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WHAT PLUCK WILL DO.

This Young Man Runs His Own Business.

There is a young man in this county, a farmer, who has made a record during the last five years of which he is justly entitled to feel proud, and while we are not at liberty to use his name there are a few points connected with his business management that will be beneficial and serviceable to the public to know.

About seven years ago that young man came into possession of what had once been a highly improved and valuable farm in the western section of this county, but with his possession came a heavy debt. Through several years of bad management the farm had passed under the tenant system by which the land was cultivated, it had become very much impoverished and the yield was very poor. The time had been when there were plenty of splendid outhouses, barns, stables and tenement houses, but these were all dilapidated and the most of them absolutely worthless so far as comfort or convenience were concerned. The farm house, a handsome structure when first built in ante-bellum times, had decayed and the wall around it was all rotten and gone. The ditch banks and hedge rows had grown up and here and there all over the farm were evidences of the soil and other evidences of thriftlessness and neglect. In this condition as above stated about seven years ago he came into possession of this farm with an incumbrance upon it of over two thousand dollars. With no money to make a start he was compelled to go in debt for team and farming implements and utensils and by the time he was ready to start his first crop it can be readily seen that he was in debt very near three thousand dollars. The first two years he made nothing to pay upon his old debts, and so five years ago he made a new start with a different determination and different management. Since that time he says he has stayed at home and attended to his own business. He farms entirely by the tenant system but he has it understood in written contracts with his tenants that he is the business manager of the farm, and that each crop must be cultivated and managed under his instructions and that they together work for each others mutual interests. He says that he has no trouble with his tenants and that each recognizes that whatever is for one is for the other interests. He lives exclusively at home, seldom leaving except upon business.

He lives within twenty minutes ride of a prosperous little village but never spends his time loitering around discussing politics with the idle ones always to be found around such places, keeps his own books, manages his own business and pushes his farming interests with the same degree of business judgment that he would were he engaged in the mercantile or any other business that required skill and judgment. A few days ago it was the writer's pleasure to spend a few hours on this farm. An entirely different spectacle is presented now from the dilapidated and neglected farm of five years ago. The hedge rows have been mowed down and are in cultivation, the fence locks are clean, the water has been trained around the hill sides and this waste land is being recovered. Instead of the old decayed log barn and stables, large, comfortable and convenient framed ones have been built. Several nice tobacco barns and a large pack house have been built. Instead of the old and weather beaten tenant houses, new and comfortable ones have taken their place and the whole plantation has about it an air of improvement and bustle. The neighbors say the land has increased in productiveness almost double, and

now listen, with all these improvements that have been added which have increased the value of the farm very near or quite double what it was five years ago, the owner says that last fall he could have paid every dollar of the indebtedness if he had not reserved the money to make some more improvements this year. In other words he is so nearly out of debt that he has personal property enough to pay all he owes. Now isn't this a good record and one which the majority of the farmers of the county would do well to imitate? This young man certainly has right to feel proud and under ordinary circumstances he has a future full of promise. It is his plan of business management that has done it.

O. L. J.

Roanoke Union.

The Roanoke Union of the Tar River Baptist Association will meet at Scotland Neck on May 29-31, 1896.

PROGRAMME—FRIDAY:

11 a. m.—Introductory Sermon—Rev. E. D. Wells.
2:30 p. m.—Organization.
3:00 p. m.—What has been accomplished by Our Union?—Rev. R. T. Vann.
4:00 p. m.—General Question Box—Answers by Chairman.
8:00 p. m.—Sermon.

SATURDAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Services—Rev. E. J. Edwards.
10 a. m.—The Christian Citizen—W. E. Daniel, Esq., Revs. J. A. McKaughan and W. V. Savage.
11 a. m.—Obligation and Best Methods of Propagating Denominational Principles—Revs. J. R. Pace, F. T. Wooten and J. O. Alderman.
2:30 p. m.—The Ideal Deacon—Rev. J. K. Howell.
3:00 p. m.—The Religious Press—Revs. J. A. Rood, E. J. Edwards and E. D. Wells.
4:00 p. m.—The Proper Attitude of Baptists towards State Aid to Higher Education—Rev. J. W. Powell and W. A. Dunn, Esq.
8:00 p. m.—The Baptist Orphanage—Mr. Archibald Johnson.

SUNDAY.

Services according to order of Union.

Bitten by a Spider.

Wednesday afternoon Mr. Jesse Tyson, living about four miles from town, wanted to come to Greenville on business. He hitched up his horse to come and went in the house to put on his coat. As he started out again he remarked to his wife that something had bit him on the shoulder. He started on to town without thinking anything serious of it, but after coming about two miles began to feel sick and dizzy. By the time he reached town he was suffering intensely and drove at once to the office of Dr. Zeno Brown. The latter was in the country but his father, Dr. William Brown, began treating Mr. Tyson until Dr. Zeno Brown should return.

The doctor tells us that Mr. Tyson was in a right bad condition, but is now improving and he hopes soon will be all right again. His suffering threw him into convulsions for a while. It is supposed that the trouble was caused by the bite of a spider that had taken refuge in Mr. Tyson's coat while it was hanging up in his house.

A New Style.

Statesville folks not only keep up with the styles but they set new ones. Yesterday afternoon a gentleman took a lady riding, she going on her wheel and he on horseback. Just how they enjoyed it we are not advised, but that is the style they went in and it's something new.—Statesville Landmark.

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THURSDAY, MAY 14TH, 1896.

A Boy's Reason.

"When I grow up," said little Jack to his father "I am going to be just like you, papa."
 "That's sweet of you to say," said his father.

"Well, I mean it," said Jack. "What a snap you do have with mamma around to wait on you!"

A Jolly Centenarian.

Miss Sallie Braswell who lives near Braswell's X Roads will be one hundred years old if she lives to see next Christmas. She is cheerful and bright but can not walk. She has a good friend in her octogenarian neighbor, Mrs. Margaret Bell, who is eighty three and lives a few miles from her. Not long ago Miss Braswell sent a message to Mrs. Bell asking her to come over the first day of May "and let's hold the glass over the well to draw our sweethearts."
 —Scotland Neck Democrat.

How to Enjoy Prayer Meeting.

Attend regular and punctually.
 Study the subject in advance.
 Come expecting a blessing.
 Bring a friend with you.
 Be one of the first to take part.
 Join heartily in the singing.
 Don't think about the engagement to-morrow.
 Listen always like hearing a will, to see how much there is for you.
 After the meeting greet as many as you courteously can; strangers first, friends afterward.
 Finally, if you did enjoy the meeting, say so; see its points and speak of them, so will you see more and more to approve and enjoy increasingly.

The Northern Methodist General Conference Believe Firmly in Social Equality.

CLEVELAND, O., May 11.—The Methodist General Conference put itself on record again on the race question this morning by adopting a resolution introduced by the Rev. Dr. H. A. Monroe, of Delaware, endorsing the treatment that Cleveland hotels have accorded to all the delegates, regardless of color, and demanding that wherever it is decided to hold the Conference in the future a guarantee be obtained of equal treatment.

A resolution was referred announcing that the Methodist Church recognized no color or caste, and stating that if the Conference elected a negro bishop it was not to be considered class legislation.

Commenting on the above the Charlotte Observer says:

"The Northern and Southern Methodists are considering the question of getting together. A representative of the Southern Methodist church attended the present General Conference at Cleveland, O. A resolution so nearly in favor of social equality as that adopted yesterday at Cleveland, declaring that it should not be considered class legislation if a negro bishop were elected, we imagine will act as a check upon the Southern branch of the church."

There's Danger in Idleness.

It is not uncommon to see about almost any town or village a number of boys and young men between the ages of ten and twenty doing nothing. A little observation will disclose to those who had not thought about it the fact that there are many such boys and young men spending their time in idleness.

This is very dangerous. Habits of carelessness and disposition to indolence grow on the young under such circumstances to a degree that sooner or later will startle them and mortify their parents.

Men sometimes say they are not willing for their boys to work unless they get good pay for it. Well, if a boy is worth good pay it is all the better if he can get full value of his time and labor; but it is better for the young to be all the while employed, when not in school, whether there is one cent's visible profit in it or not. There is great profit to be realized some time in the future by the boy or young man who is taught in his early years to be constantly at some kind of employment.

Parents are sometimes too careless about where their boys are and what they are not doing.

Whether it is admitted by idle boys or not, or whether it is realized by their parents or not, there is nothing truer in the sayings of men of this world than that "An idle brain is the devil's workshop."—Scotland Neck Democrat.

His Maiden Speech.

The rising young politician had prepared an elaborate speech for the occasion. He rose in response to loud calls for him and felt in his inside pocket for the manuscript. It was gone. It had slipped through a hole in the bottom.

The situation was a terrible one, but the self-possession of the rising young politician did not forsake him. Letting his hand remain in the breast of his coat he looked fearlessly out over the assembly.

"My fellow citizens," he said, I have no words in which to express my thanks for the honor you have done me in selecting me as one of your standard bearers in this campaign, and I will simply ask you to join me—"

He was interrupted by deafening cheers, in which the other orators on the platform heartily joined.

The situation was still more terrible. He had intended merely to propose three cheers for the ticket, but the audience had jumped hastily to the conclusion that he was extending an invitation of another kind.

Still he did not lose his head.

"I see fellow citizens," he resumed with a smile, as soon as he could make himself heard again, "you understand me. Come on!"

He seized his hat and the meeting adjourned at once to the saloon on the floor below. He had made the hit of the evening.—Chicago Tribune.

Moving to town.

Too many people are dazzled by the tinsel and show of the city and town. They think that to live in the city or fashionable town is far preferable to living in the dull and uneventful rural district; and sometimes persons with no manner of employment in the city or town leave the country and move in just where they "can see something."

Those who have good homes in the country will do well to count the cost very carefully before they leave them for haphazard business about town. And those who have no home and are really poor in the country, will do well also to ponder well the chances against them before they move to the town or city without first securing at least some fair employment.

The Democrat likes to see the town build up, but we do not wish to see people make their condition worse by moving to town without good employment or some independent means of support.

Generally poor people can more nearly maintain their independence in the country than in the town or city.—Scotland Neck Democrat.

Protect American Citizens.

The fact that the authorities in Havana have ordered shottwo Americans captured, or rather taken on board of the schooner Competitor several days since, is attracting no end of attention, as it ought to do, and the opinion is general that the United States should protect them at any cost. The men have a right to be tried by a civil court, instead of a court-martial, which latter course has been pursued, with the result as stated above, and unless this Government lays down its ultimatum the imprisoned Americans will be sacrificed to Spanish ferocity.

It appears that the condemned men were not acting in a hostile manner to the Government of Spain; they were not taken with arms in hand, and save the fact that they were found aboard of a vessel held in suspicion by the authorities of Cuba there was no reason why they should have been molested at all, and their conviction and condemnation is an outrage upon American citizenship which should not rest for a moment. It is true that Secretary of State Olney has remonstrated, but should this not avail, then the strong arm of the Government should be brought in play and that too at once.—Norfolk Virginian.

Rev. Dr. J. A. Preston, who is preaching a series of sermons on the life of Saul, in his discourse Sunday night, remarked upon the undue haste with which public men of to-day present themselves for high office. He contrasted it vividly with the modesty which characterized the first king of Israel, who, when the time drew on for his coronation, was found "hid among the stuff." Nathaniel Macon, who in the history of the Old North State, measures up shoulder to shoulder with Zebulon B. Vance, had constantly to be urged to accept office, and was elected to the Senate of the United States without his own knowledge. These words in an exchange fall under our eyes; "It was said, in 1856, of the committee who visited Wheatland to notify James Buchanan of his nomination to the presidency, that they found the 'old functionary' in his garden hoeing his potatoes." There is no modern Cincinnati, however, nor need we expect to find the statesman of to-day "hid among the stuff." And with the mad rush for preferment, the feeling of responsibility to the people, which so characterized the fathers of the republic, is disappearing, and our trusted servants too often forget that "public office is a public trust."—Charlotte Observer.

The latest freak in the horse line is a pony with a tail sixteen feet long. This is a 16 to 1 pony.—Wilmington Star.

Life is a Game.

"Life," said the sentimental young man, "is like a game of cards."
 "It is more like a game of chess to me," said the man who rents. "I move once a year."—Indianapolis Journal.

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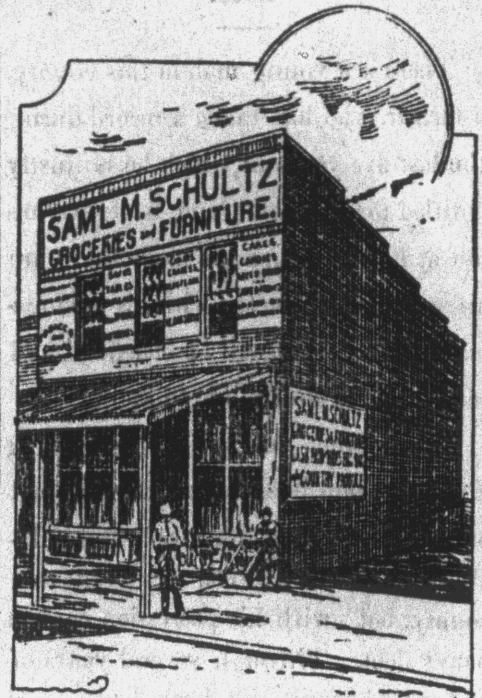
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Sugar cured Hams	10 to 12 1/2
Corn	40 to 60
Corn Meal	50 to 65
Flour, Family	4.25 to 5.00
Lard	5 1/2 to 10
Oats	35 to 40
Sugar	4 to 6
Coffee	15 to 25
Salt per Sack	80 to 175
Chickens	10 to 25
Eggs per doz	10 to 11
Beeswax, per	20

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Below are Norfolk prices of cotton and peanuts for yesterday, as furnished by Cobb Bros. & Commission Merchants of Norfolk:

COTTON:	
Good Middling	8 1/2
Middling	7 1/2
Low Middling	7 1/4
Good Ordinary	6 13-16
Tone—dull.	
PEANUTS.	
Prime	3 1/2
Extra Prime	3 3/4
Mancy	3 1/2
Spanish	\$1.10 ba
Tone—firm.	

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BY O. L. JOYNER.

TOPS—Green	1 to 2 1/2
" Bright	4 to 8
" Red	3 to 4
LEGS—Common	4 to 6
" Good	7 to 15
" Fine	12 to 18
CUTTERS—Common	6 to 11
" Good	12 1/2 to 20
" Fine	15 to 27 1/2

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Coastwise schedule

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

Table with columns: Dated April 24th 1896, No. 23 Daily, No. 35 Daily, No. 41 Daily, A. M., P. M.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

Table with columns: Dated April 20, 1896, No. 78 Daily, No. 82 Daily, No. 40 Daily, A. M., P. M.

Train on Scotland Neck Branch Road leaves Weldon 3.55 p. m., Halifax 4.1 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 4.55 p. m., Greenville 6.47 p. m., Kinston 7.45 p. m.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a. m. and 3.00 p. m., arrives Pamlico 9.40 a. m. and 4.40 p. m., Tarboro 9.45 a. m., returning leaves Tarboro 3.30 p. m., Pamlico 10.20 a. m. and 6.20 p. m., arrives Washington 11.50 a. m. and 7.10 p. m.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., via Albemarle & Raleigh R. R., daily except Sunday, at 4.50 p. m., Sunday 3.00 P. M. arrive Plymouth 9.00 P. M., 5.25 p. m.

Train on Midland N. C. branch leaves Goldsboro daily, except Sunday, 6.00 a. m., arriving Smithfield 7.30 a. m. Returning leaves Smithfield 8.00 a. m., arrives at Goldsboro 9.30 a. m.

Trains in Nashville branch leave Rocky Mount at 4.30 p. m., arrive Nashville 5.05 p. m., Spring Hope 5.30 p. m. Returning leave Spring Hope 8.30 a. m., Nashville 8.30 a. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 9.05 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Trains on Latta branch, Florence R. R., leave Latta 6.40 p. m., arrive Dunbar 7.50 p. m., Chocoma 8.05 p. m. Returning leave Chocoma 10 a. m., Dunbar 6.30 a. m., arrive Latta 7.50 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton daily, except Sunday, 11.10 a. m. and 8.50 p. m. Returning leaves Clinton at 7.00 a. m. and 3.00 p. m.

Train No. 78 makes close connection at Weldon for all points daily, all rail via Richmond, also at Rocky Mount with Norfolk and Carolina R. R. for Norfolk and all points North via Norfolk.

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THOUGHT IT WAS "PIANO TALK."

Abstracted Clerk Who Got Into Trouble with an Inquisitive Guest.

An absent-minded clerk and an inquisitive guest managed to get tangled up on an argument at the Waldorf that almost led to blows. Both were perfectly innocent in the matter, but enough ill-feeling was engendered to justify an international dispute.

"What is going on in there?" The clerk jabbed his pen in the inkstand and replied tersely: "I guess it is a bird recital."

Then he continued his writing with never a quiver of an eyelash. The inquisitive guest contracted his eyebrows, then he looked for a lurking gleam of amusement in the clerk's eye, but found none.

The clerk never raised his eyebrows, but muttered something about "four and seven make eleven and—" adding hurriedly:

"I don't know, but I think it's a piano talk."

The mystery was deepening, and the inquisitive man saw no way out of the difficulty except to go and see for himself. He could detect nothing in the clerk's manner that warranted him in believing that he was being made the butt of a joke.

"What did you say was going on in that room?"

The clerk was startled at the gruff tone and looked up from his book. He saw that the man was angry clear through, and he wondered at his persistence in asking about the entertainment.

"I said I was not sure, but I thought it was a piano recital."

"No you didn't!" thundered the inquisitive man.

"What did I say?" asked the clerk, meekly.

"You said first it was a bird recital," said the man. "And then you said it was a piano talk, and now you say it's a piano recital. I'm not in the habit of being gayed, and you knew what it was all the time, for you told me straight enough when you knew I had found out. I paid two dollars just to find out what was going on in that hole, so I could catch you straight. You are altogether too recent for this place. I didn't—"

The guest might have gone on talking indefinitely, had not the clerk apologized in the most penitent manner. He said, contritely:

"Well, you see it is this way. We have bird talks, piano recitals, musicals, picture exhibitions, and I don't know how many other kinds of affairs, in there. I was busy with the books and I got tangled up. I did not mean to mislead you." The guest was mollified, but he is not sure yet that he was not being "jollied," to use his own expression.—N. Y. Tribune.

A Busy Bee.

If there is anything more dangerous than industrious than a woman let loose in the spring with a pot of green paint it is the small boy who owns any apparatus for making his mark. Not long ago some misguided parents furnished an enterprising urchin with a stencil stamp and ink pad which would print the family name. No special warnings on the subject were considered necessary, but one fatal day the mother of the lad made a startling discovery in her handkerchief box.

"Wasn't that nice in me, mamma, to print your name so big on all your handkerchiefs?" — Louisville-Courier

When Booms Stop.

Easterner—I understand the great land boom at Dugout City has collapsed. Westerner—Yes, but use keeping it going any longer. All the land is now owned by outsiders.—N. Y. Weekly.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—The deepest well on the Atlantic coast is said to be at the silk works near Northampton, Mass.; depth, 3,700 feet.

—Life insurance experts contend that a woman who is in good health at the age of 45 is likely to outlive a man of the same age, because she is, as a rule, more temperate in habits and is less liable to accidents.

—A New York magistrate has decided that a passenger on a street car which had been delayed, the passenger taking another car of the same line to continue his journey, need not pay fare a second time.

—Canada lynxes have multiplied greatly in Maine during the past few years, and the woodsmen fear that if they continue to increase at the same rate they will prove dangerous and destructive to other game, especially to fawns.

—Twenty descendants of the pilgrims who landed at Plymouth on the Mayflower met in Boston the other day and formed the Boston chapter of the "Society of Mayflower Descendants," which was organized in New York city two years ago.

—Slate pencils are now manufactured of bone. They are not likely, however, to meet with approval to the small boy, as they are unbreakable, and, still worse, noiseless. The peculiar and delightfully shrill, musical screech of the old-fashioned slate pencil is naturally a great source of amusement to the young.

—"All birds court in the spring," says Olive Thorne Miller, "although it has been discovered by recent investigations that the majority of them keep the same mates for life. Nevertheless, when that season comes around each year the male bird goes through the same demonstrations and makes every effort to charm his spouse anew."

—With the temperature at 20 degrees below zero the patriotic citizens of Houlton, Me., held a public meeting to make preparations for celebrating the Fourth of July. It is proposed to make the celebration of the Fourth this year the biggest thing in its way that has been seen in that part of Maine, and it was necessary to begin in good season.

No Business to Notice It.

See the young woman at the railway station.

She is waiting to meet relatives who are coming on the train.

See her rush eagerly to meet them. They have come.

They are her dear cousins.

See the haste with which she runs to kiss Cousin Arabella.

She doesn't lose an instant.

But she is not in such a hurry to kiss Cousin Jack.

When she sees him approaching she does not hasten.

She seems almost provoked because he wants to kiss her.

She keeps him waiting while—

She lifts her veil.—Chicago Tribune.

At the Eleventh Hour.

Deacon Yallerby (with austerity)—I see dat yo' had chickens fo' dinnah las' Sunday, Er'er Blackie, though yo' am so long out o' work.

Mose Blackie—Ya-as, deacon; I got er' little job 'round a hen-house late Saturday night!—Texas Sittings.

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Passenger and mail train going north, arrives 8:22 A. M. Going South, arrives 6:47 P. M.
North Bound Freight, arrives 9:50 A. M., leaves 10:10 A. M.
South Bound Freight, arrives 2:00 P. M., leaves 2:15 P. M.
Steamer Tar River arrives from Washington Monday, Wednesday and Friday leaves for Washington Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Fair in the interior, showers near the coast to-night, Friday fair.

MAY MORSELS.

For Munching in the New Month.

To-day has been a perspiration hunter.

Vermont Butter for sale at D. S. Smith.

Best 5 cent Cigars in town at J. L. Starkey & Bro's.

Prayer meeting to-night at the Baptist church.

Hecker's Prepared Buckwheat at the Old Brick Store.

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S. F. Dunn, general lumber dealer, Scotland Neck, solicits orders for lumber. See advertisement.

Pittjohn's Breakfast Food, 15 cents a package, at the Old Brick Store.

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The children of the Baptist Sunday school are rehearsing for a children's day exercises to be had on Sunday night.

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Some of the little ladies came to us to subscribe for an interesting little paper called "The Colporter." It is published at the extremely low price of ten cents a year, and contains interesting reading, for both young and old.

MAY MOVERS.

People Found by the Reflector X Rays.

Mrs. J. S. Smith is sick.

Mrs. M. D. Higgs is sick this week.

N. H. Whitfield went to Raleigh to-day.

Mrs. W. T. Godwin has been sick several days.

Tom King, who has been at his home in this county on a furlough, returned to-day to Fortress Monroe.

W. H. Barnes and B. Riddick, of Suffolk, Va., came down Wednesday evening to begin work on the Elliott Block.

Mrs. H. L. Fennell, of Wilmington, arrived Wednesday evening to visit her brothers, Dr. D. L. and F. G. James.

A. R. Dupree, mail clerk between Rocky Mount and Plymouth, came down Wednesday evening to spend a few days.

S. C. Hamilton, P. H. Gorman, W. B. James, Frank Wilson, E. M. Check and G. J. Woodard took an excursion to Washington to-day on the gas boat "Mystery."

If you want a good smoke try an El Sultan Cigar made especially for my trade. JESSE W. BROWN.

Dr. Gilliam, a colored medicine vender, is giving concerts at night on the public square.

Work Started.

W. H. Barnes and B. Riddick, of Suffolk, Va., have secured the contract for Elliott Bros. Tyson block and commenced work to-day. Mr. Barnes did the masonry work on the county vault in the Court House and is a skilled mechanic.

Potatoes.

Those folks who have been bragging on their Irish potatoes had as well take a back seat. The REFLECTOR's gardener went out to examine our crop this morning and brought in some specimens as large as hen eggs. They are the largest reported so far.

LATER—B. T. Bailey came in this afternoon with one that knocked us off the front row, too. He's ahead.

10,000 Sample Straw Hats. Get one at your own price. Frank Wilson.

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Planting Other Crops.

There are a number of farmers in the eastern counties who have ploughed up their tobacco lands and planted some other crop. On the whole there will not be much, if any, increase in the tobacco acreage in the eastern section.

Interesting Book.

Hal Sugg, son of Col. I. A. Sugg, has taken the agency for a book entitled "Cuba, and the Fight for Freedom." We have examined the prospectus and find it a very interesting publication. It is splendidly illustrated, contains the history and customs of the people, and gives graphic accounts of the struggle for freedom now in progress on the island. It is a book well worth reading.

A Youthful Criminal.

A little negro boy returned here from the State farm to-day. He is not quite 14 years old, but has just finished serving a 4 year penitentiary sentence. He broke in a house and at the trial it was developed that he was a boy of bad character generally. Being so young the Judge hesitated as to what punishment to give him but decided that the penitentiary was the best place for him. The boy got off 4 months of his imprisonment by good behavior.

Oh, these nights! Close up your house and you almost suffocate, yet if you open a door or window to get a breath of air, bugs swarm in and take possession.

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