

BENSON NEWS.

Mr. R. F. Smith made a business trip to Durham last Tuesday.

Mr. E. J. D. Boykin will erect a nice brick hotel on his vacant lot on Main street soon.

Rev. W. G. Hall preached a most interesting sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night.

The Methodist and Baptist Sunday schools here will each give a Christmas tree entertainment on Christmas night.

Mr. R. J. Baucom, of Marvin, after spending several days here with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whittenton returned home last Monday.

Rev. P. D. Woodall after spending several days here with relatives and friends returned to his home in Murfreesboro last Monday.

Solon.

ARCHER LODGE NEWS.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mr. W. R. Carroll.

Miss Rena Pearce, of Wakefield, is visiting here this week.

Mr. John I. Barnes, of Clayton, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. J. W. Barnes.

North Carolina Day Exercises will be held at the Holder School House December 22nd. Every one invited.

The recently installed boiler of Mr. J. W. Barnes exploded Friday. Fortunately no one was hurt. The damage was estimated at one hundred dollars.

The funeral of Miss Annie Eason, deceased, was preached at White Oak Sunday by her pastor, Rev. A. A. Pippin. The house was crowded to pay their last acts of respect and devotion to their deceased friend.

Dec. 12th. S. L. W.

KENLY NOTES

Mr. J. R. Sauls spent Sunday in Smithfield.

Mr. Eugene Mason made a trip to Smithfield Monday.

Mr. C. W. Edgerton is attending court in Smithfield this week.

Messrs. James and Eddie Richardson, of near Sutton, spent Wednesday and Thursday here with their sister, Mrs. W. T. Bailey.

A Sunday School was recently organized at the Free Will Baptist church, here, with Mr. D. B. Sasser superintendent and Miss Ora Hooks secretary. The hour for meeting is 2:30 P. M. every Sunday. It is being well attended and bids fair to be a very large Sunday school.

The annual Christmas Concert and Musicales of the Primary, Intermediate and Music Departments of Kenly Academy will be given at the Academy Thursday night, December 21st, beginning at 7:30 P. M. A good programme is being arranged and the public is cordially invited.

Dec. 13th. "REX."

\$100,000 to Schools.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction to-day made the apportionment of the first \$100,000 appropriated for the public schools by the Legislature. The money will be obtainable in January.

There are 469,946 white children, 225,069 colored, and 1,947 Croatans, total 696,962. The number of children divided into \$100,000 gave the per capita apportionment as .14348. The number of children in each county was multiplied by this decimal and that amount given the county respectively.—Raleigh Times, 13th.

Judge Ward Sends Them to Jail.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 9.—Judge Ward threw a bomb shell into the camp of the whiskey sellers this morning. During the week there had been a number of convictions and the prisoners were ordered into the custody of the sheriff for sentence later. Today about noon the judge began to call for those convicted. Every man and woman of the convicted were sent to prison. Some went to jail with heavy fines, others went to roads with fines for good long term. But every one had to go to prison.

WANTED—A man with experience to take charge of a four-horse farm. Will pay a good salary. I furnish comfortable house.

W. M. SANDERS, Smithfield, N. C. Dec. 14.

Died in Dishonor.

The death of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, is rather pathetic. There was a cloud in his early life. It is said that his real name was John Hipple and that he deserted a wife and children in Pennsylvania when he first went to the West, where he took the name of John H. Mitchell. He married again and it is said made provisions for his first wife, which, however, did not excuse the desertion. Mitchell was very popular in Oregon, being elected to the United States Senate four times, besides holding other offices. But in his old age he became involved in land frauds against the government. Last summer he was convicted in the Federal Court in Oregon and appealed to the United States Supreme Court. The case had not been heard in the Supreme Court and the action abates with his death.

It is customary in the Senate when a member dies to formally announce his death in open session, the Senate adjourns in honor of the deceased, a delegation composed of members of the Senate and House attend the funeral, and later formal eulogies are delivered. But on account of Mitchell's conviction of fraud in the courts no notice will be taken of his death, the first time that the Senate has failed to offer the customary honors to a deceased member. The man who had been in public life for nearly a half century—he was first elected to the Senate in 1872—goes to his grave dishonored and leaves a dishonored name as a heritage to his children. The lesson is a severe one and it is a lesson that needs to be taken to heart by public men and by all men in these days of greed and graft. What profit now is all Mitchell's honors? Whatever of public service he may have rendered, whatever honor may have been due him in the past, is all blotted out. The death of Mitchell will add a Democrat to the Senate. His term would have expired in March, 1907, and as the Legislature of Oregon does not meet until January, 1907, Gov. Chamberlain, who is a Democrat, will appoint a Democrat to serve until the Legislature meets.—Statesville Landmark.

The Breeding Stone.

There was a curious superstition which prevailed in Essex half a century ago. It was believed that certain stones possessed the power of breeding other stones. I remember being taken by a man of the upper laboring class to see a well known breeding stone which lay on the sward by the side of a lane in the parish of South Weald, near Brentwood. It was seemingly a water worn block of sandstone or possibly, I have since thought, of pudding stone, which would explain a great deal.

It was larger than a man's head, with a cup shaped cavity the size of a small orange, in which lay a pebble about as big as an acorn. I was told that this pebble continually grew larger and that if it were removed the breeding stone would begin to breed another. It was evident that the man firmly believed what he told me, and he got quite angry when I ventured to cast a doubt upon the story.—Notes and Queries.

A Daring Deed.

While the mutinous sepoys were attacking General Wheeler's intrenchments at Cawnpur a shot from their batteries blew up the contents of a two wheeled cart loaded with cartridges. It also set fire to the woodwork of the cart, which was standing in the place where the English ammunition was stored. Both the mutineers and the English saw that if the fire was not extinguished there would soon be a most disastrous explosion. The sepoy batteries therefore poured in a deadly stream of round shot to prevent the English from putting out the flames. A young Lieutenant, Delaforse, unmoved by the concentrated fire of shot, threw himself under the blazing carriage tore away the burning wood with his hands and, throwing earth upon the blazing brands, stifled the fire before it could spread to the ammunition. He escaped the rain of bullets is incomprehensible.

FARMS FOR RENT.

I have at the White Oak plantation in Clayton township several one or two horse farms for rent. These farms may be rented for standing rents or for a part of the crops.

W. M. SANDERS, Smithfield, N. C. Dec. 14.

THE HERALD and The Progressive Farmer, both one year for \$1.75.

Buy your Christmas Goods at J. R. LEDBETTER'S.

MARE AND MULE FOR SALE.

I have a fine buggy mare and one good mule, that I will sell cheap.

N. W. SMITH, R. F. D. No. 1, Four Oaks, N. C.

ONLY GUARANTEED CATARRH CURE.

"Hyomei Costs You Nothing if it Fails," Say Hood Bros.

Among the many medicines upon the market that claim to cure catarrh none but Hyomei has enough faith in its own merit to offer to refund the money if it does not cure.

This scientific remedy for catarrh kills the microbes and germs of the disease and from its introduction has been sold under a positive guarantee to return the money to all dissatisfied customers.

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The complete outfit cost \$1.00 and comprises an inhaler, a bottle of Hyomei and a dropper. The inhaler will last a lifetime, and additional bottles of Hyomei can be obtained for 50 cents.

Breathe Hyomei for a few minutes four times a day, and your catarrh will grow better from the first day's use, and will be completely cured within a short time.

Do not try to cure catarrh with ordinary stomach medicines. Breathe the healing Hyomei which goes to every part of the air passages and respiratory organs, killing the catarrh germs and preventing their growth.

It is the only treatment for catarrh where you can get your money back from a local dealer Hood Bros in case it does not help.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES, 1905-6

To all points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers, viz:

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.
Tickets for the public will be sold at one and one third fares plus twenty-five cents for the round trip on December 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, 1905, and January 1st, 1906, final return limit January 4th.

Tickets for STUDENTS and TEACHERS will be on sale from December 17th to 24th inclusive, with final return limit to January 8th, 1906, upon presentation and surrender of certificate signed by Superintendent, Principals or Presidents of the various colleges. For further information, call on your nearest ticket Agent or write

W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

Christmas Holiday Excursion Rates Via Southern Railway.

For the Christmas holidays the Southern Railway announces sale of round trip tickets to all points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers.

Rate—One and one third first class standard one way fares, plus 25 cents for the round trip, minimum fare 50 cents.

Dates of sale and limit—December 22, 23, 24, 25, and 30, 31 and January 1, with final limit January 4, 1906.

HOLIDAY RATES FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS.

Tickets will also be sold to teachers and students of universities, colleges, and seminaries on presentation and surrender of certificates signed by the superintendent, principal or president thereof, on December 17 to 24 inclusive, with final return limit January 8th, 1906, at rate of one and one-third first class fares plus 25 cents for the round trip.

In addition to above, following will be effective to territory mentioned:

To all points in eastern committee territory of the Western Passenger Association and to all points on the line Illinois Central Railroad north of the Ohio river and points west thereof, tickets will be sold December 21, 22, and 23; to points in Central Passenger Association territory east of the line of the Illinois Central Railroad, Evansville to Chicago via Matton, December 23, only, tickets limited to continuous passage in each direction with final limit 30 days from date of sale.

For full particulars call on any agent Southern Railway, or address

T. E. GREEN, C. T. A., Raleigh, N. C.

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NOTICE.

I have for sale a farm of 450 acres of land, well timbered in range of Saw Mills and Rafting. Good clay upland adapted to farming. Good houses and barns and good pasture for hogs and cattle. Will sell the whole to any party that likes. Will not sell part.

DAN U. OLIVER, Pine Level, N. C.

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Bang shells are the best. Cotter-Stevens Co.

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Just received at W. G. Yelvington's, a line of Brown's hand made fine shoes for men and boys, in patent colt and box calf. Call and see them if you wish to buy a nice dress shoe.

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Visiting Cards and Wedding Invitations—printed or engraved—call at HERALD office.

Have you any good notes you want the money for? If so, see me. I am in that kind of business. J. G. Layton, Dunn, N. C.

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SALE OF LAND.

On Wednesday, the 3rd of January, 1906, at 2 o'clock, p. m., in the town of Clayton, N. C. I will offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder at public auction, a tract of 200 acres of land 1 1/2 miles from Clayton, and known as a part of the B. H. Yelvington lands. This the 2nd of December, 1905.

MRS. GERTRUDE Y. COX, Mount Olive, N. C.

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75 single barrel guns at popular prices. Cotter-Stevens Co.

Sixteen head of Tennessee mules now for sale by The Austin-Stephenson Co.

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Turner's Almanac for 1906 free at THE HERALD office—Only condition that you pay up your subscription to next fall, not next spring but next fall. Or will be sold at 10 cents per copy.

WAGONS—A full car of Tennessee and Old Hickory Wagons now for sale by The Austin-Stephenson Co.

Yelvington's millinery store is the place to buy nice dress lots cheap. a large stock to select from.

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Minks and other hides wanted by Davis Brothers. Highest prices paid for them.

The Austin-Stephenson Co. has some second hand wagons and buggies they will sell you cheap.

For any kind of merchandise see The Austin-Stephenson Co. before buying.

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Why do you buy shoes at advanced prices, when you can buy them at W. G. Yelvington's store, at the old price? Large stock to select from.

NOTICE.

A dark heifer has either strayed or been stolen from me. Mark: swallow fork in right ear, crop off left, with split under bottom. Suitable reward for her.

W. R. BRANNAN, R. F. D. No. 1, Selma, N. C.

Turner's Almanacs for 1906 for sale at HERALD office at 10 cents each.

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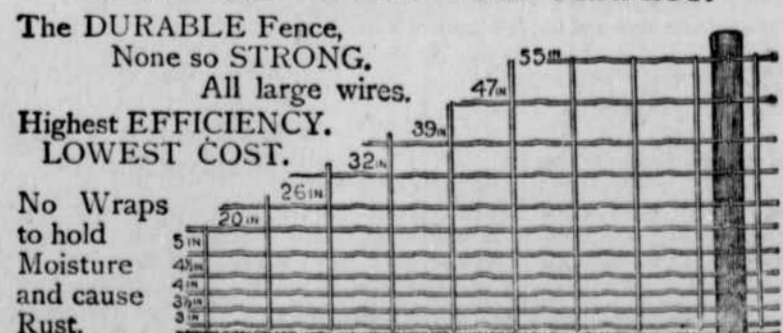
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