

## WHY SMALLPOX IS NOT QUARANTINED

Dr. Duffy Furnishes Explanation of Why Quarantining of Disease Has Been Abandoned.

### IT'S TO RELIEVE TAXPAYERS

Vaccinated People Bore Burden Necessary to Protect the Unvaccinated.

Editor Journal:— There appeared in the columns of the Journal yesterday morning a query in regard to the abolition of quarantine against smallpox. As the writer of this query evidently does not understand the situation, and as I have found there are many other who do not understand it, I take the liberty, as a member of the Craven County Board of Health, to herewith furnish the explanation.

The State has been for many years expending \$50,000.00 annually enforcing quarantine against smallpox. Whom did this quarantine protect? Not you, who have been vaccinated, but the unvaccinated class, those who, from ignorance or other less pardonable reasons, refuse to be vaccinated. From whom did the State derive the money to pay for this quarantine? From you who have been vaccinated, and, therefore, need no protection. The unvaccinated class in practically all instances is made up of those who do not pay taxes. You see then, the answer to the query is simple.

Vaccination is an absolute protection against smallpox. If you have been vaccinated, you need fear smallpox no more than chickenpox. If everyone were vaccinated, smallpox would be wiped off the face of the earth. It is perfectly possible for everyone to be vaccinated. This country, through its County Superintendent of Health, will vaccinate any one free of charge. Vaccination is practically devoid of danger; a sucking infant may be vaccinated with impunity, and as a matter of fact this is really the best time to vaccinate, as the reaction at this age is comparatively slight.

Taking all these things into consideration, why then should you, who pay the taxes and have been vaccinated, be taxed to protect those from smallpox who pay practically no tax, and who foolishly refuse to be vaccinated? The State has decided that it has no right to thus burden you unnecessarily, and it has, therefore, abolished quarantine against smallpox. It is anticipated that by doing this, only not will the tax payers of the State be relieved of the cost of the quarantine, but also more individuals will now be vaccinated than formerly to protect themselves against the disease and that, therefore, the incidence of smallpox will be considerably decreased.

When a case of smallpox occurs now in any community in this State, it is the duty of the County Superintendent of Health, to put a placard on the house in which the case is confined, and to notify the public of the existence of the case and its location. It is then "quarantine" the unvaccinated individuals in the community to take their choice between vaccination and protection from the disease, or remaining unvaccinated and rendering themselves liable to infection.

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United States Senator F. M. Simmons, who has been spending a few days in the city at his home on East Front street, leaves tomorrow for Washington. Congress will adjourn about Dec. 18 for the Christmas holidays and Senator Simmons will return here for Christmas.

### RACES THIS AFTERNOON.

Large Attendance at Fair Grounds Is Anticipated.

Hundreds of people will go out to the Fair grounds this afternoon to witness the horse and motorcycle races which will be held there. These races will begin promptly at 2 o'clock. Boats will be operated between the grounds and the foot of Pollock street and those who do not care to go by water route can reach the grounds by taking a public conveyance. An admission price of fifty cents will be charged. There will be no extra charge for admission to the grandstand.

There is apt to be one or more of your friends who would be only too glad to write your obituary.

### MR. STEVENSON WEDS

Well Known New Bern Man Wins Jersey Girl For a Bride.

(Special to the Journal)  
Woodbury, N. J., Nov. 28.—A wedding of great interest to the host of friends of the contracting parties took place here at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon at "Pinehurst", the home of the bride's parents, when Mark DeWolf Stevenson of New Bern led to the hymeneal altar Miss Elsie Dewees Dunn, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Conklin Dunn.

Rev. W. V. Lauderbaugh of Salem, N. J., performed the ceremony. Miss Helen C. Dunn, sister of the bride, wearing a pink chiffon gown and carrying yellow chrysanthemums, acted as maid of honor. Misses Bessie Dunn and Nellie Dunn, wearing blue chiffon gowns and carrying pink chrysanthemums, were bridesmaids. John T. Hollister of New Bern acted as best man.

After a visit in Northern cities Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson will return to New Bern where they will make their home.

Among the out of town visitors present were Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Bishop and John T. Hollister of New Bern.

### SHRINERS TO MEET.

On Thursday, December 5, Shriners from all sections of North Carolina and from adjoining States will gather at Charlotte for the annual meeting and ceremonial session of the Oasis Temple, Ancient Order, Nobles Mystic Shrine. It is estimated that there will be five hundred nobles and novices present. Among these will be Dr. J. F. Rhem, of this city, who is the illustrious potentate of the Shrine, and probably others from New Bern. Oasis Temple is one of the largest and most important in the South and that the visiting Shriners will be given a royal reception is the aim of the Charlotte members. This is a meeting similar to the one held in July, 1911, in this city.

### MOTOR BUS FOR THE JAMES.

The Hotel James will introduce an innovation in this city in the near future. This will be a motor bus line between the hotel and the union passenger station. Motor buses are now in use in many large cities and are giving perfect satisfaction. The cars have not been purchased at the present time but will be selected within the next week or two and shipped to New Bern promptly from the factory.

### HUNTERS ABROAD.

Today the woods in Craven and adjoining counties will be filled with hunters, both professional and amateur. A dealer in sporting goods said last night that his sales of shot gun shells and cartridges during the day had been exceedingly large. Game is reported to be very plentiful, and there will be many well filled game bags ere the sun sets this afternoon.

### MONUMENT FUND MOUNTING.

A collection was taken up yesterday in several of the rooms at the graded school for the DeGraffenried Colony Monument Fund and quite a neat sum was secured. This will be turned over to S. M. Brinson, treasurer of the fund. In addition to this amount there were several other contributions made during the day by citizens. The work of soliciting subscriptions and donations is being pushed forward with out and abatement.

### TO THE PATRONS OF NEW BERN POSTOFFICE.

I am sending out to you circulars asking for certain and specific information pertaining to the Parcel Post System, which will go into effect January 1, 1913. The information sought is of great importance and I therefore earnestly request you to write your answer to each of the several question found at the bottom of the circular and return it to this office on or by December 3, 1912, free of postage.

I would suggest that you can either drop the circular in the street letter box or the rural route box or the mail box at this office, just the way that will suit your convenience best, will be all right.

For your information I will say that my report to the department, which I must file by December 7th, must be based largely on the information I get from the patrons of this office through these circulars. Thanking you in advance for prompt answers I am,

Very respectfully,  
J. S. BASNIGHT, P. M.

There will be Thanksgiving service this morning at 11 o'clock at the Christian Science church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## WINS HIS CASE AGAINST ELKS

J. M. Arnold Awarded Damages Yesterday Morning in the Sum of \$585.

### JURY DELIBERATED LONG

Suit Grew Out of Tearing Down of Brick Wall Adjoining Elks' Temple Site.

After being out all night the jury in the case of Arnold vs the Elks Construction Company et al. yesterday morning returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff damages in the sum of five hundred and eighty-five dollars.

This suit grew out of the tearing down of a brick wall several years ago located just north of the site now occupied by the Elks Temple. The wall was left standing after a building owned by J. M. Arnold, then residing in this city but now of Vanceboro, had been destroyed by fire. The owner of the building objected to the wall being razed but the Elks Construction Company were afraid that it would cause them some trouble in one way or another. Dwight Styron, then chief of the New Bern Fire Department, was consulted in the matter and he ordered the wall to be torn down and this was done.

The case was taken up Monday and was stubbornly fought by both sides, a large number of witnesses being placed on the stand. Moore & Dunn represented the defendants while R. A. Nunn and W. D. McIver appeared in behalf of the plaintiff.

The case of Jones vs Vanceboro Steamboat Company was next taken up. This was not concluded at the close of the day's session.

### PREDICTS DAY OF DEATH

Pamlico County Man Dies on Day He Set For His Demise.

William Ward, an aged and highly respected citizen of Stonewall, Pamlico county, died yesterday—the very day on which last Sunday he said he would die.

Mr. Ward and his wife had been in feeble health for some time and as they were very old—he 78 and she 73—their death had been expected by friends and neighbors as liable to occur at almost any time.

Sunday Mrs. Ward passed away. Her husband was critically ill at the time. When notified that his wife had breathed her last the aged man, on rallying from his grief, remarked "Well, Betsy has gone. I will go Wednesday". Yesterday at 11 o'clock the end came. Mrs. Ward's funeral took place Tuesday. Her husband's will take place today. Mrs. Ward was an aunt by marriage of Postmaster J. S. Basnight.

### HOLIDAY TRADE ON.

With Christmas less than a month distant many of the local stores are taking on a holiday appearance and the force of clerks is being increased. The annual call to "shop early" has been sent out and for the next three weeks the scene in the business district of the city will be one of activity.

## 2 WAGON LOADS FOR UNFORTUNATE

Pupils of Graded Schools Give Bountifully For Happiness of Others.

### THEIR GIFTS DISTRIBUTED

At One O'Clock Yesterday Pupils Assembled and Heard Enjoyable Concert.

For years it has been a custom to have a Thanksgiving offering by the pupils of the graded school and the offerings brought by the pupils on Wednesday were sufficient to fill two large wagons, and in addition \$8.25 was brought in money. \$5.00 of this was expended for twenty packages of meat.

The entire Thanksgiving offerings were distributed among fifty-five families in the city and were sent out Wednesday afternoon.

At one o'clock Wednesday the pupils in all the grades, except the first and second, assembled in the Auditorium and the following program was rendered and very much enjoyed by all.

1. Orchestra.
2. Thanksgiving Day. 4B Grade.
3. Piano solo—The Butterfly—Laraltee, Nannie Willis. 3B Grade.
4. Autumn. 3B Grade.
5. Vocal solo—Two Hundred Years Ago. Addie Banks 4A Grade.
6. (a) Grandma's Pumpkin Pie (b) Hip-Hip-Hurrah 2C Grade.
7. Vocal solo, Kitten's Thanksgiving Mildred Hawk, 2A Grade.
8. Piano Solo, Cansanetta—A Jensen Bell Bishop. 6B Grade.
9. Seven Little Pilgrim Maids, 6B Grade.
10. Why Mr. Gobbler Changed His Tune. 5B Grade.
11. The Pumpkin Vivetta Crabtree, 2B Grade.

The attendance for the week has been as follows: Monday—present 791, absent 28; Tuesday—present 800, absent 18; Wednesday—present 778, absent 37.

The attendance on Tuesday—800, was the largest in the history of the school.

The following reasons for being thankful on Thanksgiving Day were written by Sybil Dean Wilson\* of the 3B Grade.

"I am thankful for my clothing and for the things I have to eat. I am thankful for our nice Thanksgiving and for the turkey and goose we have on Thanksgiving Day, and I am so thankful for my dear mother and father and for the friends I have. I love Thanksgiving. I am thankful for the sunshine. When people give me a kind word or two it makes me feel so nice. I love to live in New Bern, N. C. where we have a nice Thanksgiving every year. Will have to close my nice thanksgiving."

The 3A Grade had a spelling match on Wednesday morning. As this was the first one the grade has had this term, much interest was shown. The following remained standing on one side: Edith Alvis, Minnie Scales, Ellen Duer, Benjamin Whitcomb, Orin Phillips; Lucille Meredith and Ruth Dixon on the opposite side.

The 5A Grade spelling class is divided into two sections—A and B and there

### OBSERVE IT IN USUAL WAY

Races At Fair Grounds the Only Thanksgiving Innovation.

New Bern will celebrate Thanksgiving in about the usual way except that the horse and motorcycle racing at the Fair grounds will be something in the nature of an innovation. There will be services at most of the churches, some in the morning and some at night.

It will be a day of remembrance of the orphan and offerings for the various orphanages will be the order of the day. Most of the stores in the city will close either a part or the whole of the day, generally speaking the whole of the day.

That the day will be much enjoyed from a "creature comfort" point of view goes without saying. Grocers and market men report heavy buying of substantial and dainties for the annual Thanksgiving spread.

### A TREAT IN STORE.

Patrons of the Athens theatre have a treat in store for them this afternoon and tonight. At both performances that much talked of war picture "The Siege of Peresburg" will be shown, and there will be other pictures. The vaudeville will consist of a Mutt and Jeff act by two clever impersonators of these renowned characters. This act comes highly recommended.

### CROOM BOUND OVER.

Oscar Croom, the colored shoe maker who was placed under arrest Tuesday afternoon at his shop on Broad street by Policemen Bryan and McDaniel on a warrant charging him with retailing spirituous liquors, was given a hearing before Mayor McCarthy yesterday afternoon. After hearing the evidence in the case the Mayor found probable cause and bound the defendant over to the next term of Superior Court under a bond of one hundred and fifty dollars. He gave bond and was released from custody.

### SHIPPING NOTES.

The schooner Ligie B. of Beaufort came in yesterday morning with a cargo of oysters.

The power boat Nellie Oriole of Bards Creek was in port yesterday with a cargo of country produce.

The schooner Daniel Fowle of Beaufort was in port yesterday after a cargo of general merchandise.

The power boat Charmer of Swansboro, came in yesterday with a cargo of country produce.

The schooner Alfonso of Baird's Creek was in port yesterday taking on a cargo of merchandise.

Two large barge loads of lumber left this port yesterday enroute to Norfolk.

### LADIES TO GIVE BAZAAR.

The public is cordially invited to come next Wednesday Dec. 4th, to the Bazaar given by the ladies of the Episcopal church at the parish house. There will be many new and attractive features, numerous fancy articles at reasonable prices suitable for Christmas gifts. And lots of fun for the little folks, instead of the old fashion fish pond, something entirely new, that will be a great surprise and delight to them, also beautifully dressed dolls, Japanese toys and articles of various kinds—potted ferns and flowers, all sorts and kinds of good homemade candy, as well as delicious refreshments.

### FIRE DAMAGES DWELLING.

Fire supposed to have originated from a defective flue caused considerable damage to a dwelling house owned by Ralph Davenport and located on Miller street shortly after 7 o'clock yesterday morning. The fire had gained much headway before it was discovered and it was only due to the prompt response and hard work of the fire fighters that the building was not destroyed. The loss is estimated at three hundred dollars partially covered by insurance.

Lots of people never cast their bread on the waters until it gets so stale that dogs won't eat it.

is much rivalry between the sections. The record is kept for the month and in the month just passed the B section won.

Good work was done on the Theory examination Tuesday afternoon, many of the students getting excellent marks on their papers.

An examination will be given to the Harmony Class Wednesday Dec. 11. The work in the class is good practice in modulation. Scale and chord writing is of great practical value to a student. The Piano and Violin Club is preparing an interesting program for their meeting next week.

## HANDLED LIQUOR BY THE BARREL

Officers Capture Negro Who Had Been Doing Land Office Business Illegally.

### IN JAIL NOW AWAITING TRIAL

Mayor Gives George Seals and Jesse Wilder Preliminary Hearing. Binds Both Over.

Jesse Wilder and George Seals, colored, who have been conducting a restaurant on South Front street near Trent river bridge, were placed under arrest yesterday afternoon by Policemen Bryan and McDaniel on warrants charging them with selling whiskey. They were given a preliminary hearing before Mayor McCarthy a short time after the arrest and probable cause being found were bound over to the next term of court, Seals under a bond of two hundred dollars and Wilder under a bond of one hundred and fifty dollars. They failed to give bail and were committed to the county jail.

The officers have had Wilder's place of business under surveillance and yesterday afternoon seeing a man go in and come out in a very suspicious manner they nabbed him. On his person was found four half pints of whiskey and he immediately told them that he had purchased it from Wilder and the latter's arrest followed.

Seals is said to be a wholesale dealer and two barrels of whiskey containing one hundred half pints consigned to him were confiscated as they were being taken from the freight depot. Both negroes emphatically deny their guilt.

### THANKS FOR MUCH

Modern Miracles for Which We Are Truly Grateful.

(State Board of Health Service)  
We have more for which to be thankful than any one else ever had. In the first place, we are all thankful that we are alive. Four hundred thousand of us can be especially thankful that the death rate is not what it was thirty years ago. If the death rate of 1880 had continued, 400,000 of us would not have been living today. Sanitary science and popular education on health and how to live are responsible for all this.

The French failed to dig the Panama Canal on account of tropical diseases. Yellow fever and malaria killed fifty thousand of them in the attempt. We shall have the canal dug two years ahead of time, and the men who are digging it have a lower death rate than that of any state in the Union. Why? Because we have conquered yellow fever and the mosquito and have enforced good sanitary measures on the isthmus. We are thankful for this.

The efficiency of our Southern people has been below par for centuries. Hookworm disease was found to be the cause, and now hookworm infected people by the thousands are being treated and cured free of charge. We are thankful for this.

We are now curing consumption, and the death rate from this dread disease is slowly decreasing. Smallpox used to kill one out of ten; now it does not kill one out of ten thousand. Vaccination is responsible for this. No one needs to contract the disease unless he refuses to be vaccinated. Better water and milk, fewer flies and better sewerage are gradually reducing the typhoid fever death rate. Better education of mothers is saving lots of baby deaths. The malarial belt is continually narrowing.

Such things are modern miracles, but they are slowly but surely taking place before our very eyes. For all these things, and more, we are thankful, but we are going to advance still further. In the future such impetus will be given to health work that many of our present diseases will be wiped out, the average length of life will be increased from ten to fifteen years, and we shall be able to accomplish much more work and do it more easily than we can now. For all this we are thankful.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Athens Theatre—New Vaudeville.  
New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—Safe Banking.  
Standard Shoe Co.—Crossett shoes.  
A. T. Willis Co.—Be ever thankful.  
A. Caster Meat Market—Open till 10 a. m.

# RACING

## FAIR GROUNDS TO-DAY

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**3:00 Trot and Pace**  
**Free for all Trot and Pace**  
**Running Race, Free for all**  
**Motorcycle Race.**

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# Admission 50c

## Grand Stand Free.

Children under 12 years 25 cents.