

## RURAL CARRIER ITEMS

### HAW RIVER ITEMS.

Christmas has passed into history. There was joy and pleasure in some homes and sorrow and sadness in some. This life ebb away 1911 has folded its mantle and laid it in the Archives of time. 1912 has dawned upon us, we might look over the past and make some improvements in the future. We should all strive for a higher and nobler life this year.

Rev. J. C. Hocutt preached at the Baptist church Sunday night to the delight of his people.

Rev. B. T. Hurley of Mebane and the accomplished daughter of Mr. G. W. Franklin of Burlington, Miss Ruth Franklin were happily married at Capt. and Mrs. S. A. Vest's on Dec. 27 at 10:00 a. m. by Dr. Beaman, the Presiding Elder of the M. E. Conference. The room was nicely decorated with evergreen and other nice ornaments. The bridal couple left on the eleven for the bride's father and other points for a few days. They will make their home at Mebane. He was fortunate to secure such a lady for a companion to help him in the battle of life. Congratulations.

John Amie of Mebane No. 4 made us a pleasant call Monday evening.

The M. P. Church elected their S. S. officers last Sunday. J. C. Morris, Supt.; J. R. Stout, Ass't Supt.; Mrs. R. S. Cox, Organist. They are prepared for a good year's work in the Sunday school.

Miss Lillian Holt entertained a party of young people at her home last Friday night. It was quite an enjoyable time, as Miss Lillian knows how to entertain a party.

J. W. Simmons took a flying trip to Durham on business Monday. He returned Monday night and reported everything lively.

Rev. J. C. Hocutt, pastor of the Baptist church, spent Monday looking after his flock and planning for the advancement of the Lord's Kingdom.

The Installation services that were to be held at the Baptist church last Sunday night was postponed on account of the wea-

ther until next Sunday night, Jan. 7. We are expecting Rev. S. L. Morgan to preach the sermon, and the pastors of the other churches to be present and take part in the service, also the S. S. superintendents of the different churches will be installed the same night. We are hoping for an impressive service.

On the 26th of Dec., 1911, at 10:00 a. m. the Death Angel came down and touched the spirit of L. M. Cates and bade him leave all earthly remains and enter the Church Triumphant. He leaves a wife and six children, one brother to mourn this loss. Weep not mother and children, the Lord is a husband to the widow and a Father to the children.

Misses Maud Halleman and Nellie Brown of Durham are visiting Miss Emma Cates a few days.

Miss Emma Cates will return to Petersburg, Va., and resume work.

The mills are running on the ten-hour system.

Mrs. G. W. P. Cates attended the funeral of L. M. Cates at Cane Creek, Orange county, the 27th of Dec. and returned home Sat. 20th. He was her sister's husband.

Mrs. M. E. Workman is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. G. W. P. Cates.

Who of the correspondents can tell how much gold and silver it would be in U. S. money that King David turned over to Solomon when he built the Temple at Jerusalem?

Capt. and Mrs. S. A. Vest visited his father last Saturday, returning home Sunday.

Mrs. Phillips and her daughter Grace attended the marriage of her sister Ruth Franklin at Haw River.

W. J. Crutchfield who has been off collecting for a stove company has returned home and will spend some time with his family. Will is O. K.

### R. F. D. No. 7.

The creeks were not the only things that got full Christmas.

This is supposed to be a dry state but last week was an ex-

ception to prove the rule. See? We hope all our readers had a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

One of our good patrons gave us a full quart of "O, be Joyful" and you may offer us your congratulations on our being so well prepared to enjoy this Christmas.

Our patrons remembered us with more generosity this Christmas than they ever have before during our six years' service on the route.

The following good people contributed some of their "good things toward our, and the "widow and orphans" Christmas Joy for which we all return many thanks: Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Homewood, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Holt, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Buckner, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Albright, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tinnin, Master James Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Holt, and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rauhut.

There were lots of Christmas visitors on our route but we got the names of only a few of them.

Mr. Raymond Holt who holds a position at Vinton, Va. and his sister Miss Birdie who is attending school at Reidsville, N. C. spent the holidays at home.

Mr. Dan. C. Holt who is attending Lenoir College spent his vacation at home.

Mrs. L. E. Shaw is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Albright.

Mr. Charles Long and sister, Miss Emma, of Person county, visited at E. A. Isley's and other relatives last week, returning home Saturday.

On Sunday evening, Dec. 24, 1911, Mr. James Thompson and Miss Ethel Isley, both of Graham No. 1, were united in marriage by Esq. John Dixon at the Squire's home.

### R. F. D. No. 5.

The holidays passed off very quietly, and we hope every one enjoyed them.

Messrs. J. A. Dickey, Jr. and W. L. Anderson who are in school at Elon spent the holidays with their parents.

Messrs. J. L. and W. J. Allen of High Point visited their mother, Mrs. Barbara Allen Sunday, Dec. 24th.

Miss Ava Rogers and Mr. George Wyatt visited in Graham

last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Aldridge and Master Allen Graves visited relatives in Orange county during the holidays.

Miss Patton who is teaching at Long's Chapel visited her home at Hawfields Christmas.

Mr. W. D. Aldridge, who has accepted a position with the Singer Sewing Machine Co., leaves for Greensboro (Tuesday), where he will be located. We wish him much success.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Warren of Prospect Hill visited their mother Mrs. Anna Aldridge and other relatives from Thursday until Monday.

The following is a report of the days that it rained in 1911, kept by J. R. Aldridge:

January, 1, 2, 3, 8, 21, 22, 25, 26, 29, 30.

February, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 20.

March, 6, 7, 13, 14, 25, 19, 25, 26, 29.

April, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23, 29, 31.

May, 1, 5, 8, 13, 26, 31.

June, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 26

July, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 24

August, 3, 4, 6, 15, 20, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31.

September, 16, 19, 29

October, 2, 7, 10, 11, 17, 22, 27

November, 4, 6, 8, 12, 14, 18, 24, 28.

December, 1, 4, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 30, 31.

By referring to the above dates one would naturally say that it was not a dry year, but John says that he booked all of the rains that were sufficient to wet a man in his shirt sleeves.

### Snow Camp Items.

Owing to the rain and mud Christmas has been very quiet.

Several of our people attended the Temperance meeting at Cane Creek Xmas day.

Prof. G. H. Dixon of Yadkinville N. C. spent the week in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Stuart spent Saturday night at Mr. Cicero Stuarts.

Mr. Hammer left Tuesday for his home in Kan. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart accompanied him as far as Greensboro.

Misses Emma Hobson, Sarah Stuart and Annie McVey also Lyndon Stuart are spending their vacation from Guilford College at home.

Misses Greta and Rochina Stuart of Burlington are visiting in the neighborhood.

Miss Flora Stout who has been teaching in the eastern part of the state is at home sick.

Mr. Albert Durham came home Thursday from John Station.

Mrs. Ada Scott of Ind. is visiting at her sisters Mrs. Phila Green.

Miss Roduska Roach has returned to Greensboro after a few days visit at home.

Mr. Earnest Moon and Miss Maude Hlnshaw were married last Sunday morning, they have our best wishes.

Miss Nannie Jordan went up to Greensboro last week shopping.

Miss Mary McVey has returned to her school at Oakdale.

Mrs. Ed Stuart is right sick at this writing hope she may soon be out again.

### Special Items From Elon College.

Examinations closed at 4 p. m. to-day and the general exodus of the students for their homes began on the afternoon and evening trains. Many will not leave till Friday and some from distant States will spend the vacation period here. The general average of the work done has been very satisfactory. The Winter Term opens January 3, with the prospect now of many new faces in attendance.

Professors Lincoln, Campbell, and Doak will spend their holiday season visiting in many places in Virginia and North Carolina. Miss Wilson will hibernate at Southern Pines. Miss Pitt visits in Eastern Carolina and Miss Bryan in Western Tar-heeldom. Miss Clements spends the vacation at Morrisville, and Mrs. Holland in Franklin, Va. Mrs. Machen and Miss Barnes will be in the West Dormitory. Professors Newman, Lawrence, Wicker, Amick, and Brannock will pursue their investigations on the Hill. Dr. Atkinson is to travel in Eastern Virginia. The office force will be at its post of duty, except for Christmas day.

The College was glad recently of a fine visit from Karl Lehman, of Boston, Mass., International Field Secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor. He was impressed with the College and wrote these appreciative words with the request that they

be published. It has been my privilege to visit a great many schools during the six years that I have been a Christian Endeavor Field Secretary, and I want to say that Elon is absolutely the finest I have ever seen for a real, true Christian spirit. Every one, faculty and students alike, seems to unite to make this spirit what it is. It was a source of real pleasure to have fellowship with you and as I have opportunity I shall always be glad to say a good word for Elon and the Elon spirit.

W. A. Harper, Correspondent.

### MANY SUBJECTS DISCUSSED

Washington, Dec. 27th. - Subjects ranging from the origin of the American Indian to the prevention of disasters in mines were discussed by the leading scientists and economists of the United States today in the opening session of the American society for the advancement of science, and 30 affiliated associations holding convention in Washington this week.

Every phase of aeroplane building and operation is to be discussed at an "airship session" of the association and important questions of food protection, plant and animal breeding, home economics and scientific research will be debated.

An effort to prevent dust explosions in mines in November and December, when they are most prevalent, has brought about a condition that is puzzling the health authorities and the bureau of mines and which is still unsolved. Dr. J. A. Holmes, chief of the bureau of mines told the science association that two experts of the marine hospital service had been called into investigate conditions. In the effort to drive out poisonous gases from mines by means of the introduction of air through a room filled with steam, miners working in the moist atmosphere have developed the hookworm disease and tuberculosis at an alarming rate. Efforts are being made to improve sanitary conditions.

LOST. - A black and white pig. Finder will please notify Mrs. Mary S. Oakley at Burlington and get the reward.

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