

Local Items

Concerning the People, Business and Progress of the Town and County

Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Abell left Tuesday afternoon to spend several days with relatives in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. F. Eugene Hester, a rising young attorney of Wendell, was here Wednesday on professional business.

Mr. N. B. Stevens, who lives near Smithfield, killed a hog last week which weighed 428 pounds. It was 2 years old.

Rev. C. A. Jenkins, of Clayton, will preach at the Baptist church here next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at seven at night.

Mr. Seth Myatt, bookkeeper for the Liggett-Myers Tobacco Company, of Durham, who was called home last Friday on account of the fatal illness of his sister, Mrs. N. T. Holland, has returned to his post of duty.

The first installment of the "Annual Statement of the Board County Commissioners" appears in this issue of The Herald. This is interesting reading to the people of the County, as it tells them how the public funds are spent. Another installment will appear next week.

We are requested to state that the protracted meeting at the Methodist church, which was announced to begin next Sunday, has been postponed on account of the uncertainty of the weather at this season of the year. The meeting will be held later, the date being announced in due time.

Mr. Walter Grantham returned yesterday from Salisbury, where he went to attend the marriage of his brother, Mr. Hiram Grantham, of Red Springs, to Miss Emma Brown, of Salisbury. The marriage took place in the Presbyterian church Wednesday night after which the happy couple boarded a south-bound train for "The Land of Flowers."

Mr. W. E. Mudgett, who has had charge of the Elmview hotel for two years, left this week for Mebane, N. C. He has bought a farm near that place and goes there to take charge of it and improve it. Mr. F. M. Kilpatrick, who succeeds Mr. Mudgett, has had experience in the hotel business and we bespeak success for him in his connection with the Elmview.

Mr. Benj. Casey, who lives near here, is a farmer who believes in raising his hog and hominy. He killed nine hogs one day this week that weighed 2466 pounds. One of these, less than two years old, tipped the scales at 483 pounds, while the other eight, about one year old each, weighed 1983 pounds. Mr. Casey had already killed enough meat for his own use.

Largest Beef Killed in Smithfield.

On last Wednesday Mr. F. H. Parish killed the largest beef ever killed in Smithfield so far as we know. He was fat and weighed 785 pounds dressed.

Negro Woman Mourned for Her Child

A negro child was burned so badly at Selma a few days ago that it died and was buried in the colored cemetery here last Monday. That night the mother, whose name is Sanders, went to the grave to mourn for her child. At ten o'clock, notwithstanding the severe cold, she was there uttering cries of lamentation.

Hookworm Crusade Advances—Many People Treated.

In spite of the severe weather for the past few days, more than a hundred people have been seen at the State and County Hookworm Dispensaries at different points in the County. Interest is growing rapidly and the microscope is kept busy examining the large numbers that come.

About one-half of all examined so far at the dispensaries were found to have the disease. The infection is very heavy in many cases. A few have been too weak to attend school at all this session.

Hookworms are sapping the vitality and blasting the lives of hundreds of our people. In many instances they cause not only physical suffering, but misery and distress from the poverty which they breed.

Every person in the County can take advantage of this opportunity of free examination and treatment within the next few days. The dispensaries will close February 10th.

The dispensaries are now open at P. section on Tuesdays; Smithfield, on Wednesdays; Benson on Thursdays; Clayton on Fridays; and on Saturdays.

SOLD ON ITS MERITS.

As publishers of The Herald, it is our chief desire to give the people a good, reliable newspaper. We appreciate any and everything done to help us along and many have rendered us good help by giving us their subscriptions and advertising and job work. While we get this help and appreciate it, still our aim is to give value received. We want the people to feel that it pays to patronize us. We could not ask for patronage unless we merit it.

The Herald is the oldest paper in the county, but we could not ask that it be taken solely on the ground of its being a county paper.

The Herald is Democratic, but we could not ask a Democrat to take it unless we give him a good paper.

Our idea is to run The Herald on its merits. We believe in an open field and a fair fight for every man and every business and every institution.

We do not run The Herald in connection with any store or hotel or blacksmith shop or any livery business or anything of this kind.

We are not in the piano or furniture business and do not try to sell these goods for any particular person, except through their regular advertisements in our columns.

We know our girls are pretty and popular, but we are not trying to decide which one of them is the most popular.

We sell The Smithfield Herald for a dollar a year and cannot afford to cut the price on it or on advertising, nor can we afford to give premiums. Remember, we sell it on its merits, and will give you a paper worth the money we ask for it.

New Grocery Firm.

Messrs. D. H. Jones and John C. Ennis have formed a partnership and will open this week a new grocery store in Smithfield, occupying the building on Third street just vacated by the Butler Bargain House. The firm will be Jones & Ennis and they will carry an up-to-date line of staple and fancy groceries, feedstuffs and other goods in this line. Both members of the firm are well known in this section and we bespeak for them a liberal share of the patronage of the public.

Appointments.

Rev. J. W. Smith has planned to begin a series of meetings at Carter's Chapel Baptist church the 4th Sunday in this month. He expects to preach there that day, morning and night. Rev. Thomas J. Hood of Wayne county, has promised to aid him in the meeting, which is expected to continue through the first Sunday in February.

Rev. R. W. Horrell expects to preach at Sardis church the third Sunday at 11 o'clock and Sunday afternoon and night at Pine Level.

A Prolific Gourd Vine.

Mr. F. P. Whitley, of the Sanders Chapel section, was in to see us yesterday and presented us with a crooked neck gourd. Mr. Whitley says that a gourd vine came up last spring near his kitchen door and grew vigorously. It was a very prolific vine and bore 120 gourds which matured, of an average size of one quart each. This is growing gourds some.

New Firm at Benson.

The Parrish-Godwin Company, of Benson, was granted letters of incorporation by the Secretary of State this week, the incorporators being Mr. Alonzo Parrish, Mr. J. H. Godwin and Dr. G. A. Hood. The authorized capital is fifty thousand dollars. The new concern will deal in general merchandise, vehicles, fertilizers and farm supplies. They will also buy cotton.

Cold Weather Here.

Since our last issue we have had some very cold weather, the coldest in many years. It began snowing last Saturday morning and continued until the afternoon when about six inches had fallen. The mercury dropped until it stood Sunday morning at five above. The last day or two has seen the mercury rise and now the snow is rapidly getting away.

This severe spell of weather has caught many of our people in bad shape in regard to wood, many not having enough to last until the snow is gone. On account of the inability to get out the cotton in time, there has been very little wood cut around here, with the result above mentioned. This bad weather ought to teach us a lesson and cause us to prepare for the winter while it is yet summer.

Have you renewed? If not, now is the time. Pay for 1912 and get a Turner's Almanac.

DEATH CALLS YOUNG WOMAN.

Mrs. N. T. Holland Passes Away at Her Home Here at the Age of Twenty-Seven Years. Funeral Held Monday Afternoon.

Sunday morning at seven o'clock, as the snow was covering the earth with a beautiful white mantle, the Death Angel glided into our midst and gathered to the Great Beyond the spirit of Mary Myatt Holland, wife of Dr. N. T. Holland. Young in years, being only twenty-seven years old, life loomed bright and promising before her, yet He who ruleth all things well, needed her in the realms above. Queen of the home, a devoted mother of four children, she will be missed more than we can ever know.

Mrs. Holland was the second child of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Myatt, and was born in Wake County. Her parents moved to Smithfield in her fifteenth year, and this was her home until her death. In January, 1905, she was married to Dr. N. T. Holland.

She was a faithful member of the Methodist church, the Christian graces, faith, hope and love, ever adorning her life. She was a true homemaker, a kind neighbor, a devoted friend.

On Monday afternoon, at three o'clock, a large concourse of friends and relatives gathered at the home to pay a last tribute to her departed spirit. The services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. S. Barnes, assisted by Rev. T. H. Spence, of the Presbyterian church. The floral offerings were indeed beautiful, among which were designs sent by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Woman's Home Mission Society, the Knights of Pythias, and the M. E. Baraca class.

Though the weather was very disagreeable, a large crowd gathered at the cemetery thus expressing their interest and sympathy.

The pall bearers were: Messrs. H. P. Stevens, J. H. Abell, T. W. Daniel, T. J. Lassiter, F. K. Broadhurst, W. W. Cole, who just seven years ago were attendants at her marriage, and Messrs. F. H. Brooks and A. Vermont.

Mrs. Holland leaves a husband, four children, father and mother, four brothers and four sisters, and a great host of relatives and friends who mourn her untimely taking away.

The following from a distance were here to attend the funeral Monday afternoon: Mr. Marshall Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Holland and Mr. Lonnie Holland, of Clayton, Mr. J. W. Myatt, Mr. Reubin Myatt and Miss Annie Myatt, of Polenta, Mrs. E. P. Baker, of Four Oaks, and Mrs. T. L. Ginn, of Goldsboro. The Herald joins the many friends here and elsewhere in extending tenderest sympathies to the bereaved ones.

The body of the late Alfred Tennyson Dickens, son of the English novelist, will be buried in New York City. The daughters of Mr. Dickens, who live in Australia, preferred the burial in London, but finally consented that it should be in America.

A Good Record for Both.

"I've driven my car for over a year now," said Bilkins, "and I've never run down anybody." "That's nothing," said Mrs. Bilkins. "I've attended the meetings of our Sewing Circle for five years and have never run down anybody."—Harper's Weekly.

Baltimore is preparing to give the Democrats a warm welcome in June. The Committee on Mint Juleps will have a strenuous time of it.—Rochester Herald.

THE SMITHFIELD MARKET.

Good cotton	8 to 9 3-8
Low grade cotton	6 to 8 1-2
Wool	10 to 15
Fat cattle on foot	2 1/2 to 3
Fat cattle dressed	6 to 7
Eggs	20 to 25
Chickens	20 to 40
Granulated sugar	7 1-2 to 8
Corn per bushel	75 to 80
Feed oats	75 to 80
C. R. Sides per pound	10 to 11
Potatoes	50 to 60
Fresh pork	7 to 8
New hams	12 1-2
Old hams	20
Country sides and shoulders	10 to 11 1/2
Lard per pound	10 to 15
Timothy hay	1.65
Cheese per pound	20
Butter per pound	25 to 30
Dried apples per pound	12 1/2
Coffee per pound	20 to 25
Salt hides per pound	4 to 5
Hides, dry flint	7 to 9
Sheep skins each	10 to 25
Meal per sack	2.00
Flour per sack	2.75 to 3.00
Cotton seed	24
Stock peas	1.50 to 1.75
Table peas	1.75 to 2.00

The Beautiful Snow.

(By Mrs. B. W. Hatcher.)
O, Winds of Winter! wailing
Through clouds that droppeth low,
How truly thou art whisp'ring
Of that sweet long ago,
When blithesome lad and lassie
With cheek and lips aglow,
Just as to-day, were happy
To greet the drifting snow.

Lookout! Those icy missiles,
Ay, like an army grand,
Are coming forth to meet us
Enroute to "Silv'ry Land."
And see those flakes that falleth
Like angel kisses. Lo!
We hear the Saviour's promise,
To make us "white as snow."

How dear, like drops of mercy,
By millions, to and fro,
They cross and pile together—
Those lovely flakes of snow;
So softly, gently, touching
The cold, ungrateful Earth,
To man, a potent blessing,
And priceless in their worth.

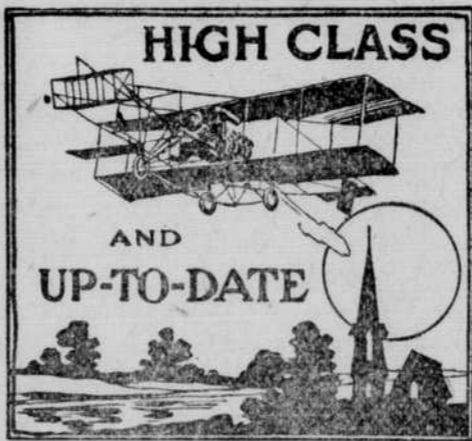
Ah, cold and shiv'ring Nature,
Thine arms, that once were bare,
Are folded 'neath a mantle
That's stainless, pure and fair.
Thus man, who's poor and needy,
With heart that's full of sin,
May wear a spotless mantle
Of Heaven. Seek and win.

Behold, a world of beauty!
As yonder golden Sun
Climbs o'er the east horizon
And says: "Why have I come,
Blest land of pearls and jewels?
Thou needest not my light."
O, Sun thou art mistaken,
Thy rays have made it bright.

Poor fallen man, in weakness,
Stands cold and bare to-day
Beneath Satanic missiles,
That seek him for their prey.
He steps beyond the borders,
Each footprint marks the way,
As plain in life's sad story,
As in our paths to-day.

But God's unbounded mercy
Is sung from shore to shore,
And, with a blood-bought pardon,
He gently taps our door;
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