

## THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR FISH AND ICE PLANT AT MANTEO

### Work Not Yet Begun And No Official Announcement Made But Site For Plant Has Been Purchased And the Project Is Regarded As Assured

The ADVANCE has it on excellent authority that the plan to establish an ice, fish-refrigerating and canning plant on Roanoke Island is taking definite shape and is being pushed to completion.

This enterprise is the undertaking of Northern capitalists whom Mr. Theo Meekins has succeeded in interesting in the project. They are men with large experience in enterprises of this sort and with no lack of capital to carry out their plans.

Quite a number of citizens of Manteo are taking stock in the company, it being the object of the promoters not to ask for this local support because they have need of the money, but in order to secure the good will and cooperation of the people of Roanoke Island.

The plant will manufacture ice for the big fish refrigeratory and a canning business will also be run in connection with it. It will be the purpose of this company to offer a market to the fishermen that will be open throughout the year and to supply the great markets with fish, both fresh and canned.

The company is to be capitalized at \$300,000 and those behind the project say that the plant should be in operation by the first of next August or very soon thereafter. The fish packing and refrigerating plant is to be situated at Manteo on the water front, at the point where the bathing house now stands. The cannery will stand somewhere on W. J. Griffin's pier.

This plan, if carried out, is the biggest undertaking ever attempted on Roanoke Island and will aid a very great deal in the development of Dare county. Such a plant will require quite a number of men to operate it; it will offer to fishermen a market throughout the fishing season, and it will no doubt mean the vast improvement of the transportation facilities on Roanoke Island. This, of course, would necessarily mean a better Nag's Head schedule from Elizabeth City—a side result, but nevertheless worthy of no mean consideration.

Practically all of Dare county is tributary to Elizabeth City. The development of this county and the increase of its prosperity, together with a convenient schedule to Elizabeth City, would redound greatly to the advantage of this city.

There seems, then, no possibility of anything but hearty endorsement of the plan both here and throughout Dare county.

### TO THE PUBLIC

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of CITY TAX COLLECTOR, subject to the Democratic Primary. I have never before asked for or held office I am now and always have been loyal to the Democratic Party and supported its candidates City, County, State and National.

Any support that you may give will be appreciated.

Respectfully,  
J. G. FEARING.

Master Aubrey and Bernard Hughes have returned from a visit to their uncle in Norfolk.

### MANTEO BRIEFS

Manteo, N. C., March 25th—Two colored men answering the description of George and Alfred Hooker, a couple of negroes wanted in Hyde county, were arrested here Monday and lodged in jail to await identification by their bondsman, Mr. George Radcliffe of Hyde county. The negroes deny that they are the men wanted.

The Burnside Packing Company, managed by Mr. Cecil Griffin has begun operations and is now canning fish roe and packing fish for market.

The Methodist Sunday School gave an Easter entertainment last Sunday night. It was very appropriate and much enjoyed by those present.

Mr. Theo. S. Meekins went to Norfolk this week on business.

Miss Inez Daniels of Wanchese returned home last week from Perquimans county where she has been teaching school.

Mr. Sam Dasher spent last week in Elizabeth City attending court.

The Baptist and Methodist Sunday Schools gave an Easter egg hunt to the children at Burnside on Easter Monday which was greatly enjoyed by the little folks.

Mr. O. J. Jones, who is postmaster here, has gone to Baltimore this week.

Mr. R. M. Jennette and his wife left Monday for Baltimore.

Miss Nora Meekins is out again after some days of illness.

Mr. John Evans has been sick for some few days.

The Tomb Thumb wedding, presented by the ladies of the Baptist Church last week, was very successful, being thoroughly enjoyed and netting a sum of twenty-five dollars.

Dr. Fearing's wife's sister is here this week visiting friends.

### GODFREY—STEVENS

Charles I. Godfrey and Miss Rebecca Stevens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens of Shiloh were married Sunday night at the home of L. B. Godfrey.

Justice of the Peace, William Forbes performed the ceremony in the presence of a large number of friends of the bride and groom.

### SAWYER—HALL

Mr. M. B. Sawyer, of this city and Miss Emily Hall of Raleigh, were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Hall, yesterday.

The ceremony took place at eleven o'clock and was performed by the bride's father, assisted by Rev. J. N. Cole. A very few intimate friends of the bride were present and Miss Maude Kramer of Elizabeth City was maid of honor.

Mrs. W. A. Brock and the groom's brother Attorney P. G. Sawyer were also present.

Mrs. Sawyer is well known in this city, her father having been presiding elder of this district six or seven years ago.

The bride and groom left Raleigh on the Seaboard train for an extended trip in the North. After their bridal tour they will make their home in Elizabeth City.

## 'SLUMBERLAND' WAS A SUCCESS

### Good Crowd First Night And Monument Almost Paid For Took Hard Work.

Presented on Tuesday and Wednesday night of this week, Mr. Harry Foote's big musical extravaganza, Slumberland, was a notable success.

The performance showed the audience, which on Tuesday night was a big one, that Mr. Foote's claim that he would put on the biggest and best theatrical performance ever given here by home talent was no exaggeration.

"Slumberland" indeed was surprisingly good and abounded in startling features that kept the audience guessing from start to finish. Nothing else quite like has ever been staged in Elizabeth City. No show so big has ever been seen in any auditorium here. The work involved in putting it on the stage was enormous. Mr. Foote, the ladies who have assisted him and those taking part in the play, had all done hard work to make it a success. The show was so big that a full rehearsal was impossible and the first complete performance was given Tuesday night. So the Wednesday night's performance, was the better of the two, things generally going more smoothly and the curtain going down a full three-quarters of an hour earlier than on Tuesday night.

The scene of the play is Sagehurst College. The curtain rises on the "college girls" in their opening chorus. They are soon joined by the "college boys" and when the chorus is completed, the "romantic" among whom are two lovers, "Helen" and "Richard." Seated on a camp stool, with paper and pencil in hand, Helen sings, "I Can't Reason this Old Thing Out" to which all the rest give vigorous assent in pantomime.

The entrance of "Madame De Willard," preceptress of the college, puts a stop to the music. Madame informs the students that Senator Fiske of Pennsylvania is expected and the bell rings for study period.

All retire except "Elsie" who remains on to sing "John took me Round to see His Mother," a comical number.

Richard then calls the boys to the stage and tells them of the expected visit of his father, Senator Fiske. Fearing that Professor Napoleon, of the chair of German will report certain delinquencies of his to the Senator he suggests that the boys aid him in making his father believe "old Phiz," professor of Chemistry, to be the famous professor Napoleon. After Richard has sung "Morning, Noon and Night," a love song, Phiz enters.

Phiz explains to the boys that he is experimenting with certain chemicals with which he hopes to restore the old to youth. While he is talking, Senator Fiske enters, escorted by the "Campus Cops" and by his little grand daughter, Inez, and is given the impression that Phiz is Napoleon. The school girls then enter with Madame and "Captain Murray" with the sailors of the Iowa appear on the stage. The sailors' hornpipe and the chorus "We're sailors of the Iowa" were both very effective. The senator is then conducted to the observatory to view the Iowa lying in the harbor.

Helen and the students then sing, "Hurrah Professor Napoleon," another very effective number, at the close of which the spot light discloses the great pro-

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## IMPROVEMENTS AT VA. BEACH

### Summer Visitors To Be Surprised at Many Pleasing Changes Made.

People not in close touch with the daily life at Virginia Beach will find a surprise awaiting them when they visit the popular resort again this season.

During the quiet winter months a vast change has come about at the pleasure center, and the visitor will scarcely believe his own eyes when the enlarged and improved Virginia Beach greets the returning guest and pleasure seeker.

Since the close of last season, with its record for popularity and attendance, more than a quarter of a million dollars has been spent in new building construction at the beach. Nearly forty new buildings—hotels, handsome dwellings and bungalows, have been completed, or are in the course of erection. The most notable among these is the new and modern hotel, the "Spotswood Arms", fitted for the comfortable accommodation of one hundred guests. This building alone, with its construction and furnishings, will mean an expenditure of nearly fifty thousand dollars.

Several large apartment houses are in course of construction, and still others contracted for. Private houses at an individual cost of over ten thousand dollars are under construction and many others are contracted for. Private houses at an individual cost of over ten thousand dollars, many others at a slightly smaller value and to these may be added numerous tasteful cottages and bungalows, all placed at the beach by people who appreciate life by the sea, and who are so situated financially that they can enjoy it at a point where summer is one continuous gay round of pleasure and where the world, people, give place to multitudes.

In addition to the \$250,000.00 spent for recent building improvements at the Beach, the casual visitor must not lose sight of the fact that only a year ago the Norfolk-Southern Railroad spent over fifty thousand dollars in building their mammoth new Casino and picnic pavilion, the location and construction of which opened up a choice building and improvement possibility northward and convenient to the car line to Cape Henry.

The location of the state rifle range at the Beach and the expenditure of seventy-five thousand dollars for its improvement by the state still further adds to total value to permanent building construction in the Virginia Beach vicinity.

To reach the camp site with good car service, the railroad company is spending fully twenty-five thousand dollars more for track and terminal construction, all of which serves to make broader the interest that is so rapidly centering at this, the most favored and most popular resort point on the coast, South of Atlantic City.

Summarizing the various expenditures by the different interests at the Beach, all planned and spent within a little over a year, and we have the startling figure of over four hundred thousand dollars, nearly half a million, used in evidence of faith and fact that Norfolk's favored resort is forging to the front at a pace gratifying to the most optimistic.

Messrs. B. G. Crisp of Manteo, J. W. Ward of Nags Head and W. J. Griffin of Manteo were in the city Wednesday.

## CHANGES IN TIME OF COURT SESSION MAY NOT PLEASE DARE COUNTY

### And it is Probable That the Judge will Not Like to Hold Court Here in July, But That is The Program--The Law In Full

The law changing the number of judicial districts, which passed the session of the State Assembly just closed will give Pasquotank county six instead of four weeks for the trial of Superior Court cases. Camden, Chowan, and Gates will each have three, instead of two weeks as formerly. The law goes into effect July 1st.

Changes in the time that the various courts are to be held have also been made in some cases. A notable instance is that of Dare County, where the court will now be held in February and August, instead of in April and October as heretofore. Dare county people in the city yesterday seemed to think that this would not be so convenient for the people of that county as the old system.

The law is of such interest in this section that it is offered below in full.

An act to provide for the state into judicial districts and for holding the courts therein.

The first district shall be composed of the following counties, and the superior courts thereof shall be held at the following times, to-wit:—

Currituck County—First Monday in March, and first Monday in September.

Camden County—First Monday after the first Monday in March; seventh Monday before the first Monday in September; said term for the trial of civil cases exclusively; and ninth Monday after the first Monday in September.

Pasquotank County—Sixth Monday before the first Monday in March, to continue for two weeks the second week for civil cases only; second Monday after the first Monday in March, for civil cases only. Ninth Monday before the first Monday in September; second Monday after the first Monday in September, for two weeks, the second week for civil cases exclusively; tenth Monday after the first Monday in September.

Perquimans County—Seventh Monday before the first Monday in March; sixth Monday after the first Monday in March; third Monday before the first Monday in September, for the trial of civil cases exclusively; eighth Monday after the first Monday in September.

Chowan County—Fourth Monday after the first Monday in March; first Monday after the first Monday in September; thirteenth Monday after the first Monday in September.

Gates County—Third Monday after the first Monday in March; fifth Monday before the first Monday in September; fourteenth Monday after the first Monday in September.

Dare County—Third Monday before the first Monday in March; sixth Monday before the first Monday in September.

Tyrrell County—Seventh Monday after the first Monday in March, to continue for two weeks the second week for the trial of civil cases exclusively; twelfth Monday after the first Monday in September.

Hyde County—Eleventh Monday after the first Monday in September.

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### GEORGE EVANS MINSTREL FRIDAY APRIL 11th

That George "Honey Boy" Evans, the paragon of minstrelsy, and his company of 60 notables, with a zestful production absolutely new in its entirety and handsomely ornamented in a costume and scenic way, will appear at the Alkrama on Friday night April 11th is announced by the management.

"De Go Lightly Guards' Reception," is the nomen of the pretentious afterpiece, the book, lyrics and score of which were written by the "Honey Boy". Its two settings show a street and the armory of "De Guards" in Hamtown, Alabama. The diminutive blackface favorite is presented in his favorite characterization of a roustabout darky of the levee. Didimus Jones is the farcical sobriquet under which he is introduced in the first scene, when he is shown as a fugitive from the law and an alimony-seeking wench. Later he is induced—partly thru hunger, majestic in its proportions, and mainly because of a bribe of two dollars—to pose as "General Woolf Woolf," a famous African Military leader. He is not all times the instigator of the many ludicrous, mirth-creating situations. Charles Hilliard the clever personator of girlkind, is a sensation in this afterpiece as an alluring octoroon heiress, fashionably gowned, Raymond Maxson and Charles Ufer never fail to create a furore with the portrayal of the famous "Texas Tommy" dance. "The Daughter of the Regiment" and "De go Lightly Guards" are its song hits. An elaborate ensemble march is another feature.

"The Floral Bower" is the name given by the artists to the exquisitely beautiful open part, which introduces the well-known minstrel favorites seated in the usual semi-circle on a terraced dias. "I Want to Hear an Irish Band Play on St. Patrick's Day" is the big song hit that brings this part to an epic finish. "Seminary Days" a novel song and creation, is the second division. It presents the contingent of talented singers and dancers, masquerading as dusky belles and sporting beaux, in varied and pleasing diversissements. Its setting is the moon-illuminated campus of a girls' seminary in the Southland. Evans in his "merry monologue moments" which reveal him in his happiest vein, and Tommy Hyde, the world's premier soft shoe dancer, assisted by Johnny Barry in the make-up of a dainty darky fawn, in a clever saltatorial exhibition, feature the highly entertaining olio.

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### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of City Tax Collector, subject to action of Democratic Primary.

Any support or favors will be greatly appreciated.

Very respectfully,

JAMES M. HILL,

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