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Mayor, J. L. Fleming.
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CHURCHES.

Baptist. Services every Sunday (except fourth) morning and night. Prayer meeting Thursday night. Rev. C. M. Billings, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. C. D. Rountree, Sup't.
Catholic. No regular services.
Episcopal. Services every fourth Sunday morning and night. Rev. A. Greaves, Rector. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. W. B. Brown, Sup't.
Methodist. Services every Sunday morning and night. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. Rev. G. F. Smith, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. A. B. Ellington, Sup't.
Presbyterian. Services every third Sunday morning and night. Prayer meeting Tuesday night. Rev. R. W. Hines, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. B. D. Evans, Sup't.

LODGES.

Covenant Lodge No. 17. I. O. O. F., meets every Tuesday night. Dr. W. H. Bagwell, N. G.
 Greenville Lodge No. 28. A. F. & A. M., meets first and third Monday nights. W. M. King, W. M.

JUGGLING WITH WORDS.

A Spurious Sort of Wit, But Entertaining Sometimes.

Some Clever Instances That Have Been Preserved in English History—A Little Tie in Verse Between Oxford and Cambridge.

Punning, or playing on words, though occasionally very clever, is a spurious kind of wit, says Peterson's Magazine. The following lines, however, by Lord Erskine upon Lady Payne introduce a similar play upon words:

"Tis true I am ill, but I need not complain, For he never knew pleasure who never knew Payne."

The poet Shenstone, author of the well-known lines about the warmth of a traveler's welcome to an inn, wrote this couplet upon a resident in the carpet weaving town of Kidderminster, who poured forth floods of verse:

"Thy verses, friend, are Kidderminster stuff, And I must own you've measured out enough."

James Smith is the author of a good epigram of the punning kind on a daughter who asked her father, as the dear girls do, for money:

"Dear Belle, to gain money, sure silence is best, For dumb Bells are fittest to open the chest."

The rivalry between the universities of Oxford and Cambridge has produced, as might naturally be expected, many neat epigrams. Oxford, even as late as the reign of George I., was persistently Jacobite; and when the house of Hanover came in that famous "home of lost causes" favored the pretender. The king sent some cavalry to the city of Oxford to keep the peace, and about the same time his majesty happened to present a library to the University of Cambridge. Here was a chance for an epigram, which an Oxonian promptly availed himself of in these lines:

The king, observing with judicious eyes The state of both his universities, To Oxford sent a troop of horse, and why? That learned body wanted loyalty. To Cambridge books he sent, as well discerning How much that loyal body wanted learning.

To which charge of lack of learning a Cambridge graduate cleverly replied:

The king to Oxford sent a troop of horse, For torries own no argument but force; With equal skill to Cambridge books he sent, For whigs admit no force but argument.

While on the subject of the universities it may be well to quote the following lines, which give a curious reason for the amount of learning possessed by Oxford and Cambridge: No wonder that Oxford and Cambridge profound.

In wisdom and science so richly abound, When all carry thither a little each day, And we meet with so few who bring any away.

Dr. Parr, who attended on Queen Caroline to read prayers and perform other services, was succeeded in these duties by a man named Fellowes. Hence this epigram:

There's a difference between Dr. Parr and the queen; For the reason you need not go far: The doctor is jealous Of certain little Fellowes Whom the queen thinks much above Parr.

In a similar vein is the following

epigram upon a certain Bishop Goodenough, who was about to preach before the house of lords:

"Tis well enough that Goodenough Before the lords should preach; For sure enough they're bad enough He undertakes to teach."

Mohammedan Tree Worship.

To a certain degree the inhabitants of all the Mohammedan countries are worshippers of the tree known as the date palm. One of the prophet's most supreme and binding injunctions is: "Honor thy paternal aunt; the date palm, for in paradise was it created, and from the very heap of dust out of which Adam's body was formed."

The Mohammedans also have a tradition to the effect that when Adam and Eve were driven from the garden they were allowed to take with them a date seed, and that from that single seed sprang all the date trees now known. By some admirable providence the original date seed was planted and the tree grew where the temple of Mecca now stands, and from its trunk was hewn the cradle which often lulled the infant Mahomet to sleep. The Mohammedans declare that all prayers are fulfilled which are made with the knees pressing upon palm wood, or with the same kind of wood in the hand.—St. Louis Republic.

Abraham Lincoln's Grandfather.

R. T. Durrett, of Louisville, at one time an editorial writer on the Courier-Journal, in a letter to City Controller Sturgeon, makes the following reference to the grandfather of Abraham Lincoln:

"The grandfather of President Lincoln settled in Jefferson county, Ky., in 1780 on a tract of 500 acres of land, where the old Long Run Baptist meeting-house now stands. The land bears date of March 4, 1780, and his name appears in it as 'Abraham Linkhorn.' He was killed on his land by the Indians in 1786. Morgan Hughes also owned a tract of 500 acres of land adjoining the Lincoln tract, and, like Lincoln, was one of the earliest settlers of Jefferson county. On this land of Hughes an old station, known as Hughes' station, was built at an early date, and Lincoln was residing in this station when he was killed by the Indians."

Mischief Done by Wind.

When the prince president, on his journey through France, came to Bordeaux a triumphal arch had been erected for him by the prefect at the entrance of the town. A wreath suspended from a rope was to be let down upon his head, and the arch bore this inscription: "He has well deserved it." But a gust of wind carried off the wreath, so there was nothing left but the rope with the legend: "He has well deserved it."—Le Figaro.

WILMINGTON & WILSON R. R. AND BRANCHES, AND FLORENCE RAIL ROAD.

Condensed Schedule.

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

Dated Mar. 25, 1895.	No. 28 Daily.	No. 35 Daily.	No. 41 Daily.
Leave Weldon	A. M. 5:50	P. M. 10:37	A. M.
Ar Rocky Mt	12:57	10:20	
Lv Tarboro	12:20		
Lv Rocky Mt	1:05	10:20	6:00
Lv Wilson	2:03	11:03	
Lv Selma	2:53		
Lv Fayetteville	4:30	12:53	
Ar Florence	7:15	3:00	
Lv Wil-son	2:08		6:35
Lv Goldsboro	2:55		7:20
Lv Magnolia	4:02		8:20
Ar Wilmington	5:30		10:00

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

Dated Mar. 25, 1895.	No. 28 Daily.	No. 32 Daily.	No. 40 Daily.
Lv Florence	A. M. 8:15	P. M. 7:35	
Lv Fayetteville	10:55	9:35	
Lv Selma	12:32		
Ar Wilson	1:20	11:28	
Lv Wilmington	9:20		7:00
Lv Magnolia	10:56		8:31
Lv Goldsboro	12:05		9:40
Ar Wilson	1:00		10:27
Lv Wilson	P. M. 1:30	P. M. 11:32	P. M. 10:32
Ar Rocky Mt	2:33	12:07	11:15
Ar Tarboro	2:48		
Lv Tarboro			
Lv Rocky Mt	2:33	12:07	
Ar Weldon	3:48	12:50	

Train on Scotland Neck Branch Road leaves Weldon 3.40 p. m., Halifax 4.00 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 4.55 p. m., Greenville 6.37 p. m., Kinston 7.35 p. m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.20 a. m., Greenville 8.22 a. m., Arriving Halifax at 11.00 a. m., Weldon 11.20 am daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 7.00 a. m., arrives Parmele 8.40 p. m., Tarboro 9.50; returning leaves Tarboro 4.50 p. m., Parmele 6.10 p. m., arrives Washington 7.35 p. m. Daily except Sunday. Connects with trains on Scotland Neck Branch.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., via Altemarle & Raleigh R. R. daily except Sunday, at 5.00 p. m., Sunday 3.00 P. M.; arrive Plymouth 9.20 P. M., 5.20 p. m. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 5.30 a. m., Sunday 9.30 a. m., arrive Tarboro 10.25 a. m and 11.45 a. m.

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