

::: RURAL CARRIER ITEMS :::

Haw River Items.

Time in its rapid flight has caught us through another Christmas and another year has past and leaves us but the memory of its joys, and pleasures, its cares and responsibilities, its neglected opportunities of making this world better by having lived in it. And as we open the book of memory and read from its pages the interesting scenes that occurred around the old home fireside of the long ago and look upon the dear faces and familiar forms of those who then contributed to our joys and pleasures of the Christmas firesides, our heart is made sad to know that many of them have gone from us.

The curtains of eternal night have folded themselves around the past year and laid it on the bier and bourn it away to the archives of Father time.

Many went visiting in search of pleasure while others remained at home and enjoyed the good things that our mothers and wives prepared for us thus we could look out toward the star of Bethlehem when the joyous anthem was sung by the angel host "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Good will to Men." Christmas is the high tide of the year.

Miss Woodfin Chambers who has spent the holidays at home with her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Robertson has returned to Raleigh to resume her work in school.

A very sad occurrence happened here Monday the 26th when the barn and stable of Mr. C. P. Albright was burned.

Mr. T. S. Coble our R. F. D. man and Joe Albright lost a horse each was burned to death. How the barn caught is a mystery. By the time it was found out the flames were raging so that the horses could not be saved, every effort was made but failed. The boys worked hard to save them. The loss of the barn, horses, feed and harness would amount to about One Thousand Dollars. Coble had hired a horse from McPherson Livery Stable that day. Joe left his in the stable that day with Coble's, and went out to spend the day with his parents. So both were away at the time of the fire.

Miss Alice Thompson of Effland is visiting the family of J. R. Stewart. We hope her stay will be pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Henderson are rejoicing over the arrival of sweet little girl at their home. We extend congratulations.

Mr. Hubert Hill of Raleigh spent some of the holiday at the home of our esteemed townsman Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Robertson. There seems to be some valuable attraction for him.

Miss Emma Cates of Durham spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cates.

Miss Margaret Scott of No. 1 has returned to the State Normal at Greensboro to pursue her studies.

Hon. R. M. Scott made us a pleasant call Monday. He was cheerful.

Misses Ruth and Iola Franklin the esteemed sisters of Mrs. S. A. Vest who has been on an extended visit to their brother E. W. Franklin of Duke and their sister Mrs. R. H. Phillips of Goldsboro returned to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Vest's at Haw River Monday night.

Maj. W. T. Brooks took a flying trip to Durham and elsewhere last week, of which we did not learn. He returned in the best of humor. There was a traction down the for him, the Maj. is O. K.

Now Christmas is over and a New Year has opened, let us get down to business and do our best to make others happy.

Our esteemed operator spent Christmas at home and reports one of the best times of his life. Clifter is all O. K.

Erer Rabbit and the birds have furnished sport and a heavy war has been made on them.

R. F. D. No. 7.

Esq. John Dixon has a new chicken house and has utilized old news papers to cover it with. We are interested in the poultry business ourselves and will be anxious to learn how the Squires roof stood these rainy days, for we have just subscribed for a weekly paper that will come six years for a dollar, so we may get double value out of it if the squires plan proves a good one.

Mr. W. B. Sharpe who has been laid up two or three weeks with a carbuncle on the back of his head is some better now.

We had the pleasure of entertaining J. W. Whitehead of Snow Camp No. 2 Monday night. Mr. Whitehead is one of our old school mates and is now serving Alamance county as one of the members of the Board of Education. "Providence" did not send a snow just before his visit but our neighbors who had killed hogs came to our rescue. He lives down near the Chatham line and perhaps "Providence" thought he had consumed enough of the Chatham products without giving us a chance to capture one of Chatham's "citizens" for him.

Dr. Paul Dixon and wife and little son Joe returned to their home at Reanoke Va. last Thursday after spending the holidays with relatives and friends on No. 7.

On Wednesday Dec. 28 th 1910 at 12 o'clock at the home of Mr. Alson Sharpe on No. 7 there was celebrated a beautiful home wedding when Mr. Charles M. Neesled to the altar Mr. Sharpe's beautiful daughter Miss Daisy B. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Burgess in the presence of the family and a few invited guest. Immediately after the ceremony the party repaired to the dining room where a sumptuous feast awaited them. After doing full Justice to the feast the evening was spent in social converse and listening to Organ music and singing by Messrs Serenus A. Sharp and A. B. Nicholson and others. Serenus still plays "No Wedding Bells for me" and tried to look like he ment it but Mr. Nicholson looks like he would enjoy a few in his. They say that after the feast was over the groom went back to the dining room and called for pickles. We congratulate them and wish them a long happy and prosperous married life together.

Hartshorn No. 1 Items

The people on this route have been enjoying Christmas very much.

Miss Dora Buckner of Belmont spent Christmas with her uncle Wm. Carroll.

C. A. Linius has been moving this week.

L. P. Soots and family of near Goldston spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Soots.

Mrs. Herni Hackney of Liberty spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Foster.

R. L. Cates and wife of Gibsonville spent Christmas with the latter's father Wm. Soots.

John Holt, Bale Foster Francis Kimrey and Ora Foster made a flying tripe to J. R. Posters.

Bill Foster and family were visiting Mrs. Francis Kimrey last week.

Bale Foster is not through picking his cotton yet. He left his basket in the middle of the patch and left to enjoy the Holidays. We hope he will get his cotton out in time to plant corn.

We was expecting Miss Nan Black and that fellow to get married this Christmas but little hope now.

We saw Ben Clappe at Wm. Posters Sunday evening. Guess he and miss Ora are getting along all right.

The School at Cross Roads is expected to open in a few days.

Elon Colleege No 1.

Mrs. Effie Boon of Greensboro is visiting her mother who is right sick.

Mr. Robert Troxler of West Minister College Maryland, spent his vacation with his parents.

Miss Myrtle Squires of Union Ridge visited her sister Mrs. J. H. Troxler during Christmas.

Miss Daisy Whitsell of Greensboro spent the Holidays with her cousin Miss Georgia Somers.

Erney Somber and Ed. Cook spent Wednesday and Thursday in Greensboro.

John Paschal was a welcome visitor on this route Saturday evening.

Lacy Michael of Greensboro spent Saturday night and Sunday with Erney Somers.

Mr. Smith who has been clerking for Jas. N. Williamson & Son at Ossipee Store left for his home at Bellmont.

Mr. J. N. Holt was on the route to-day, Tuesday.

Mrs. Susan Somers is right sick at the home of her son Mr. R. L. Somers.

John Gerringer spent Tuesday with his best girl.

Mr. Will Cable of Greensboro spent Christmas Day with his best girl, seems to be some great attraction down here for him.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Somers and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Isley spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Jake May.

R. L. Somers has installed a new phone.

Miss Mamie Hawkins, teacher at Ossipee, spent the Holidays with her parents.

Miss Lyde Lowe spent Monday night with Miss Lena Gerringer.

Miss Maud Tickle, who has been going to school at Hickory, spent the Holidays with her parents.

Mr. E. P. Williams of Columbia S. C. who is very favorably remembered in our midst spent several days during the Holidays with friends.

Educating Lawmakers.

KANSAS CITY JOURNAL.
It is no wonder, under the present system of legislating, that the statue books are loaded down with unconstitutional freakish, useless and harmful laws. Nothing else could be expected when the merchant is taken from behind the counter and the farmer from his plow to participate in the business of statecraft for 90 days without any special preparation whatever. One legislator will spend the entire session lobbying for his bill to regulate the size of pickle jars and he must promise to support a dozen other bills that he knows nothing about in order to have himself emblazoned in history as the author of the famous Dill Pickle Law for the alleviation of human suffering.

To return to Governor Hadleys educational idea, why not educate lawmakers in the science of statecraft? It is a pretty serious business this asking a lot of busy men who make no pretense to technical knowledge to pass laws regulating banking, railroads, insurance or telephones. In the old days things were much simpler and there were few problems that could not be solved by the average citizen. Today business matters are specialized, and in many cases are intricate and puzzling. But the legislators go right on recklessly increasing the number of laws and repealing very few with no time to devote to the study of the subject affect ed.

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