

REV. MR. SHELDON, who won some cheap notoriety by lecturing on "What would Jesus do?" has started a life insurance company which will insure only Christians. The Rev. gentleman should not confine his philanthropy to such narrow limits. Why not start a fire insurance company for the unregenerate?

ALL of us have reasons for giving thanks. If these reasons do not at once present themselves it is simply because we resolutely look in the wrong direction. Indeed happiness or misery is largely in our own control and is dependent upon our attitude toward the world. If the world looks yellow to us it is a very good indication that we are jaundiced.

THE War Department is about to mount the largest gun in the world, at Sandy Hook, New York harbor. When mounted it will land a projectile weighing over a ton at any place within a range of 21 miles. Its bore is 16 inches. It uses 1,000 pounds of powder for a single discharge. Stood on its breach beside a three story building it would project far enough above the roof for a chimney and lying on its side it would shield a full company of 100 soldiers. It has taken four years to build it and the cost is \$130,000. It is believed that one shot from this monster would sink any vessel entering New York harbor.

Times are hard and it behooves us to economize. If your last year's suit is soiled don't cast it aside, but take it to Saml. Wiggins. He can, for little cost, dye them or clean and press them so they will look good as new, and you will save the cost of a new suit. Ladies' dresses dyed or renovated. He is also an expert in cleaning and upholstering furniture. Try him once and be convinced.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

State of North Carolina, Washington County.

The newly elected Commissioners of said county met in regular session on the first day and first Monday in December, 1902. They qualified as such Commissioners, and proceeded to call to order; those so elected and qualifying being present, and electing Levi Blount Chairman; Jos. Skittleharpe, B. F. Spruill, H. M. Snell, S. B. Johnston.

F. R. Johnston presented his bonds, which were accepted.

W. M. Bateman presented his bond, same accepted.

M. M. Alexander and J. E. Reid tendered their bonds, which were accepted, thereupon W. J. Jackson qualified as Sheriff, W. M. Bateman as Clerk of Court, M. M. Alexander as Treasurer, and J. E. Reid as Constable for Plymouth township.

Bids then being received for public work, Jos. Swain bidding \$200 to care for the County Home and inmates. \$200 was offered, which he accepted.

Nurney & Son bid \$3.50 for making coffins for paupers, W. J. Jackson's bid was \$4. Jackson's bid was accepted for the year 1903.

J. M. Arps applied and was appointed Standard Keeper for 2 years from Dec. 1st, 1902. Bond tendered and accepted.

L. P. Hornthal and J. H. Skittleharpe, bidding for furnishing county supplies, bidding respectively 10 per cent. and 6 per cent., J. H. Skittleharpe's being accepted at 6 per cent.

Ordered that C. V. W. Ausbon be allowed \$4 per month for publishing proceedings.

Petitions were presented asking to discontinue the license of peddlers in the country, which was defeated.

Adjourned to meet at 1 o'clock, P. M.

Met at 1:30 P. M.

Motion to discontinue peddlers license defeated, Levi Blount, Jos. Skittleharpe and H. M. Snell voting for license; S. B. Johnston and B. F. Spruill against.

Petitions were presented asking to issue no more license to retail spirituous or malt liquors to any person to keep and retail at any place in Lees Mills, Skinnerville and Scuppernon townships after Dec. 31, 1902. The petitions being read by the clerk, from the several townships, and its appearing that the majority of the qualified voters in said townships had signed said petitions asking same, it was ordered by the Board that there shall be no more retail liquor license granted to any one in Lees Mills, Skinnerville or Scuppernon townships after Dec. 31, 1902, and that this notice shall serve to notify all of those in such business to close and discontinue on the 31st day of Dec, 1902. Those voting for license, Jos. Skittleharpe and H. M. Snell; against, L. Blount, S. B. Johnston

and B. F. Spruill.

Ordered that Alexander Basnight be relieved of poll tax.

The following amounts were allowed persons opposite their names:

W. T. Whichard, holding polls 1 day in Lees Mills township.....	\$ 1.00
H. W. Bateman, registrar, holding election and canvassing board in Scuppernon township.....	30.06
W. R. Chesson, 3 days and mileage on board of elections.....	9.60
L. P. Hornthal, furnishing Co. poor, &c. Plymouth township.....	29.93
W. J. Jackson, bearing prisoners, &c. in November.....	15.10
W. F. Ausbon, stationery for Reg. of Deeds office.....	1.50
Jos. Swain, services at Co. Home and sewing.....	15.95
Atwood Stillman, holding election and challenging 1 day.....	2.00
E. H. Leary, holding election 1 day	1.00
C. V. W. Ausbon, publishing proceedings for November.....	3.00
W. B. Mizell, furnishing poor in Lees Mills township.....	45.15
R. J. Branch, holding election, registrar, &c. in Lees Mills township	27.46
B. M. Snell, holding election, registrar &c. Skinnerville township	16.74
W. H. Hampton, chairs Co. Home	9.00
A. M. Chesson, overseer road in Lees Mills township.....	2.40
W. M. Bateman, copying for permanent registration.....	22.39
N. W. Ambrose, timber for road in Scuppernon township.....	.93
A. G. Walker, timber for road in Scuppernon township.....	1.34
M. M. Alexander made his report, which shows a balance due him of \$378.47.	

F. R. JOHNSTON, Clerk.

Rural Free Delivery.

During the month of November there were 2,242 pieces of mail matter collected and delivered on the two rural routes from this postoffice.

This is an excellent showing for the first month, especially when one takes into consideration the fact that not one-half of the people residing on Route No. 2 are being served because they are opposed to changing their P. O. address to Plymouth.

It is to be regretted that these people are so averse to changing their address as Plymouth has most excellent mail facilities. The fact that we have eight mails daily, except Sunday; one tri-weekly mail, and one Sunday mail is a matter worthy of consideration as these are facilities many towns much larger than Plymouth cannot boast of.

Our postal officials here are doing all in their power to make the Rural Free Delivery service popular, and in order that those who objected to changing their address might be served, the Postmaster wrote the Department asking that the carrier be allowed to receive mail for delivery on the route from the postoffices at Roper and Mackey's Ferry, in addition to his regular delivery from Plymouth, but this request was declined in a letter which is published below, so it will now be necessary for those on this route who desire rural delivery to have their mail addressed "R. F. D., No. 2, Plymouth, N. C."

The following letter has just been received from the General Superintendent of the Rural Free Delivery System:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 1, 1902.

THE POSTMASTER,

Plymouth, N. C.

SIR:—This office is in receipt of your letter of November 20, reporting that patrons of Mackey Ferry and Roper postoffices are desirous of being served by rural carrier from Plymouth but object to changing their addresses to the latter office.

For guidance you are advised that the Department cannot favor these patrons by making an exception to the regulations governing the service; their mail must be addressed to the post office where the route by which they are served originates or rural service cannot be extended to them.

Respectfully,
A. W. MACHEN,
Gen'l. Supt.

We are glad to note that the patrons of Rural Route No. 1 are highly pleased with the service. Many of the people on this route received a daily mail at Hoke P. O. before rural delivery was established, but they have now changed their address to Plymouth in order to have their mail carried to them.

It is to be hoped that Rural Free Delivery will continue to grow in popularity as it means much enlightenment for the farmers.

NOTICE.

Notice pursuant to law is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of County Commissioners to grant to the undersigned license to retail spirituous and malt liquors for 6 months beginning Jan'y 1st next, in Lees Mills township, about 2 miles South of Roper, on the N. & S. R. R. Nov 28, 1902.
L. J. PEACOCK.

J. W. PERRY COMPANY,

NORFOLK, VA.

Quotations Dec. 3, 1902.

COTTON	Quiet
Strict middling.....	8 1-4
Middling.....	8 1-8
Strict low middling.....	8
Low middling.....	7 13-16
Bureau, 10,740,000 bales,	
Blues.....	

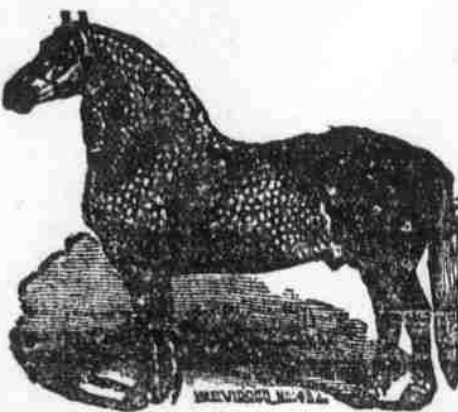
PEANUTS

	Quiet
Fancy.....	2 5-8
Strictly prime.....	2 3-8 to 2 1-2
Prime.....	2
Low grades.....	1 3-4 to 2
Machine picked.....	1 3-4 to 2 1-8
Spanish.....	75 ¢ bushel
B. E. PEAS.....	\$2.50 ¢ bag
Peanut Bags, in bales—68 in.—7 1-2	
Bagging and Ties and Peanut Bags for sale.	

Yours truly,
J. W. PERRY COMPANY.
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We have a large drove of Horses and Mules, brought direct from old Kentucky, by Mr. J. R. McVay, which we are offering at very REASONABLE PRICES. This drove may be seen any day at W. C. Marriner's stables.

S. H. NEWBERRY & CO.
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The elementary work in all the common school branches will be taught in the Intermediate Grade. Composition work will receive proper attention.

The student of the Academic department will receive the advantage of advanced work in common branches, book-keeping and those higher branches required for entrance into College.

AIM.—Our aim is to furnish a mental training that shall best fit the recipients for success in the various vocations of life.

The patronage of Plymouth and vicinity is earnestly solicited.

TUITION—Primary Grade, \$1.50; Intermediate, \$2.00, and Academic, \$2.50 and \$3.50.

For further information address or call on CLINTON J. EVERETT, A. M., M. E., Principal Hampton Academy.
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For Medicinal and Family use you will find the purest and finest liquors made in my stock.

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in Ladies Jackets from \$3.00 to \$8.00. We have added to our Clothing Department some very fine mens clothing, heavy black worsted suits from \$6.00 to \$12.00 and a good many others at low prices.

Our lady friends will save money in buying their Ribbons here, a big stock just received and prices to surprise you. A nice line of Mens Hats latest styles just received. Just a few more Ladies Furs left we will sell at a low price, be sure and come before they are gone.

We have in stock a few more large Druggets that are selling very fast as we make such low prices on them. Owing to the big shipments of goods coming in it was impossible for us to show them to advantage but since we have opened them and got them in place we can show them to much better advantage.

We have a big lot of Ladies Skirts any size, any quality, at very low prices from \$1.50 to \$3.00. Give us a call and be convinced in prices.

Comfortables from 85c to \$2.25.

Pearl Buttons, round top, at 10c. per doz.

Pearl Buttons, flat top, at 5c. per doz.

Lace Curtains, very fine, \$1.25.

Just a little more of that heavy, black, wide dress goods left, 60 inches wide at \$1.40.

Some very fine Hamburg from 4 to 25c per yard.

Ladies shirt waist from 50c. to \$1.00 call and see.

Carpet! Carpet!! Carpet!!!

The best bargain in Carpet ever offered in this section, also big lot of fine Matting from 11 to 22¢.

W. C. Ayers.

DR. MOFFETT'S
TEETHINA
(TEETHING POWDERS)
Costs Only 25 cents at Druggists.

Cures Cholera-Infantum, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, and the Bowel Troubles of Children of Any Age. Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels, Strengthens the Child and Makes TEETHING EASY.

Tombomb, Ala., July 23, 1893.—Dr. C. J. MOFFETT—My Dear Sir: Justice to you demands that I should give you 25 years experience with your excellent medicine, TEETHINA. Our little girl, just thirteen months old, has had much trouble teething. Every remedy was exhausted in the shape of prescriptions from family physicians. Her bowels continued to pass off pure blood and burning fever continued for days at a time. Her life was almost despaired of. Her mother determined to try TEETHINA, and in a day or two there was a great change—new life had returned—her bowels were regular, and thanks to TEETHINA, the little babe is now doing well.
Yours, etc., D. W. McIVER, Editor and Proprietor Tuskegee (Ala.) News.

New Millinery

Having secured the services of a competent trimmer and having a complete line of seasonable goods, we are in a position to furnish you, not only with the newest goods, but the most stylish workmanship in the millinery art.

Give us an opportunity to convince you how cheaply you can buy new, stylish goods.

Thanking you in advance we are, Yours truly,
MRS. W. B. WARD & CO.

Mrs. Peal's old stand, Water street.

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I would say that my Fall stock of Millinery, dry goods and notions are opened up for the season, and you are cordially invited to call and examine them before purchasing elsewhere.

We have evidence of what some of you think of our goods, as we have already sold more of our hats than we ever sold in any previous season before they were opened for the trade.

With thanks for your patronage, and hoping for its continuance, I am Very respectfully,
Mrs. A. M. AYERS,
Plymouth, N. C.

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