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LOCAL NEWS.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 24, 1896.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

## Announcement to Merchants.

To the Merchants of Eastern North Carolina:

We announce that we are now ready to fill your orders for mattresses, having a large stock on hand, and all made in the latest Boston shape. We are the largest manufacturers in the State, and do claim to give you the best Double Cotton Top Mattress, in fancy and plain blue ticking, ever offered before. We have special freight arrangements to all points. Orders filled the day they are received. Order early, as they will be higher.

Very truly,  
Halifax, N. C. HALE BROS.

## Library Notice.

Notice is again given to those who have books belonging to the Scotland Neck Circulating Library to have them in the office of THE COMMONWEALTH by the 2nd day of October. On Friday Oct. 2nd at 3 o'clock p. m., the books will be divided amongst the stockholders, and it is desired that every one be present.

## For Rent!

A good dwelling for rent on Roanoke street. Apply to  
9 17 M. HOFFMAN & BRO.

Dry Goods and merchandise of every kind, are cheaper than we have ever known them. Call and see for yourself.  
N. B. JOSEY.

Wanted, 1000 bales cotton by Nov. 1st. Will pay highest price.  
N. B. JOSEY.

New Goods! New Goods!! Our Fall and Winter Stock is ready for your inspection.  
N. B. JOSEY.

## Vine Hill Female Academy.

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A BOARDING & DAY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

FULL CORPS OF TEACHERS.

Careful instruction in every department. Music department under a skillful musician from New England Conservatory of Music. Elocution and Physical Culture under a student from New England Conservatory College of Oratory and Emerson School of Oratory, Boston. Terms very moderate.

For further particulars address the principal.

MISS LENA H. SMITH,  
79 1/2 Scotland Neck, N. C.

## Warning To Trespassers!

ALL PERSONS are notified that trespassers upon the lands and timber of this Company will be prosecuted. It would be well for those of whom timber has been bought to examine their contracts before cutting anything.

The law is strict and can be found in Acts of 1889, chapter 168. The Company has instructed its attorney to see that it is enforced.

The N. C. Lumber Co.  
4 23 6m Tillery, N. C.

**PISO'S CURE FOR CURS WHILE ALL ELSE FAILS.**  
Best Cough Syrup. Cures Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Hoarseness, and all other ailments of the throat and lungs.  
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## NOTICE!

In pursuance of an order of Court made in the special proceedings entitled Amos Cherry vs. Levy Cherry and others, now pending in the Superior Court of Halifax county, I will on the 17th day of October 1896, sell to the highest bidder in the town of Scotland Neck, that store house and lot in which Albert Hill is now doing business, being lot No. 12 on Block 46 according to the plot of said town. Said sale is made for the purpose of partition among the devisees of the will of the late Wiley Cherry.

This 14th day of Sept. 1896.  
9 17 5t CLAUDE KRITCHIN, Commissioner.

## Notice!

North Carolina—Halifax County, Superior Court, Nov. Term, 1896. Harry Hyman vs. Dinah Hyman.

Let the defendant, Dinah Hyman, take notice that the above entitled action has been begun in said court by the said Harry Hyman against her for a divorce on the ground of abandonment, the summons returnable to the Nov. term of said court, to be held in the town of Halifax on the eighth Monday after the last Monday in September, 1896, when and where defendant is required to appear and answer or demur to the complaint of the said plaintiff.

Given under my hand this 24th day of August 1896.  
STERLING M. GARY,  
8-27-61. Clerk Superior Court.

Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic cures every time. Cost 50 cents a bottle if it cures; not one cent if it does not. For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

## THE SOCIAL SWIM.

Coming and Going Every Week.

Mr. T. L. Scott of Cape Charles, Va., in on a visit to Mr. W. B. Highsmith.

Mr. Joseph Cohen spent the Jewish holiday last week in Tarboro.

Mr. G. W. Bryan went to Rocky Mt. to sell tobacco last week.

Mr. J. D. Ray went to Williamston last week and spent a day with his father.

Mrs. Laban Wilkinson of Leecsville came up last week to visit her father, Mr. Henry Ailsbrook.

Mr. D. M. Swindell returned a few days ago from a trip to Washington, N. C.

Mrs. Latham of Washington, N. C., has been here some days on a visit to Miss Sallie Neal.

Mess. P. C. Cohoon and Chas. McNaughton of Everetts spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Dr. C. C. Christian of Achilles, Va., is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Perry.

Mr. J. H. Branch is visiting the farmers of this section in the interest of Burwell and Cole's warehouse in Enfield.

Mrs. Brown of Petersburg and her sister, Mrs. Evans of Weldon, spent Sunday here on a visit to the family of Mr. J. P. Futrell.

Mr. J. S. Thomas of Rocky Mount spent Tuesday here. He was making a trip through the county in the interest of Gravelly and Petty's warehouse in Rocky Mount.

Miss J. M. Darden of Baltimore came Tuesday to do military work this season with Mrs. W. H. White. Mrs. White will announce her opening next week.

Rev. G. L. Finch, of Pulaski, Va., has accepted a call as pastor of the Baptist churches at Williamston, Hamilton and Everetts. He was here Sunday.

Miss Mary Peters, head nurse in a hospital in Staunton, Va., is home on a visit to her relatives and friends. She has been very successful in her work and now is among the best of trained nurses.

H. C. Wilton, Esq., of Memphis, Tenn., has been here some time on a visit to relatives. He is a prominent railroad man, having been connected with an important line for more than twenty years as book-keeper and treasurer.

Mrs. C. P. Skipper came up from Lumberton last week to join her husband who has been keeping books for Mr. N. B. Josey for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Skipper have taken rooms at Hotel Lawrence.

THE COMMONWEALTH was glad to see in town to-day Mr. D. J. Whichard, editor of the Greenville daily and weekly Reflector. It was a pleasure to have him with us a few hours. He is one of the best newspaper men in the State and gets out one of the best papers, and what is better his columns show that his home people appreciate his efforts for his town.

## Burglars at Work Again.

Last Saturday night the store of M. Hoffman & Bro. was opened and entered by thieves who took out a considerable quantity of goods. The store has a double front, it being two stores joined with an arch-way between. The front door to the old part of the store was opened. The glass was taken from the window and contrivance made to unbar the door in some way. Sunday morning the door was open and goods of various kinds were missed. Mess. J. D. Ray and David Hoffman were sleeping up stairs, but the night being stormy they did not hear the robbers. One hundred dollars reward has been offered for Young Savage, the colored man who eluded officer Dunn some weeks ago, and now Mess. Hoffman & Bro. add twenty-five dollars reward for the capture and conviction of the persons who broke into their store Saturday night. Let the rogues be caught if possible.

## Mr. R. B. Peters Married.

The Tarboro Southerner of last week said: "In this place Tuesday at the residence of the bride's mother, Miss Sallie C. Brown, a charming daughter of the late Capt. R. C. Brown, was married to Mr. R. Brooks Peters, a young, highly respected and successful business man of this place, the junior member of the firm of F. S. Royster & Co. Rev. J. B. Morton officiated. Henry B. McNair was best man with Miss Cora Brown, the bride's sister, as maid of honor. The other attendants were Clarence Johnson with Miss Mary Peters, of Richmond, the groom's sister; W. O. Howard with Miss Lillie Edmondson, of Goldsboro. Miss Daisy Gillespie played the 'wedding march.' The dwelling was tastefully decorated. Many valuable and useful presents were given by friends.

"An elegant luncheon was spread for the few invited friends, after which Mr. and Mrs. Peters left for Baltimore and other Northern cities."

Purify your blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla, which will give you an appetite, tone your stomach and strengthen your nerves.

## Pick-Pockets get in Their Work.

Pick-pockets got in their work all through the State as they followed the Bryan special train. At Raleigh they robbed many people. At Rocky Mount they put in good work. Several persons from this county were robbed. Among those whose names we have learned are Dr. M. T. Sayge \$49, Lee Whitaker \$15, J. J. W. Mitchell \$18, W. E. Barkley \$12, and perhaps several others we do not now remember.

Sunday's News & Observer gave the following account of their arrest between Weldon and Portsmouth:

"Capt. T. H. Chavasse, the clever Seaboard Air-Line conductor, appears in a new role. He is the champion pick-pocket catcher in these parts.

"His train going to Portsmouth and the 'Bryan Special' going to Richmond crossed at Weldon. His train was packed with people. The pick-pockets were tired of following Mr. Bryan everywhere and decided they would take a day off from their regular business and run down to Norfolk on Capt. Chavasse's train.

"The harvest of jays was white and the industrious garnerers began to gather in the sheaves as soon as the train moved off from Weldon.

"Capt. Chavasse spotted two of the light-fingered gentry at one. The sheriff of Northampton was aboard, and he was notified.

"When the train reached Garysburg, two of the thieves saw the trap they were falling into and jumped from the cars. The sheriff jumped too and gave chase. The thieves were armed; they pulled their pistols and fired several times, but the sheriff got out his shooting iron, called a halt and took them in tow.

"The constable at Suffolk was wired that pick-pockets were abroad, and he met the train at the station. He walked in, calmly looked through the coaches and spotted his men in a moment. There were four of them, sitting near together, but in separate seats. The constable wore a cap like a train-man's and when he said politely, 'Gentlemen, will you kindly make more room by taking seats together,' they took seats together without hesitation.

"He stepped to the car-door, locked it, walked up to the four who were bunched, and drew his pistol on them. They started to resist, but he had them dead and they calmed down.

"Portsmouth had been telegraphed to, and policemen were waiting for the train.

"The men gave their names as Edward Lawrence, F. C. McClelland, Peter Howard and Harry Martin, and said they were travelling for pleasure.

"Capt. Chavasse said a complete outfit of pick-pockets' tools were discovered on the fellows.

"The two pick-pockets captured by the sheriff of Northampton at Garysburg were tried. They were bound over to the Superior court in a bond of \$200 each. But they were flush. Each paid his \$200 down in cash, and the pair shook the Tar Heel dust from their feet.

## KILLING AT ROCKY MOUNT.

(Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.)

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., Sept. 19, '96. After the speaking at this place last Friday there was a sad murder committed, wholly without a cause. John Jordan of Battleboro killed Baldy Catlett of Nashville. They were both drunk and had a little drunken dispute, which all supposed was settled and Catlett turned to go out of the bar when Jordan drew his pistol and shot him three times in the back from which he fell but recovered and ran out of the bar and up the street for twenty yards or more and fell and died in a few minutes. Both of the men were white.

Catlett was a farm laborer and had a wife and three little children, left entirely homeless and without means. Jordan is a mechanic, has a wife and four children.

Chief of Police, Calhoun, arrested Jordan immediately and put him in the lock-up and he had a preliminary hearing to-day, the 19th and will be committed to Nashville jail by the evening train. The writer is personally acquainted with both of the men and was present when Catlett died. Catlett was a hard-working, honorable man. Jordan was very fussy when drinking.

## Democratic Speaking.

F. D. Winston, Esq., Elector for the Second Congressional District, and the Hon. F. A. Woodard will discuss the political issues of the day at the following times and places: Hobgood, Sept. 28th 2 o'clock; Tarboro, Sept. 29th; Enfield, Sept. 30th; Littleton, Oct. 1st; Wise, Oct. 2nd; Warrenton, Oct. 3rd.  
W. A. DUNN,  
Chairman Dis. Ex. Com.

## County Temperance Meeting.

The quarterly meeting of Halifax County Temperance Association will be held at Brinkleyville, Tuesday September 29th. There will be an afternoon session and a night session. It is desired and hoped that there will be a full attendance, and the representatives of the temperance cause from various parts of the county will be there.

Can't Scotland Neck send a good delegation?

## Mr. McQueen's Address.

Rev. Stewart McQueen of Goldsboro delivered an address before the church Guild in the Episcopal church here last Monday night.

He spoke of the work of caring for the orphans. He spoke easily and interestingly on the subject, putting the theory of orphan work on very high ground, declaring that the brother-hood of man is world-wide. The whole race of man are our neighbors, he said, and the wide world our neighborhood.

The speaker referred to the fact that among heathen nations there were no institutions of charity and benevolence and that the work of charity, which is love, is purely characteristic of christian civilization.

Mr. McQueen is a free and easy speaker, has a fund of knowledge which he readily imparts, and his address Monday night was enjoyed by all who heard him.

## Help

Is needed by poor, tired mothers, overworked and burdened with care, debilitated and run down because of poor, thin and impoverished blood. Help is needed by the nervous sufferer, the men and women tortured with rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, scrofula, catarrh. Help

## Comes Quickly

When Hood's Sarsaparilla begins to enrich, purify and vitalize the blood, and sends it in a healing, nourishing, invigorating stream to the nerves, muscles and organs of the body. Hood's Sarsaparilla builds up the weak and broken down system, and cures all blood diseases, because

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Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills are the only pills safe to take with it.

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For the sale and purchase of Leaf Tobacco,

NOW READY FOR THE 1896 CROP.

We have a good Corps of liberal buyers with orders sufficient to take, at its full market value, all tobacco that may be placed on our market. We have a commodious, well lighted and arranged WAREHOUSE for showing fine tobacco to the best possible advantage. Large orders, ample capital, long experience enables us to guarantee at all times

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WE HANDLE NOTHING BUT RELIABLE GOODS AND SELL THEM AT REASONABLE PRICES. CALL ON US FOR DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, HATS AND CAPS, CLOTHING, SHOES, UMBRELLAS, CROCKERY, LOUNGES, GLASS-WARE, TIN-WARE, WOOD-WARE, HARD-WARE, TRUNKS AND TRAVELING BAGS, AND GROCERIES.

## FURNITURE!

Lace Curtains and Curtain Poles, Carpets and Floor Oil Cloth. If you want the best Shoes for Ladies call for Zeigler Bros., and for men we have Reynolds's the best known shoe in America.

## Clothing, Clothing.

Our Clothing Stock is immense and we can sell you good all-wool Men's Suits from \$2.50 up and Children's Suits from \$1.00 to as fine as you want them. Call and see our stock before you purchase elsewhere and we will save you money.

## M. HOFFMAN & BRO.

## BOYD'S

WAREHOUSE,  
ENFIELD, N. C.

To the Farmers---greeting:

Our market is now in full swing, and we are here to serve you. We have a commodious and well lighted Warehouse, ample Prize House, full force of competent help, and will give best personal attention to our Patrons and their stock. With a

## STRONG CORPS OF BUYERS,

With orders for all tobacco that may be offered, we have no hesitation in guaranteeing full market value for all tobacco sold

On Our Floor.

Give us a trial and you will go home a happy man.

## Boyd & Young,

PROPRIETORS.

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## Wanted—An Idea

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Product your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN W. WEDDERBURN, Patent Attorney, Washington, D. C., for their list of new ideas and list of some hundred inventors.