Enfield, and H. I. Clark, of Scotland Neck.

The principal business before the board was the election of the county superintendent of health for two years. Dr. J. E. Green, of We'don, who has held the office for some time, was placed in nomination and elected by a unanimous vote.

No man in the county has ever been more earnest and zealous in looking after the public health and the re-election of Dr. Green gives great satisfaction to his many Halifax county friends.—Reno News.

Death of Mr. Whit I. Cotten.

Mr. Whit L. Cotten, living near Dawsons X-Road, died suddenly last Saturday morning. Mr. Cotten had been confined to his room for several days, but seemed to be better Saturday morning and got up and dressed and as he took a seat fell dead.

Mr. Cotten was in his 73rd year and was well known to many of our readers. He was a brave Confederate soldier and at the time of his death was a member of the Buck Kitchin Camp, Confederate Veterans. Thus one by one the old soldiers and our oldest citizens are passing away.

Mr. Cotten was married to Miss Emma Bryan in the year 1865. Besides his aged wife, his immediate family consists of four children, three sons and one daughter, two brothers and three sisters. To them all we extend deep sympathy in this their hour of bereavement.

The funeral was held from his late residence Sunday afternoon and his body was laid to rest in the family burying ground near his home, and was attended by a large crowd of neighbors and friends. The burial service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Brooks, of Enfield, assisted by Rev. Mr. Duckett.

The Next Farmers Institute.

As has already been announced there will be a farmers' and women's institute held in Scotland Neck on Saturday, Jan. 25th—that is next Saturday. This simple announcement ought to be sufficient to bring out every farmer in this section, but past experience has only given a small attendance, and hence we are called upon to urge every farmer to come and be sure to bring his wife, and if they have no wife to bring their sister or somebody else's sister.

Besides the various important questions to be discussed by these lecturers, premiums will be awarded for the best loaf of bread and the best five ears of corn exhibited.

The institute for the men will be held in Madry's opera house and that for the women in the office of the Scotland Neck bank.

Come and bring somebody else with you.

Mr. J. H. Lewis Dead.

Mr. J. H. Lewis died at his residence here Tuesday night about twelve o'clock after an illness lasting only a few hours. Mr. Lewis had been in failing health for several months, but was able to be up and about and went out to his farm during the day and while sitting in his buggy suffered a stroke of paralysis and was later found in an unconscious condition and died without ever being able to speak.

Mr. Lewis was among our oldest and best known citizens and had many friends among the people he had lived so long. He was a faithful and loyal member of the Baptist church. To his family and friends we extend our heart felt sympathy, and may they all look to the God he worshipped for comfort in this sad hour of grief and sorrow.

The funeral service will take place this morning (Thursday) about half past ten o'clock and the interment will take place in the Baptist cemetery.

"The Rogary."

A new play to be produced in this city at Madry's opera house next Friday night, January 31st, is "The Rogary," from the pen of Edward E. Rose and produced by the well known theatrical managers, Messrs. Ed. W. Rowland and Edwin Clifford.

The play deals with conditions in the American home of today. To prove this a typical American family is shown. A young wife, a devoted husband, their friends and all the beautiful surroundings that wealth can secure.

Discord enters their home, no one knows whence it came, but it grows into suspicion and doubt; the household is rent and happiness is gone. Then rises the other power, a higher spiritual note which brings the discordant souls of the family back to peace and happiness. In some homes the cause has only just begun; in others misery and sorrow are always at the door.

The New Drug Store.

The fixtures for the new drug store are being put in position and they expect to open for business within the next few days. It is going to be a real pretty store.

DANGER FROM GRIPPE

Lies in That Cough and Weak, Worn-out Condition.

Grippe, pleurisy, pneumonia, these are greatly to be feared at this time of the year.

To prevent grippe from being followed by either pleurisy or pneumonia, it is important to drive the last traces of it out of the system quickly.

Our advice is to take Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron preparation without oil, and get your strength and vitality back quickly.

Mrs. A. A. Grabbit, of Strasburg, Va. says: "Grippe left me weak, run down and with a severe cough, from which I suffered four years. I tried different remedies, but nothing seemed to do me any good until I took Vinol, from which I received great benefit. My cough is almost entirely gone, and I am strong and well again, and I am glad to recommend Vinol to others who suffer as I did."

Try Vinol with the certainty that if it does not benefit you we will give back your money. P. S. For children's Eozoma, Sano Salve is guaranteed truly wonderful.

E. T. Whitehead Company Scotland Neck, N. C.

Lost or Stolen!

From my buggy while in the back of Burroughs-Pittman-Wheeler Company's on Wednesday, January 8th, one nice Lap Robe and Whip. The Robe is described as follows: On one side tiger with buck eyes, pink and red flowers, and green leaves on the other; the word "Chase" in brown across the corner. A reward of \$2.50 will be paid if delivered to Paul Cherry or left at The Commonwealth office.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is completely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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CHICHESTER PILLS

DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Add your strength for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS in Red and Gold metallic boxes, packed with French Mints, 24 and 50 c. per box. Buy your pills and ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for twenty-four years regarded as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS. TIME TRIED EVERYWHERE WORTH TESTED.

We All Have Had A Merry Christmas

AND A Happy New Year

and we extend a Special Invitation to all our customers to call at once and settle their accounts and past due notes in order that we be in shape to pay those that we owe. This applies to all parties having past due notes and accounts, and not to those whose accounts are not due.

Yours for collections, Hardy Hardware Company, "The Hardware Hustlers."

THE BIG SALE CONTINUES!

Our Great Low Price Sale will continue through next Tuesday, January 28th. If you have not already done so you ought to come right away and see the wonderful offerings we are making during this sale. In every department unusual bargains can be found. You will be surprised at the values. Anything you might need can be found, and all at a big saving. The last four days, Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, will be the best days of the sale in the way of the most goods for the least money. All winter goods must go, so come right to our store and we will treat you right. Thanking one and all, we are Yours for bargains and satisfaction.

Burroughs-Pittman-Wheeler Company, Everybody's Store. Scotland Neck, N. C.

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