

## Look at These GREAT Piano Bargains

While in these temporary quarters we want dispose of every second-hand instrument, regardless of cost. This is your great chance to get a good piano at a great saving. Here are two:  
One \$450, upright piano, slightly used, put in good condition, price only \$237.50 on easy terms.  
One upright piano, been used, but is in good condition. former price \$400, now \$177.50. A small cash payment, then \$5 per month.  
Write for particulars.

The Piano With the Sweet Tone  
**CHAS. M. STIEFF,**  
156 Granby St. NORFOLK, VA.

### LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Did you say Brass Band?  
—Read the new ads. in this issue  
—County Commissioners met Monday.  
—There is another rumor afloat that Williamston is to have an electric plant.  
—Did father promise that ten spot when you told him about the brass band?  
—Don't forget to make father pony up" that ten spot. If he fails to come along side the wont play in his yard.  
—Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ellington of Rocky Mount have moved in town and are occupying the Methodist parsonage.  
—It is reported that a knitting factory will be started in the near future and bedroom slippers will be sole product.

—Mrs. Ella Newberry is preparing to have her residence on Church street made into a handsome two-story building.

—Information was received at this office late yesterday afternoon that negotiations are now being made to put in a \$25,000 knitting mill.

—It pays to read the advertisements of enterprising home merchants. They are the people who make it possible to have conveniences right at your door, so to speak.

—For two days the freight train failed to bring the mail as has been its custom for several years. The handling of the mail was resumed again yesterday, but there seems to be no one who can explain why it was left off those two days.

There is a movement on foot put new life into the Methodist Sunday School. A special invitation is extended to all persons not now attending any Sunday school to be present next Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

—Dr. W. H. Wakefield of Charlotte, N. C. will be in Williamston at the Atlantic Hotel, on Saturday February 16 one day for the purpose of treating diseases of Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat, and fitting Glasses.

—Each year the poultry business is becoming more lucrative and now assumes proportions that will soon rival any branch of farm industry. Farmers are forced to acknowledge that the old hen can lift her own weight in raising a mortgage from the farm.

—It is said that the best way to preserve apples in winter is to wrap them in newspapers so as to exclude the air. The exception is made, however, that the newspaper must be one on which the subscription has been paid, else the dampness resulting from what is "dew" may result in spoiling the fruit.

—J. Paul Simpson, of Williamston, N. C. is headquarters for the great Gibraltar Fire Resisting Materials, paints in all colors, and tints that resist fire roofing materials, roof coatings, etc. Also for Gibraltar, a process for painting inside of tobacco barns, to afford some protection from fire. These are the materials tested by fire, Saturday January 5th before a large crowd of spectators.

### Commissioners Met Monday

The Board of County Commissioners met last Monday. All the commissioners were present. Besides the regular routine business of passing upon and allowing the regular accounts the jury was drawn for the March term of the Superior Court.

At this same meeting a contract was let to the Art Metal & Construction Co. of Jamaica, N. Y., for the fixing up of the vaults at the court house. The price of the contract is \$1200.

This work has been needed for some time and we are glad that the commissioners have at last assented to have it done. By fixing up the vault in the register's office it will enable him to handle the work in that office more satisfactorily to himself and besides, the records will be kept in much better shape.

The resignation of Constable J. C. Keel of Robertsonville Township was accepted and Mr. Joe Bullock was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

### Annual Meeting Bank Martin Co

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Martin Co. was held in their offices on last Friday February 1st.

After the roll call, which showed 90 percent of the stock was represented, the president's report was read and adopted. This report showed that the past year had been the most successful of the seven years of the bank's existence.

A 9 percent dividend was declared and \$1,500.00 was added to the surplus.

The Bank has recourses of \$136,288.43 and enjoying a good healthy growth.

All of the old board of officers were re-elected who are as follows:

Wheeler Martin, J. G. Staton, J. L. Hassell, A. Anderson, S. L. Godard, V. R. Taylor, F. L. Gladstone, B. H. Roberson, and J. G. Godard.

Finance Committee: W. C. Manning, Wheeler Martin, and J. G. Godard.

—If you are superstitious about the number 13 you had better give us your quarter dollars, for on each one are 13 stars, 13 letters in the scroll of the eagle's beak, 13 leaves on the olive branch, 13 arrow heads and 13 letters in the words "quarter dollar." Now it's not safe to keep them so just bring them in and get credit on your subscription for full amount, we are not superstitious.

—This paper is endeavoring to give its patrons the best service that is possible to give and all that the patronage will permit. Our paper is being frequently complimented on its appearance and the amount and kind of matter it contains. Our citizens can make the paper still more effective by liberal patronage, both in subscriptions and advertising. The paper will always endeavor to merit the patronage.

### Miss Victoria Martin, Born July 5, 1886, Died February 1907

Just at mid-night on Saturday, February 2nd, 1907, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Martin and took as its victim their beloved daughter.

About ten months ago she lingered under the hand of disease, during all this time every means were used to restore her to health, but God touched her and she sleeps.

Miss Victoria Martin was born in Williamston on July 5th 1886.

She connected herself with the Baptist Church at the age of thirteen, her loved ones have every evidence that she now peacefully sleeps.

Why this young girl just entering into womanhood, was called from her home and loved ones we cannot understand, we cannot always understand the matchless purpose of Him who creates us in His own likeness. But we should never forget that He has a high and noble purpose in all his dealings with us.

How much she will be missed in the home, no one can tell.

She was a devoted daughter and sister.

She leaves a father, mother, and brother, sister and many friends to mourn their loss. But in this hour when their hearts are torn and bleeding they can look back with pleasure upon her life of usefulness and receive comfort from the thought that she has entered into eternal rest.

Her suffering was borne with christian patience; a few days before her death, she was heard to say, "I am ready to go, Oh! God take me from my great suffering".

Shortly before her death she suffered great pain; but as the end approached she assured her loved ones she was well again.

"I am so happy Miss Hollemann Tell them I am well again and am going home."

I commend the broken hearts to Him who doeth all things well.

A relative

In the death of Miss Victoria Martin the town loses one of its most beautiful daughter; a young lady of charming personalities, highly cultured and beloved by all that knew her.

The funeral service was conducted from the home of her parents Monday afternoon, the most inclement day of the winter. Why such a flower of beautiful young womanhood should be cut down at such a time and it be necessary to lay her body to rest in the cold and silent earth, all covered in snow and sleet, is beyond the comprehension of mortal man. But the loving Father who careth even for the tiny sparrow and fudgeth a warm place for its shelter will temper the earth to hold peacefully and comfortably the remains of this beautiful young lady, because he has called her unto Himself.

The funeral was conducted by

her pastor, Rev. George Dowell. The remains were interred in the family plot in the Baptist cemetery. The following gentlemen were pall bearers: Messrs. D. S. Biggs, John D. Biggs, F. F. Fagan, C. H. Godwin, Joe and Watts Martin, Wilmer and Simon Sitterson.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. O. L. Joyner of Greenville, president of the Farmers Consolidated Warehouse Co., was in town Tuesday.

Mr. B. F. Godwin, Jr., left Wednesday morning on a business trip.

Messrs. Watts and Joe Martin of Norfolk, Va., came Sunday night to attend the funeral of their niece, Miss Victoria Martin.

Messrs. Simon and Wilmer Sitterson of Kinston came Monday to attend the funeral of Miss Victoria Martin.

Mr. Joseph D. Biggs and Miss Mattie Waters went to Everetts Tuesday afternoon.

### GOLD POINT ITEMS

Rev. S. A. Summerell of Grifton filled his regular appointment here Sunday. He preached to a large and appreciative audience.

Miss Ada Coburn of Robertsonville was visiting Miss Leiter Taylor here last week.

The acreage planted in tobacco will be increased in this section this year.

Mr. J. L. Croom has moved into the Wm. Gray Andrews place Main street. He has purchased this property.

Mr. W. J. Cherry is living in the residence previously occupied by Mr. Croom.

Miss Mamie Ives was the guest of Miss Lydia Roberson Sunday.

Mr. T. S. Stalls continues seriously ill, but we hope will soon be out again.

The inclement weather the past few days has seriously delayed farming operations.

Mr. J. Bunyon Edmondson of Robertsonville was in town last Sunday.

Mr. Johnie Edmondson has accepted a position with Dr. Long of Hamilton.

Our farmers talk of planting a small acreage in Irish potatoes again this year.

### Annual Meeting of The Dennis Simmons Lumber Co.

The annual stockholders' meeting of the Dennis Simmons Lumber Co was held in the office of company here yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Nearly all of the stock was represented and the report of the president was read and adopted. The report showed that the business of the company is in fine condition.

The same officers were reelected to serve another year.

**AVOID ALUM**  
**AN UNSEEN DANGER IN FOOD**  
TO GUARD SHIPS against the unseen dangers of sea, the United States Government maintains lighthouses.  
To guard your home against the unseen dangers of food products, the Government has enacted a pure food law. The law compels the manufacturers of baking powder to print the ingredients on the label of each can.  
The Government has made the label your protection—so that you can avoid alum—read it carefully, if it does not say pure cream of tartar—hand it back and  
**Say plainly—**  
**ROYAL BAKING POWDER**  
ROYAL is a pure, cream of tartar baking powder—a pure product of grapes—aids the digestion—adds to the healthfulness of food.

PHONE 44  
**Adams & Co.**  
DEALERS IN  
**Fresh Meats, Fish, Poultry, Etc.**  
GAME IN SEASON  
Main Street Next to Simpson's

**CITY BARBER SHOP**  
J. H. HYMAN, Mgr.  
Main Street

**First Class Shop**  
5 Chairs  
Everything Clean and in Order  
**PRESSING CLUB**  
We are running a pressing club in connection with our barber shop and have an experienced presser and cleaner in charge.  
Give us Your Work

**STRAW NO. 3**  
"Straws show which way the wind blows."  
**THINK**  
1st. If you were to die (you surely will) would those now dependent on you be able to live comfortably on the interest of your accumulation?  
2nd. If some dread disease as paralysis or consumption were to overtake you and make you unable to work to earn a livelihood, would you have a nice yearly income?  
3rd. If you were to be incapacitated for work by some accident, how about it then?  
4th. Would you object to investing a little each year for accumulating an estate?  
If not then you need  
**Insurance that insures**  
you against death, accident, and disease and affords a good investment. Our policies embody all these propositions.  
**B. T. COWPER**  
Life, Fire, Accident.  
Phone No. 7  
Office over P. & M. B'k Bld'g

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION  
**The Farmers and Merchants Bank**  
At Williamston, N. C., at the close of business on January 26, 1907.  
RESOURCES LIABILITIES  
Loans and discounts \$91,616.83 Capital Stock \$25,000.00  
Overdrafts Secured 6,087.49 Surplus Fund 3,000.00  
Banking Houses Fur Fix 10,701.04 Undivided Profits 18.52  
Due from Banks 5,865.59 Time Cer. of Deposit 30,035.81  
Cash on Hand 495.66 Deposits 60,095.87  
Gold Coin 877.50 Silver Coin 779.14 Cashier's Checks 36.96  
Nat. Bank Notes 1,774.00  
Total \$108,187.16 Total \$108,187.16  
State of North Carolina—County of Martin.  
I, Frank F. Fagan, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
FRANK F. FAGAN, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 2nd day of February 1907.  
A. T. CRAWFORD, Notary Public  
Correct—ALEX. W. H. CRAWFORD, Dennis S. Biggs & Hassell  
DENNIS S. BIGGS, President. C. D. CARSTARPHEN, Vice Pres.  
FRANK F. FAGAN, Cashier.

**FREE FREE FREE**  
To Our Patrons and the Public:  
We have made a contract with a large eastern manufacturing company which enables us to give to each of our customers old and new, an enlarged portrait of the selves or any member of their family. When their cash purchases have reached the \$15 mark, if you haven't already gotten a ticket, ask for one when making purchases. We have purchased the largest assortment of frames ever exhibited in Williamston, and will furnish you one at the wholesale price. Cardinal paintings, are something new. Take advantage of this liberal offer.  
We will offer special inducements to those holding tickets on Millinery, Shoes, Dress Goods, Gingham, White Goods, Outing Flannels, Hosiery and Gloves. Do not fail to take advantage of this liberal offer and get your picture enlarged.  
**G. D. GARSTARPHEN & CO.**

**New Store and Fixtures**  
I am now located in the store two doors below my old stand on Main Street where I have put in an up-to-date line of Jewelry Store fixtures.  
I have one of the nicest selected stocks of jewelry, etc., to be found in eastern North Carolina.  
Repairing a specialty.  
**THE JEWELER**  
H. D. PEELE  
WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

**For Twenty-one Years**  
**Bonanza,**  
**Orinoco**  
**and Farmer's**  
**Bone**  
TRADE MARK  
**F.S.R.**  
REGISTERED  
have been the standard Cotton and Tobacco guanos in the South—because great care is used in the selection of materials.  
Ask your dealer for Royster's goods and don't take substitutes said to be just as good. See that the trade-mark is on every bag.  
**F. S. ROYSTER GUANO CO.,**  
Norfolk, Va.

**Kodol DYSPEPSIA CL**  
DIGESTS WHAT YOU EAT  
The \$1.00 bottle contains a 2 1/2 times the trial size, which sells for 50¢  
PREPARED ONLY AT THE LABORATORY OF  
**E. C. DeWITT & COMPANY, CHICAGO**  
FOR SALE IN WILLIAMSTON BY S. R. BIGGS.