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## POLENTA NEWS.

At present there is very little sickness in this section.

Some of our farmers have commenced fallowing land and otherwise making preparations for another crop.

After spending several days with parents, Mrs. W. T. Adams returned to her home in Smithfield Sunday evening.

We learn that over in Pleasant Grove (western part of it.) that small pox has broken out. Seven or eight people are reported to be sick with the disease.

Don't forget the farmers meeting at Polenta academy next Saturday, Feb. 4th, at 2 p. m. Let us all turn out and work for the bettering of our condition.

The seven-year-old daughter of Mrs. Jno. Cannady, of Elevation township, died Sunday and was buried Monday evening. Diphtheria caused the little one's death.

Considerable excitement was caused in the neighborhood last Friday evening by the runaway of Mr. C. T. Young's horse. The horse was hitched to a buggy in which were seated three ladies, Mrs. Susan Tomlinson, Mrs. C. T. Young and Miss Mildred Young, the latter being the driver. Everything went on nicely until Dr. E. N. Booker's residence was passed. Just as the party was going down the hill east of Dr. Booker's the horse took fright and made a dash, and although kept in the road, could not be stopped, but ran faster and faster. As they passed the store of Mr. J. O. Ellington, Mr. D. T. Smith ran out and made a desperate effort to stop the horse, but to no avail, the horse dashed over him knocking him down breaking his collar bone, but continued on in his mad rush undisturbed until Mr. J. W. Myatt's was reached, when Mr. Myatt and a colored man managed to stop him, not however, until Mrs. C. T. Young had leaped from the buggy, being considerably bruised by the leap.

During all this excitement Miss Mildred Young held on to the reins finely and guided the horse in the road. She is to be commended for her bravery and forethought. Dr. Booker was called to Mr. Smith and rendered the necessary medical aid, but as a result of the runaway Mr. Smith will have to carry one of his arms in a sling for at least six weeks. Let us be thankful that no more damage was done than was.

Feb. 1. TYPO.

## A Dormitory Party.

There is still something new under the sun as shown by the first of a series of unique entertainments given Friday night, arranged for the pleasure of the students of Clayton High School, which for lack of a better name are styled "Dormitory Parties."

These affairs are to be given once a month under the direction of the school, the teachers being present and taking an active part. The gathering last Friday night was entirely informal, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. About thirty persons were invited, and spent two hours at the Dormitory. During the time, an amusing game known as "The things found on a cent" was played. The whole party, arranged in twos, sought for the twenty-nine answers to be found by examining a penny.

At 10 o'clock fruits and confections were served, and as a "piece de resistance," a tablet of Pepsin gum was given to each guest as the leave taking was in progress.

UNUS EORUM.

## Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food—or money back. 25c. at Hood Bros. drug store. Try them.

## CLAYTON NOTES.

Mr. M. F. Hood and Allen have moved to the country.

Mr. J. Coy Pool, of near Auburn, spent Sunday here.

Mr. John Estridge, of the Archer section, spent Sunday here.

Rev. G. W. Fisher spent Monday and Tuesday in the neighborhood of Elizabeth church.

Mr. Arthur and Miss Vallie Blanchard spent Saturday and Sunday in Cary with relatives.

Mrs. M. G. Guley is in Durham where she was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. S. R. Guley.

Messrs. W. E. Stallings & Co have a great auction "ad" in this issue. It might be to your interest to read it.

Mrs. Jane Hinnant has moved to the house vacanted by Mr. M. Harris. We are pleased to have Mrs. Hinnant and her family as neighbors.

Wm. Klivansky, the Jew, has moved his stock of goods to Raleigh, and Joseph Milad has taken the store formerly occupied by the Jew.

Miss Ione Guley, who is attending the Baptist University, is spending a few days at home, accompanied by her school-mate, Miss Ella Brady.

Some of our people attended the temperance convention at Smithfield Monday. A very enthusiastic Anti-Saloon League is in progress here.

Mrs. C. W. Carter and Miss Mary spent last Saturday in Raleigh. Mrs. Carter has arranged for Mary to take music and elocution there each Saturday.

We learn with pleasure that our esteemed townsman, Mr. J. J. Ferrell, who for some time has been in the State Hospital at Raleigh, is improving more rapidly than was at first expected by the superintendent.

At a mass meeting of the citizens last Monday afternoon, the committee appointed at a former meeting to recommend cheaper means of working the Clayton township roads, offered recommendations in substance as follows: That this meeting appoint three men who are to be known as commissioners of Clayton Roads, one of which shall be chairman whose duties shall be to keep the books of the Clayton convict camp, to go over the roads at least once a week and shall receive as compensation \$15.00 per month. The other two commissioners are to go over the roads at least once a month and report to the chairman, and shall receive as compensation \$1.00 per month. The chairman is to submit this report to the county commissioners and if it meets with their approval, he is to have same drawn up in a bill to present to Legislature for enactment.

Feb. 1. YELIR.

## Allow No Discouragement.

The publication of the statement from our Senator and Representatives should not discourage any voter from signing a petition nor any temperance man from pushing the petition work. The people of the county either want a change or they do not. If enough of them will petition we think it will amount to a new instruction to our Senator and Representatives. It is the part of the temperance people to let every voter have an opportunity to sign a petition and when that is done we can see how the matter stands.

## Agonizing Burns

are instantly relieved, and perfectly healed, by Bucklen's Arnica Salve. C. Rivenbark, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., writes: "I burnt my knee dreadfully; that it blistered all over. Bucklen's Arnica Salve stopped the pain, and healed it without a scar." Also heals all wounds and sores. 25c. at Hood Bros., druggists.

## SELMA NEWS.

Messrs. C. W. Richardson and Robert Millard Nowell went to Clayton Sunday.

Our enterprising grocer, W. B. Driver, has bought a new delivery wagon with which to serve his large and rapidly increasing trade.

A tank at the Chemical Works which holds about 20,000 gallons of water fell last Saturday night. The foundations gave way. It was a total loss.

Mr. J. H. Lane has sold his residence to Robert Millard Nowell and his store to Charlie Talton, and moved back to Wayne county. Sorry to lose him for he made us a good citizen.

Walter Sanders, a colored man working at the oil mills tried to put on a belt with his foot Monday morning. The belt caught his foot in it and tore his leg off about his knee. Dr. Noble amputated it but he died soon after.

Mr. Henry L. Watson, who has been visiting Dr. R. J. Noble left for Murfreesboro, where he will visit Hon. John C. Scarborough. Mr. Watson has nearly lost his eyesight, from cataracts. It will be nearly a year before he can be operated on.

Mr. H. B. Hardy, agent for the News and Observer, was in town last Saturday. He says the cause of the News and Observer's being so late is by the mail clerks at the Postoffice in Raleigh putting the papers in the wrong pouch, sending them west. He says it has been investigated and they say "it was just a mistake." Now, this mistake occurs too often and as a certain citizen of Smithfield once said it is getting "bonotonous" and we hope the Raleigh Postmaster will look after it and secure clerks who are more attentive to business.

A very distressing accident occurred near here Wednesday which resulted in the death of Charlie, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. George H. Morgan. It seems that Charlie and an older brother were out shooting birds with a flobert rifle. They had killed several when Charlie tried to shoot another but it flew away, after Charlie had cocked the rifle. He then handed it to his brother who did not notice that it was cocked and with his fingers on the trigger was trying to get a shot at another bird when to his horror the rifle went off the ball striking Charlie behind the right ear. Dr. Person was called and did all could be done but it caused his death in about five hours. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of our people.

SENEX.

February 22nd, Washington's Birth-day, will be celebrated by the Graduating Class of the Clayton High School by presenting a Temperance Drama entitled "Out in the Streets." The cast of character is as follows: Messrs. Oscar Creech as Colonel Wayne; Douglas Ellington as Solomon Davis; Guy Wilson as Son of Solomon Davis; Thurman Smith as Dr. Medfield; Kenneth Ellington as Pete; Norman Cable as Policeman; Misses Mattie Guley as Mrs. Wayne; Mina Blanchard as Mina Wayne; Ruby Ellis as Mrs. Bradford; Cleo Ellis as Mrs. Bradford's daughter.

The play is full of fine action, and many exciting episodes are developed in connection with principal characters. The players have entered very heartily into the spirit of the production, and the public will be well repaid for their trouble in seeing the play. The proceeds of the play go to defray the expenses of the Graduating Class, at the annual commencement in June.

We hope that the class may have a hearty greeting in their dramatic roles, and they that they may realize a handsome sum to cover the incidental expenses of their graduating exercises.

## REASSURED BY CZAR.

Delegation of Workmen Received in Royal Palace.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 1.—Personal assurances of his intention to ameliorate the conditions and remove the causes, in so far as they are economic, which led to the recent strike, were delivered by Emperor Nicholas to-day to workmen representing all the leading factories of St. Petersburg, who at his invitation, journeyed to Tsarskoe Selo and were received in audience in the hall of the Alexander Palace, where he has his winter residence. This interview face to face with their "Little Father," in whom their faith has not been shaken by the events of the bloody Sunday of January 22nd, has had a far greater and more reassuring effect than any number of proclamations by ministers and governor generals, and the workmen of St. Petersburg are now generally inclined to accept the promises of Gov. Gan, Trepoff and Finance Minister Kekovsoff at their face value. A gift by the imperial family of \$25,000 to aid the families of the victims of the conflict on January 22nd also has had an excellent effect; and as the news slowly permeates the laboring classes of Russia it is expected it will make them content to wait for the promised reforms.

A Statement by Our Representatives in the General Assembly.

We, the undersigned Johnston County members of the General Assembly, are informed that petitions are being circulated and signed in our county asking the General Assembly to enact a prohibition law for the county.

As representatives of the county and people we do not venture to make suggestions regarding the above matter. We know it is our sacred duty to bow to the mandates of a majority of the qualified voters of the county—especially of the party that elected us.

We hold consistency to be one of the highest virtues, and in order to put ourselves before our people in a true light, we beg leave to call attention to the following resolution which was adopted by the last Democratic County Convention:

"Resolved: That our Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly are instructed not to allow local legislation affecting the rights and privileges of the people of Johnston County to pass said General Assembly without causing to be attached thereto (if possible) a section providing that such legislation shall be submitted to a vote of the people," etc.

We understand this resolution as binding us to submit ("if possible") local legislation to a vote of the people and so promised the people in the campaign over the county. The legislation to be asked though applying to the whole county will be regarded by many as "local."

In justice to ourselves we have made above statements.

J. A. T. JONES, SENATOR.  
J. P. CANADAY, H. R.  
ROM H. GOWER, H. R.

## Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight, to tell, that when your stomach and liver are badly affected, grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened, and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters, I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by Hood Bros., druggists, at 50c. a bottle.

Yancey Strickland, colored, convicted of burglary in the second degree in three cases, in New Hanover Superior Court, last June was sentenced to ninety-nine years in the penitentiary.

## KENLY NEWS.

Mr. J. W. Darden made a business trip to Raleigh Friday.

Miss Ora Hooks visited friends in Selma Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. H. F. Edgerton made a business trip to Smithfield Tuesday.

Mr. Frank Freeman, from near Taylor, spent Sunday here with his sister, Miss Fannie Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Darden attended church in Wayne county Sunday at Nahunta Friends Church.

Mr. Z. T. Featherstone, of Danville, Va., salesman for the Lynchburg Shoe Co., visited friends here Sunday.

Miss Omie Britt, who is teaching school near Moore's School House, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Passie Harris, music teacher of the Turlington Graded School, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here.

Miss Lillian Ayres, of Nichols, S. C., came Tuesday to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. R. T. Renfrow, who is very sick.

Rev. P. B. Law, of Lumber Bridge, came Saturday to assist the pastor, Rev. E. W. Souders, in the revival meeting which he is conducting at the Presbyterian church this week.

Misses Lizzie Tomlinson and Elizabeth Sneed, from near Smithfield, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John G. High as the guests of Miss Fannie Freeman.

The Hickory Cross Public School House, about four miles from here, was burned last Thursday evening. Soon after school closed, Mr. Radford, who was at work near by noticed much smoke over the house, and upon going near found the top of the house in a big blaze. He at once gave the alarm, but before help came the fire was beyond control and nothing could be saved—even most of the children's books were lost. It was supposed to have caught from the stove flue.

Feb. 1st. EEX.

## Elevation Farmers Meet.

Mr. Editor: The citizens of Elevation township held a meeting at Elevation last Saturday for the purpose of organizing a (Township) Farmers' and Business Men's Protective Association.

The meeting, while not so large as was desired, was fairly represented by all sections of the township by the most intelligent men of our section. The township was organized by electing Josephus Johnson president; George W. Johnson, secretary; J. H. Smith, assistant secretary. A motion was made to have one executive committee man for each white school district in the township. Motion carried, and the following named were appointed by the President:

1st District, J. Willis Creech,  
2nd " L. E. Stancil,  
3rd " J. S. Johnson,  
4th " " "  
5th " Frank Honeycutt,  
6th " J. H. Smith,  
7th " John E. Hobbs,  
8th " M. C. Barbour,  
9th " Willis C. Lassiter.

The committee was instructed to see every man in each district and get him to join with the Association and help us to protect each other and our section against the gamblers and speculators, who are crushing the farmers and laboring men of all sections of our country, and to hold their cotton for better prices, reduce the acreage of the present year's crop at least 33 1/2 percent., and report at the next meeting (first Saturday in March.) A more determined set of men never met at Elevation, apparently. Mr. Editor, this is a cotton growing section, and we have the cotton, and a big majority of those who have cotton can hold it as long as they please—for cotton is not all that they have. There is more corn and meat in this section than ever known before.

Jan. 30th. J. H. SMITH.

## LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Some of the Important Matters Before the General Assembly. Condensed From Reports in the Daily Papers.

The House Committee on Judiciary of the General Assembly by a unanimous vote Friday afternoon favorably reported a bill prohibiting "bucket shops" from operating in the state under fine or imprisonment in the discretion of the court. The bill reported conforms to the Missouri law and a letter from Governor Folk commends it as being effective and as not hurting legitimate interests. The bill was introduced by Mr. Stewart, of Harnett.

James R. Young was Saturday appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, as Insurance Commissioner for the State, succeeding himself.

The General Assembly Saturday adopted a joint resolution, asking the representatives of the State in Congress to vote for the passage of the Hepburn-Dooliver bill, prohibiting the Inler-State shipping of whiskey into prohibition territory.

A bill introduced in the House Saturday relative to assessment of real estate belonging to railroads in stock law territory in Johnston county was presented by Canaday instead of Mr. Gower as was reported.

Mr. Canaday worked two weeks on the bill and wants the credit for it. The same is herewith cheerfully accorded.

"Did you ever see two men nearer alike than Gower and Canaday?" asked one member of another yesterday. "Half the time," said he, "I mix one with the other. They look alike, dress alike, talk alike, and are clever fellows alike." And the strangest of it all is, both of these gentlemen are representatives from Johnston county. They are not related by blood or marriage but are the most intimate of friends and would be taken for twins anywhere.

No wonder their bills get mixed.—News and Observer.

## Push the Petitions.

We suppose it is now generally understood that petitions are being circulated by which the voters ask the legislature to pass a law forbidding the manufacture and sale of liquors in the county. This would knock out every dispensary in the county. Petitions have been returned with names of about fifteen hundred voters. The work in some townships is nearly completed while in other townships it is just begun. There will not be a failure in getting a majority of the names if the work is continued. The work must be done by the people of each township. The temperance people will have to take some time and do the work. Now is the time. Don't neglect it a day until you know that every man in your township has had an opportunity to sign a petition or to refuse. With the proper effort we shall succeed, otherwise we may not. Push the petitions and do the work at once. As soon as a petition is completed mail it to me.

J. M. BEATY,  
Chairman County Anti-Saloon League Committee,  
Smithfield, N. C.

## Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit, through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing disease, for over 35 years. A sure protection, to you, is our name on the wrapper. Look for it, on all Dr. King's, or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & CO., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada.