

## ODD FELLOWS' DISTRICT MEETING

WITH ELIZABETH LODGE OF THIS CITY AND A LARGE GATHERING ASSEMBLES — GRAND-MASTER OVERTON OF DURHAM WAS PRESENT.

The District meeting of Odd Fellows was held here Wednesday with Elizabeth Lodge. About twenty-five delegates from the different lodges in the district were present. The meeting was called at ten o'clock. W. C. Savage, N. C. president; Wesley Williams was acting as vice-president; H. T. Greenleaf, Jr., secretary and treasurer, and Rev. E. F. Sawyer, chaplain.

Grand Master N. H. Overton of Durham was present and delivered the principal address. His theme was "Odd Fellowship." It was a very readable address and greatly interested his audience. The delegates from the various lodges made reports on the condition of their lodges. These reports showed the lodges to be in flourishing condition and that Odd Fellowship is flourishing in this district.

Wednesday night work in the second degree and third degree was done by the degree team of Elizabeth Lodge. After the degree work a banquet was served. This was an informal but very enjoyable affair.

## SUMMER'S SUPPER POSTPONED MARCH 23

On account of the bad weather, the summer's supper which was to have been given tomorrow night, has been postponed until Saturday night, March 23rd.

The committee has perfected the plans and the funds to provide for it, have been secured, so the supper is assured.

The supper will be served at the Southern Hotel. It will be an informal affair, but will be an enjoyable event just the same.

The object of this supper, is to cultivate a close acquaintance between the traveling men of this city and the business men.

## FANCY GOODS AND ORIENTAL RUGS

An exhibition of high class fancy goods and oriental rugs has been held at M. Leigh Sheep Co's. Woman Wear Store this week.

This exhibit included an elaborate array of fancy goods, lace, shawls, etc., hand work by Japanese and Chinese artists. There was also an exhibit of oriental rugs, ranging in prices to \$125.00.

## ELKS TO INSTALL ANNUAL OFFICERS

The following officers will be installed by the local lodge of Elks the first Friday night in April:

E. R. Spence, Exalted Ruler; Brad Sanders, Esteemed Leading Knight; L. E. Old, Esteemed Loyal Knight; J. M. Harney, Esteemed Lecturing Knight; J. M. Martin Treasurer; D. G. Brockett, Secretary; J. B. Flora, Jr. Tiler; J. H. Aydtlett representative Grand Lodge; D. B. Bradford, Alternate; Dr. I. Fearing and T. P. Nash, Trustees.

## RICE-WINTER

Eward Austin Rice of Mt. Washington, Ky., and Miss Loretta Margaret Winter of Baltimore were married here last Saturday.

Justice of the Peace Munden performed the ceremony. Mr. A. F. McKay of Norfolk accompanied the couple and witnessed the ceremony.

## GANNAWAY-DEMING

A. D. Gannaway and Miss Minnie May Deming, both residents of Norfolk, were united in marriage here last Friday. Rev. J. D. Dandy, pastor of the First Methodist church, performing the ceremony.

## PICTURES GOOD LAST FRIDAY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DESERVES CREDIT FOR GIVING ELIZABETH CITY BUSINESS MEN THIS EXAMPLE OF ADVERTISING METHODS OF A BIG CITY

Mr. C. L. Welsh of the Cincinnati Commercial Club gave an illustrated lecture here last Friday afternoon under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce. The lecture was well attended, the Gaiety Theatre being well filled.

The lecture was illustrated by more than 200 stereopticon views of Cincinnati, the queen city of the West. These views showed many of the principal buildings of this city and many scenes from the different sections of the town, one of the most interesting features of the pictures was a trip through a piano manufacturing establishment, in which the different rooms in the factory were shown and a piano in different stages of construction. Those who saw the pictures can not help appreciating a good piano more from having seen them.

The lecture greatly interested the audience and every person present has now a more comprehensive idea of the city of this great city.

The last pictures shown were humorous. They were the town knocker and his fate. These pictures created a great deal of merriment.

## LEAP YEAR CLOSING SALE

Owing to unforeseen conditions there are left in Elizabeth City in single estate forty-eight (more or less) very handsome young ladies, ages near sixteen.

This rare and extraordinary collection of young ladies will be sold at auction to the highest bidder for cash on Friday the 16th day of March, 1912.

This sale is to occur at the store-room formerly occupied by W. T. Williams, corner Road and Fearing streets.

Nobody should miss attending this sale and indulging in one of the biggest laughs of the season.

Owing to the exceptional values offered, the bidding is expected to be fast, furious and spirited.

This sale will be conducted under the auspices of the Baraca and Phila-thea classes of the First Baptist church.

## DR. LUMSDEN

His many friends will be pleased to learn that Dr. Lumsden's condition has improved so that he is now able to sit up.

Dr. Lumsden slipped down at his home about two months ago and severely injured his hip. He has spent the past two months in bed, being unable to move. Although he can sit up now, he can not walk a step. His friends hope that his recovery will progress more rapidly and that he will soon be able to be out.

## TRUEBLOOD-HOLLAND

Mr. Walter Trueblood and Miss Rose Isabel Holland, both of this city, were united in marriage last Saturday night at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Anna Holland in Skinner Avenue.

Justice of the Peace J. W. Munden performed the ceremony.

## MRS. A. M. WILLEY BURIED YESTERDAY

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock over the remains of Mrs. A. M. Willey and the interment followed in Hollywood cemetery.

The services were conducted from the home in Main Street and a large congregation of sympathizing friends of the family attended.

Mr. Ossie West, a former citizen of this city has returned from Belhaven and has accepted a position with Lavenstein's Department Store.



He's Getting Riled

## THE BEST WEEKLY IN OLD NORTH STATE

Mr. W. J. Peele at the State's Capitol says that the Advance is Ahead of Anything he Sees in the Way of a Weekly Newspaper, Deserves and Will Win Support.

Raleigh, N. C., Mar. 12, 1912.

Mr. Editor: I want to congratulate you on the improvement of your paper. It is the best weekly I see, and one reason is you give your own views about every subject upon which you write—and your views are disinterested, I mean unpurchased by fear, favor, or affection, reward or the hope of reward, so far as I am able to see. The position you took on the parcels post will immediately cause every right-minded man in your community to sit up and take notice; if indeed he had not already taken notice of you before, and whether he agrees with you or not. The point he will note is that you took your position contrary to the expressed opinion of the merchants, in meeting assembled, and contrary to a certain narrow view of their immediate interests. The onlooker had already observed that it is from the merchants you must get most of your advertising and that in spite of that fact you advise what you think is to their ultimate interests, and if not, then certainly to the interest of the people at large. At first blush it looks easier to "crook the pregnant hinges of the knee that thrive may follow fawning" but in the long run it is a hard road that the flatterer travels and the Book of Books has said "that the way of the transgressor is hard." Touching your position I desire to add that you are abreast with the best thought of this country, and of Europe where the scheme has been long tried and worked well. If you take your position regardless of your pecuniary interests in all matters of principle you will have splendid success for there is need of such a paper every where; and there will be demand for it too as you have established in the minds of all good men your reputation upon that point. I do not mean that your success will be measured entirely by dollars and cents; these

will come along in due course and will not corrupt unless they come too fast or come unearned; but I mean you will make a successful newspaper, one that reflects and voices the intelligence and integrity of your community and incidentally helps to upbuild and strengthen your own character and reputation. What does it profit a man if he gain the whole newspaper world and lose his own character—his self respect, his sense of brotherhood, to his fellow-man, whom he was put here to serve, his championship of the poor whom he was put here to defend?

By the way, this is a great age for persecution in business. Many so called great men believe that they have a right to bring a pressure of interests to control opinion and conduct in matters in which all men should be free. The law books are not wanting in cases where the father has prescribed his religion—his particular brand of it—to children old enough to judge for themselves, and disinherited them if they happened to believe a little more or a little less than he did on some tenet of faith or denominational predilection. To the Christian (?) man who seeks to control opinions by patronage (as the newspapers accuse Mr. Taft of doing), or by fear or favor, I would say, as I have long been of opinion, that he "hath the mark of the beast" spoken of in Revelation; for there is a significant hint in the Divine discussion to the effect that "none should buy nor sell save he that hath that mark" in two very conspicuous places—in his thoughts and in his deeds. Perhaps the Revelator had his eye upon these latter times. Persecution in business is the trade mark of the "beast," and the Christian (?) who wears it would do well to read the judgments pronounced in that remarkable Book.

A newspaper is not all news. The good people of your community want

to know where you stand on living questions, and even when you are wrong, as you often must be, they want to know whether you will give the truth fair chance in your columns. They want a decent newspaper, one that can go in their homes and will not have to be censored at the door-steps to see whether it contains matter too scandalous for decent people to read. Such a newspaper has a good field in every live community in North Carolina. The preachers will be your friends because they know, if they are wise, that you have a pulpit for righteousness far more powerful than theirs.

By the way, speaking of pulpits, reminds me that I ought to say that the Common People's Christ now appearing in your paper from week to week is the best and most condensed literature that is now being published in the State of North Carolina. You will have to watch the printer's devil particularly in printing things like this for sometimes where you allow him to get one word wrong you may spoil a whole sentence and mar a thought.

I thought I would say this much though I doubt not that many more modest persons have said it in their hearts. I heard so great a man as Dr. Curry once throw away his modesty, pro hac vice and say to his audience at the State University "I am sorry you did not applaud this sentiment." He went back and took a running start and a little ripple of applause followed his crescendo. Then he gathered himself up and in his vehemence he brought forth all his strength by land and sea and wave after wave of applause shook his mighty audience. I hope some things will not fall still born amid the placid waters of Eastern North Carolina. If they do we have need of a new newspaper here in Raleigh and above all a newspaper editor. We have only eighteen newspapers here the last time I took the census. They have largely made Raleigh what it is but there is not one of them that could not be improved. There is not one of them that would not be improved by the addition of another live virile editor who can call his soul his own.

But it is a hard thing to pull a young man away from Eastern North Carolina and I will not tempt you too much though we need men more than we need money here and we have not a few in your business.

W. J. PEELE.

## MR. ST. CLAIR DEAD; DIED TUESDAY MORNING

Mr. St. Clair Pugh, one of the most prominent and valued citizens of Dare county, died at his home at Wanchese, last Tuesday morning at four o'clock after a long illness.

The funeral services were conducted over the remains Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock and he was interred with Masonic honors. Rev. A. W. Price, pastor of the Methodist church at that place conducted the services. The Masons, of which order he was a prominent member, attended in a body.

Mr. Pugh was fifty five years old. He is survived by several sons and daughters. He was a leading citizen of this community, and was closely identified with everything that pertained to the moral and industrial progress of his county. He was noted for his many kind acts. He was always aiding his neighbors in every way possible. No man has died in Dare County that has been missed more than Mr. Pugh will be missed.

## FINED \$15 FOR ASSAULTING HUSBAND

Penny Barnes, colored, was up in Justice Court Tuesday morning upon the charge of assaulting her husband, Andrew Barnes with a club last Sunday. Barnes was in court and he presented a rather battered up appearance. He claimed that she carved him up with a hatchet. She denied this and stated to the court that she used a cudgel on him. His wounds leave evidence that he had received a good beating.

Justice Sawyer fined her \$15 and the cost.

## NO QUARANTINE AGAINST MEASLES

BAN AGAINST PUPILS FROM INFECTED HOMES REMOVED ON ACCOUNT OF FAILURE OF MANY PARENTS TO REPORT DISEASE.

With the permission of the city health officer, Superintendent Sheep of the graded school has raised the quarantine against measles which has been existing for some time, and all school children who have not got the measles are allowed to go to school.

The school children got infected with measles several weeks ago. Superintendent Sheep adopted the quarantine measures provided by the State Board of Health, but, in spite of all his efforts the epidemic has continued to grow, until it has become widespread and the school authorities are unable to cope with it. Lots of cases of measles have been concealed and the school children from the infected homes have been sent to school in defiance of the law prohibiting same. Superintendent Sheep has been unable to prevent them, because they denied having measles in their homes. Although the epidemic has been wide spread, very few cases have been reported to the health officer, although it is a reportable disease.

After a conference between city health officer, Dr. I. Fearing and Superintendent Sheep, it was decided to raise the quarantine, and let the school children come back to school and take chances, as the epidemic is spreading all the time.

Superintendent Sheep says that he does not think that it is right to prohibit children from school, when they are willing to comply with the law and report the cases, while other conceal the cases and continue to inoculate the school.

## BRITISH WOOLEN MILLS TO OPEN STORE HERE

Mr. O. E. Lane, of Tyner, N. C., will be manager of the new store of the British Woolen Mills, which is to open here.

Mr. Lane is well known here and his many friends will be pleased to learn that he will locate here.

The British Woolen Mills, of whose new store he is manager, have stores located throughout the United States, particularly the West. Now they are opening up stores in eastern portions of the United States, taking in the best cities. Elizabeth City is fifth on the list which is complimentary to us.

## HAS PRETTY TOUGH EXPERIENCE ON TRIP

Messrs. T. H. and Paul Lamb spent several days last week in the coast country the guests of Mr. Charles Martin of Nags Head. While on this trip, Mr. Martin and his guests took a little fishing trip in which they had a rather unpleasant experience.

These gentlemen, one afternoon started up the sound to visit some point where Mr. Martin has a fishing interest. When the boat got about ten miles in the sound, the engine stopped and refused to work in spite of all their efforts to get it to operate.

After drifting about in the sound for some time they decided to make a landing and rowed ashore, a long and tiresome task. When they reached the shore they found that it was an unhabited swamp. They rowed back into the sound. After awhile they made another landing and found that part of the shore deserted also. A member of the party decided to go in search of habitation. After rambling a long time, he found a negro shanty, but its occupants informed fore could not relieve their distress. Fore could not believe their distress. The search was continued and after awhile a farm house was found where assistance was secured.