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DIRECTORY FOR THE CHURCHES OF COLUMBUS.

PRESBYTERIAN—T. C. CROKER, pastor—Preaching every third Sunday, 11 A.M., and at night.

BAPTIST—Preaching by appointment Sunday school every Sunday at 10 A. M.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Preaching by appointment. Sabbath school at 10 A. M.

EDITORIAL

PAY YOUR POLL TAX.

A subscriber to the Gazette writes to know if there is any obligation on the part of tax collectors to furnish to tax payers tax receipts that "specify the payment of the poll tax." There is, and further than this the law provides that "if a sheriff or a tax collector wilfully fails to give a tax receipt to any person paying his poll tax, or giving a false date, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

COLLINSVILLE.

DEAR SIR—I have been thinking for some time of the conditions of the farmers in Polk County, N. C., and of course that means all the people of the county, for that is what they follow in the main—farming. It does seem to me that we have had experience enough the past year raising cotton to satisfy the people that Polk county is not especially adapted to the growth of cotton, and any farmer that plants largely of cotton to the exclusion of the other crops that are better adapted to soil and climate and are generally needed for home consumption ought to be drilled for the simple.

I hope for a change and that neighbor will not follow neighbor buying guano and planting cotton, and buying farm products from the west that can be grown easier and with less expense than the cotton crop from which we get the money to buy them with.

The farmer is not the only one that is injured by this irregular and improvident business way of doing. All enterprises are affected and their progress impeded by the drain brought about by the uneven balance in trade in the exchange of the products. We pay freight both ways, which is quite unwise. And allowing that all other things were equal (and by experience we find they are not), we are the loser any way you put it. We do not mean that we should not grow cotton at all but let us grow the crops we need and let the cotton be the surplus crop. Of course what we say in regard to growing cotton in bulk is not intended for our wealthy farmers who must have something in the nature of luxuries, but for the common upland farmers and tenants who have neither money or means to work with, who must begin the crop in debt and consequently in doubt and end it in debt without doubt.

It is not altogether ignorance that cause the people to go extensively into cotton, but the monkey or imitative nature. We see one who has the means to raise cotton getting a big roll of money and we conclude he is growing rich raising cotton, when in reality he is not gaining a cent but is only getting the money back he put in the crop in the shape of guano, hired help, ginning, etc. His own labor goes in as an item to pass away his time.

In conclusion we will jot down a few don'ts that will help us:

Don't buy more guano and give more attention to your cotton than you do other crops. Corn, wheat and oats, either one of them can be grown at less expense than cotton.

Don't go to the P. O. and country store and sit down but get your mail or the goods you want for and go. The merchant will like you better and your wife will think there is no one better than you.

Don't let your children miss getting the benefit of the public school. They are carried on at your expense and your children need to know some of what the teachers know. When your children are older they will bless you for the care you bestowed on them.

J. M. FURMAN.

Wood's Seeds

BEST FOR THE SOUTH.

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ONE OF OUR LEADING SPECIALTIES.

We have thousands of barrels in stock; the best Maine-grown and Virginia Second Crop Seed. Wood's 1902 Catalogue gives comparative crop results, both as to earliness and yield, with Maine-grown and Second-crop seed. It also contains much other useful and valuable information about Potatoes. Write for Catalogue and Special Potato Price List.

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Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure no Pay. Price 25c.

NOTICE.

All taxes due in the town of Columbus, N. C., must be settled during the month of Jan. 1902. After the limit of this notice the Collector shall proceed to collect according to law.

By order of the board.

F. M. BURGESS, Collector.

ROUND TRIP REDUCED RATES

Offered by the Southern Railway Co., for the following special occasions:

On account Mardi Gras, New Orleans, La., and Mobile, Ala., Feb. 4th-11th. Tickets will be on sale Feb. 4th to 10th, inclusive, with final limit to return Feb. 15th, except that by payment of 50 cents and deposit of ticket with joint Agent No. 707 Cravier Street, New Orleans, La., and 51 South Loyall Street, Mobile, Ala., on or before Feb. 15th, an extension of limit will be granted to Feb. 28th. Rate of one first class limited one way fare for the round trip. Round trip rate from Asheville \$22.10 to New Orleans, La., and \$18.55 to Mobile.

Account Annual Convention Communication Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A. F. & A. M., Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14th, 1902. Tickets will be on sale Jan. 12, 13, 14, final limit Jan. 31st. Round trip rate from Asheville \$11.00.

Account 5th Annual Poultry Show, Charlotte, N. C. Tickets on sale Jan. 6th-9th, inclusive, with final limit Jan. 11, 1902. Round trip rate from Asheville via Spartanburg \$5.25 via Statesville \$5.55 and via Salisbury \$6.20.

Call on ticket agents for further information or address.

F. R. DARBY, C. P. & T. A. Asheville, N. C.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of a certain mortgage executed on the 1st day of July, 1901, by Julia Mills of the County of Polk and State of North Carolina, to T. C. Hampton, to secure certain indebtedness therein named, and assigned by the said T. C. Hampton to J. T. Waldrop, which mortgage is duly recorded in the Registrar's office for Polk County, in book 1, on page 25, and default having been made in the payment of the same, or a balance of \$30.00 (thirty dollars), I will on Monday, Feb. 3rd, 1902, at 1 o'clock p. m., offer for sale at the court house door in Columbus at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, to satisfy the balance due on said mortgage, to wit: \$30.00 with interest, cost and expenses added, the following described land, to wit:

Lying and being in the State of North Carolina, County of Polk, Columbus township, and known as the Julia Mills lot in Tryon, N. C. Adjoining lands of Lum Constant, John Blackwell, et al. More fully described in the Julia Mills deed, containing about two and one half acres, more or less.

This Jan. 7th, 1902.

T. J. Waldrop, Mortgagee. J. P. Morris, Att'y.

Several articles for publication will not appear in this week's issue of THE NEWS, having reached us too late.

The Old Shop but a New Smith.

Having purchased the entire outfit of blacksmith implements of Mr. H. E. Gray, I have opened shop at the Griffin old stand in Columbus and prepared to do blacksmith work and general repairing. Horse-shoeing cheaper than ever. Will furnish shoes and nails and do you a first class job for only 50 cents.

Bring along your work.

Yours to serve, W. M. COVIL.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of a certain mortgage executed on the 1st day of Dec., 1897, by S. M. Davis, and wife, N. J. Davis, to J. T. Walker, to secure certain indebtedness therein named and assigned by the said J. T. Walker, to R. F. Cooley, which mortgage is duly recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for Polk County, in book 14 at page 271 and default having been made in the payment of the same, I will, on Monday, February 3d, 1902, at 12 o'clock, offer for sale at the court house door in Columbus, at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, to satisfy balance due on said mortgage, to wit: \$297.00 with interest, cost and expenses added, the following described land, to wit:

Lying and being in Polk County, North Carolina, on the waters of Reedy Fork of Hensons Creek, adjoining the lands of T. C. Smith, John Davis, Page and others, and bounded as follows:

Beginning on a pine on the south west corner of the field and runs thence with Rice Lancaster's line south 79, west 80 poles to a stone, thence north 13, east 60 poles to a stone, thence north 79, east 80 poles to a stone and pointers on the line of the first Walker tract, thence north 13, east 47 poles to a pine on line of T. C. Page's 118 acre tract, thence with said line north 80, east 36 poles to a stone below the old saw mill place a corner of said tract, and also a corner of Page's 54 acre survey, thence south 70, east 59 poles to a pine a corner of J. K. Deckland's and T. C. Smith's lands, thence with Smith's line south 13, west 76 poles to a stake and pointers on said line, thence to the beginning, containing eighty-four and one-half acres, more or less.

This Jan. 3rd, 1902. J. T. Walker, Mortgagee. J. E. Shipman, Att'y.

Will not Hide my Light under a Bushel.

Gentlemen:—I will not hide my light under a bushel, for I want the people to know what your Gooch's Mexican Syrup has done for me. For four years I have been afflicted with Asthma, and could not get anything to do me any good until I got your Gooch's Mexican Syrup. I took three bottles and it cured me entirely. I give you this hoping it may be the means of saving some one from a horrible and premature death. Yours under obligations, Rev. Thos. B. Warwick, Scott Town, O.

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Mother's Worm Syrup never fails to destroy and remove worms in children. It is cruel not to administer it to them whenever there is need.

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We have made arrangements whereby we can offer the following clubbing rates:

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Tryon, N. C.

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E. H. Green

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Drugs, Paints, Oils, Brushes, Perfumes, Extracts, School Books.

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Fresh candies every week.

Prescriptions carefully compounded.

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Hardware That WILL Wear.

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A large shipment of plows, hoes and farming tools soon to arrive and soon to go at low prices.

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TRYON, N. C.

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COLUMBUS, POLK COUNTY, N. C.

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Write for any information desired to

MISS MAY E. McCLANAHAN, Principal.