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## COUNTY NEWS.

Items of Interest Gathered by Our Regular Correspondents.

### DOLENTA NEWS.

Mr. E. Jones is making an addition to his cottage.

The farmers are fairly up with their farming operations.

Mr. W. T. Adams and Willie Smith of Smithfield, were out visiting in the neighborhood Sunday.

We welcome Mr. C. T. Young and family to our neighborhood. He has many friends hereabouts, his former home.

Messrs. Walter Jordan and Ed. Boyd of Smithfield, spent Sunday in this section visiting some of Cleveland's fair sex.

Miss Lula Smith, of Raleigh, spent a few days last week in this section visiting her brothers, Messrs. G. B. and Paul Smith.

There will be services at Oakland on the fourth Sunday morning at 11 a. m. If it proves impossible to secure a preacher, prayer-meeting services will be held.

The Sunday Schools at Oakland, Shiloh, Elizabeth and Mt. Zion are in excellent working condition. They are forging ahead in the laudable work they have undertaken.

Miss Bertha Stevens, one of Smithfield's charming daughters, spent Sunday in the neighborhood visiting Miss Nellie Johnson. Miss Nellie went back with her to Smithfield to spend a few days.

Mrs. J. J. Young was on last Saturday called to the bedside of her sick son, Mr. Wm. Young, who is going to school at Clayton. Glad to report that he is not seriously sick and is improving.

If Smithfield wants the trade of this section of the community she must see to it that we have decent roads to travel over. Don't forget this when you come to vote as to whether you will tax yourselves to improve the public roads in Smithfield Township.

At Shiloh on every second Sunday morning a collection is taken up by the Sunday School for the Thomasville Orphanage. It is commendable in the Shiloh Sunday School to set apart one collection every month for such a worthy object. All should esteem it a privilege to contribute to the maintenance of this noble institution.

Mr. W. T. Johnson is making many improvements on his farm near the Shelter. He has, since he came in possession of the property, made such improvements as to wonderfully change the looks of the place for the better. He has recently purchased the Martin place, and it is his purpose at an early date to remodel the residence and make such other changes in it as will materially add to its appearance.

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### FOUR OAKS NOTES.

Mr. J. D. Parker, of Smithfield, was in town last Friday.

People of our section are preparing for large tobacco crops this season.

Several of our young men attended church at Clement Sunday.

Services were held at the Methodist church Sunday night by Rev. G. W. Fisher.

Mr. Tom Oliver, a respected citizen of this place, died of pneumonia Saturday night. He leaves a large family and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist church. His remains were interred Sunday afternoon in the cemetery at Hopewell.

REPORTER.

### SANDERS CHAPEL.

Miss Fida LeMay, of upper Johnston attended Sunday School here last Sunday.

March came in like a lamb and is furnishing the April showers. February furnished the bluster.

Mr. Charlie Stevens, of upper Wayne attended Sunday School at Sanders Chapel last Sunday.

The song birds, flower yards, fruit blooms and mild soft weather remind us that the backbone of winter is broken and the agricultural campaign for 1903 is open.

Miss Maude Powell has returned home from Baptist Center school. Miss Mary Dunn came home with her and left for home in Bentonsville via Goldsboro on the 9th. Mr. Percy Barber piloted them into this harbor.

Mrs. Lizzie Moore, of Faison, sent her year-old baby to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Holt for attention, while she went to a Richmond hospital for treatment, which we hope will be satisfactory and a speedy return to her loved ones.

Mr. C. S. Powell attended the school closing exercises at Baptist Center school near Clayton last week. He said that he had not traveled through that portion of the county in twenty years and that the improvements and changes in many places were pleasing and astounding. It was all in the stock law territory and not a dragging ramshackling gate to wade in mud to and tote around. Splendid new dwellings and outhouses, beautiful flower yards, well appointed orchards, fine stock, well improved farms all terraced and cultivated to the road's edge. Even the old landmarks, such places as the John Avera, Willis Sanders, John Tomlinson, Tom Barber and other places were dressed up and keeping pace with their younger neighbors. The roads in these communities are in splendid order and the Clayton township system will soon be a model one. They now show good results from such good engineering skill and admirable judgment in the working.

He says he does not care to make his talk shady by mentioning the miserable road from Smithfield to Mr. Will Avera's. He said in some places he felt like the boy when he met the Jack O'lantern, "he was going to be drug through a briar patch." He wishes all who are opposed to the new road law would go on an excursion over this road, i. e. if they ever returned and had any sense left.

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### MCKOY NOTES.

Mr. J. T. Lee, of Benson, spent Sunday in this section.

Mrs. W. J. Morgan who has been very sick for several weeks is slowly improving.

The spring is near and the farmers are busy preparing to plant their crops.

Miss Isabella Johnson spent Sunday visiting relatives near Johnson's Cross Roads.

Misses Azubah Lee and Georgia Wood of this community, spent Sunday visiting friends at Peacock's Cross Roads.

Misses Mary Strickland, of Dunn and Luda Dawson, of Sampson, spent Saturday night and Sunday in this community.

A pleasant time was reported by a number of our young people who attended the party at Mr. Jacky Wagstaff's on last Saturday night.

Mrs. Young Wood and her two little sons, Masters Elric and Martin, of Rockfish, Cumberland county, are spending several days visiting relatives and friends in this section.

On last Saturday night quite a number of our young people attended the closing exercises of the school at Johnson's Cross Roads taught by Miss Ida Williams, of Blackman's Mills.

ANONYMOUS.

Buck's Stoves at H. H. & B. Co.

### PENNY NOTES.

Misses Jeter Penny and Lillie Long have again visited Wilson's Mills recently.

Miss Norma Sorrell left for Clayton last Sunday afternoon where she will enter school.

Miss Ava Smith is now visiting her sister, Mrs. L. R. Branham, in the Baptist Center section.

Miss Alice E. Penny who has been teaching near Raleigh is at home again. She is delighted with teaching.

In this section the ladies have the "quilting fever" but the "cheap thimbles" are more numerous than quilts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Page and son Hugh, spent last Friday night and Saturday with friends and relatives in this section.

Miss Verna V. Penny who is attending school at Clayton spent last Friday night, Saturday and Sunday at her home.

Our same "Dunn" appeared again in this section several days ago. A Penny will "settle" a Dunn if the Dunn could be "satisfied" with a Penny.

Rev. Mr. Hall spent last Saturday night in this section and as usual delivered an excellent sermon at Shiloh on Sunday. He is much liked and loved throughout our midst.

Miss Lena Tomlinson, who has been visiting the Penny girls, returned to her home near Garner last Tuesday afternoon accompanied by Miss Elsie Penny who will spend a few days with her.

Prof. Williams, the principal of Clayton High School, delighted us with his presence last Friday night and Saturday. He made many friends who wish him much success in his school work.

Last Saturday evening was pleasantly spent at Mr. A. C. Penny's by a host of young people. After the many amusements a number of conundrums were answered, the prize being won by Mr. Walter Williams. The occasion was complimentary to Miss Lena Tomlinson.

Our public school which was taught by Miss Lillie Long closed last Friday evening with an entertainment which was a decided success. The music rendered by Miss Lena Tomlinson, Messrs. Will and Phi Tomlinson and Bythan Barbour was excellent and much appreciated by both school and audience. Miss Long has been with us two years and her pupils and friends feel sorry to know that after a few days she will leave us.

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### ARCHER DOTS.

Mr. John I. Barnes, of Clayton, was in our midst Sunday.

Miss Hattie O. Wall will leave tomorrow for Wendell, where she will enter school Wednesday.

Mr. Claude Hinnant, of Wendell, was shaking hands with friends in this section Sunday.

Mr. W. L. Stencil, our popular and efficient assistant teacher, left Saturday for Smithfield, where he will enter Turlington Institute today (Monday).

Your correspondent feels impressed to say for our people that "The Southerner" is being greatly appreciated by the readers of THE HERALD. We are always glad to get the new copy.

Rev. A. R. Flowers spent Saturday night in this community in the interest of Wendell High School of which he is principal. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Ida. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wall.

At the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna Liles, Miss Ida delightfully entertained a few friends Saturday night. Mr. Joe Eason accompanied by Misses Mary Hatcher and Estella Liles, all of Eason, arrived just at night and as usual the Archer "push" soon turned out to give them a good time. Excellent music was furnished by the Archer string and wind band. Twelve o'clock came all too soon and we went home thanking Miss Liles for the pleasure of that social occasion.

B. X.

### EARPSBORO.

Miss Ida Bunn is visiting relatives in Nash county this week. Mr. Herbert Hales, of Spring Hope, spent Sunday at his home near here.

Mr. John O'Neal and wife spent Sunday here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Chamblee.

Mr. J. P. Brown, of Spring Hope, is at home now, where he expects to spend several days.

Mr. Bernice Richardson spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents in the Corinth section.

We were glad to welcome Mr. Milton R. Stevens, of Goldsboro, in our midst last Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. C. B. and Tyre Bailey and Miss Eva High, of Kenly, passed through our section last Tuesday.

Mrs. Bernice Wood and daughter, Mrs. R. B. Brady, of Benson, visited relatives in our section last week.

Mrs. Isabella Fuller left last week for Selma, where she expects to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. T. H. Whitley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Richardson, after spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. M. F. Hales, returned to their home in Franklin county last Saturday.

After a short visit to relatives in Franklin county, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hales returned to their home near here yesterday; they were accompanied by little Myrtle Richardson.

Miss Ora Stevens who has been teaching school near here returned to her home in Goldsboro last Monday. The people in our section were very much pleased with Miss Ora and we hope she will teach for us again.

"JUMBO."

### Obituary.

Mrs. Sarah H. Rand, wife of Capt. O. R. Rand, was born in Mississippi, September 30, 1833, and died at her home in Johnston county, N. C., March 5, 1903. She was the daughter of Mr. William D. and Sarah Fort Hart, of Mississippi. She was left an orphan at the age of eight years. Soon after the death of her parents she was brought from Mississippi to North Carolina by her maternal grandfather and she grew to womanhood in Wake county.

Her education was obtained in the country schools of her neighborhood and finished by a two years course in a Methodist Seminary in Raleigh, the principal of which was Rev. Bennett Blake. She joined the Methodist Episcopal Church South at the age of fifteen years and lived an exemplary life till the day of her death.

She was married September 28, 1859. She was the mother of four boys and three girls. The three daughters and three of the sons are living to mourn her death, but they do not mourn as those who have no hope, for sister Rand was a good woman, we believe her path was that of the just, "That shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

May the bereaved husband and all the sons and daughters trust the God whom she served and meet her in heaven.

G. W. FISHER.

### In Memoriam.

At his home near Earpsboro, on February 28th, Mr. W. T. Hales entered into eternal rest. He was in the 57th year of his age. For quite a while his health had been failing and though his sufferings at times were intense, yet he was patient and uncomplaining. He realized that life was drawing to a close and said that he was ready to go. Truly has a good man gone to receive the reward of the faithful servant of Christ, and his beautiful character will ever be an inspiration to his large circle of friends. The song "Where He leads me I will follow," which he sang a short time before his death, shows that spirit of perfect trust and resignation which was his. Well may it be said of him that "he walked

with God," for in his daily life was the Christ-likeness ever shining. His kind, gentle nature and thoughtfulness for the comfort and pleasure of others, endeared him to the hearts of many. He was a consistent member of the Methodist church at Watkin's Chapel, where he will be sadly missed, as well as throughout the entire community. He was a devoted husband and father, a faithful friend, a Christian indeed and in truth. A sorrowing wife, four sons and two daughters are left to mourn their sad loss. The world is made better for his having lived, and the ennobling influence which he exerted on the lives of those with whom he came in contact, will never die. He has left the rich heritage of a life well spent and a triumphant death.

"God calls our loved ones, but we lose not wholly

What He hath given,  
They live on earth in thought and deed,  
as truly  
As in His Heaven."

F.

### ATFA NOTES.

More tobacco and less cotton will be planted in this section this year.

Mr. I. A. Barber will soon have the new addition to his house completed.

Mr. J. W. Stephenson, of Smithfield, is spending a good deal of his time in this section operating his sawmill.

We are sorry to note that Mr. Nimrod Stephenson has been quite ill for sometime. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Ira Stephenson and his sister, Miss Mattie, spent Saturday and Sunday with their sister, Mrs. W. P. Creech, near Benson.

Messrs. Walter Whittington, John A. Stephenson and R. I. Ogburn have been appointed Justices of the Peace for Pleasant Grove township by the Legislature.

Mr. Willie H. Stephenson who has been attending King's Business College at Raleigh, has been spending a few days at home on account of an attack of Lagrippe. Hope he will soon be able to return to his post of study.

K. B. C.

### ROME DOTS.

The school at Wentworth will close March 27.

Mr. Isaac Smith spent Sunday in our midst.

Mr. Robert Smith left Monday to attend Turlington Institute.

Rev. J. W. Suttle filled his regular appointment at Trinity Sunday.

Mr. Moses Lee from near Dunn visited relatives in our section Sunday.

Mr. Jos. W. Wood, our honorable representative, arrived from Raleigh Saturday.

The Wentworth Society met Friday night, March 6th and discussed the query, "Resolved that the no fence law would prove beneficial to Johnston county." The judges decided in favor of the negative.

The school taught by Miss Ida Williams closed Saturday night, March 6th. The speeches and dialogues were much enjoyed as was also the splendid music made by Messrs. Fraud and Preston Tart and B. Blackman. The children all spoke their pieces well. The entertainment given speaks well for their teacher. After the exercises an address was delivered by Mr. W. A. Stewart, of Dunn, who spoke on the subject, "Night." The address was very highly appreciated by those who were present.

RENO.

### Working Overtime.

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### School Close.

The school taught by Miss Eula Whitley at Hatcher's School House in Beulah township, closed Saturday night February 28.

A nice programme had been arranged consisting of recitations and dialogues interspersed with music. The dialogues, Aunt Patience Ear Trumpet, Sudden Betrothal, and a Rumpus on Gingerbread Hill were very good and showed that the actors had received excellent training.

We would like to give a list of all who recited, for all were good, but for fear of occupying too much space, can only give the following:

Zettie Hatcher—Aunt Patience Doughnuts; Hardy Bailey—Our Possum Hunt; Marcie Morgan—Inventors Wife; Katie Bailey—Bridge of Truth; Ira Hatcher—Shakin Agurs; Nancy Price—Mrs. Masons Boarders; Eddie Morgan—A Moving Sermon; Edna Price—An Old Back Woodsy Wedding; Eddie Hatcher—Uncle Joel on Peddlers; Minnie Hatcher—Bidy's Troubles; Lucian Phillips—The Greatest Walk on Record.

A VISITOR.

### At Rest.

Mrs. Penninah F. Phillips, wife of W. D. Phillips, Esq., departed this life at her home in Boon Hill township, January 7, 1903. Mrs. Phillips was 42 years old. She left at the time an infant a few hours old which lived five days and then joined its mother in the sweet beyond.

Mrs. Phillips left three children, a husband and a host of relatives and friends. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist church having connected with that body of Christians at Beulah in 1890.

Mrs. Phillips was a noble Christian woman, an affectionate and kind wife and was charitable in her views and dealings. She was ready to go when the white winged messenger came and her face all aglow with an angelic smile, as good as to say, husband and children I regret to leave you but I am summoned up higher and must go.

There is no death.

Our loved ones fall to rise upon some fairer shore,  
In Heavens bright jeweled crown,  
They will shine forever more.

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### Married.

On Wednesday, February 18, 1903, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rowland, of Wilson, N. C., Mr. L. R. Martin, of Polenta and Miss Eleanor Rowland were happily married, Mr. Wood officiating. After congratulations the contracting parties were invited to the dining room where they enjoyed a hearty dinner, after which they boarded the 3 o'clock train for Smithfield where they were met by a host of relatives and friends who accompanied them to the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. J. M. Martin, where a sumptuous supper awaited them. After partaking of as much of the good things as they desired the guests returned to their homes, wishing the newly married couple much success in their future life. We wish for them a long prosperous happy life.

A REPORTER.

Oats make a good feed to develop bone and muscle, but they are not a good fattening food.

### Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well. Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Cold and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by Hood Bros. Druggists. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial Bottles free.