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BEAUTIFUL WEDDING IN ELON COLLEGE CHAPEL

A most beautiful and impressive ceremony and one which was the center of wide-spread social interest was solemnized at Elon College at eight o'clock on the evening of December 9th, when Mr. Bruce LaFayette Cantrell of Greensboro, N. C., led to the altar Miss Vivian Huffman of Elon College, N. C. More than 500 people from the community and nearby towns, including Greensboro, were in attendance to express their congratulations to the popular and well-known contracting parties.

Promptly at eight o'clock, Rev. Victor Lightbourne delighted the audience by rendering a violin solo accompanied by Mr. Betts of the music faculty of the college on the pipe organ. The second number was most charmingly rendered by Mrs. Victor Lightbourne, singing "Why I Love You." The bridal party entered the hall to the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March. The first to enter was the groom on the arm of his best man, Mr. O. P. McDaniel, of Greensboro. Entering from the opposite aisle were Miss Lila Newman wearing white net over white satin and carrying carnations, and Miss Leona Hinton, who wore a combination of Nile green taffeta covered with dew-drop net and carried Richmond-red roses. Following the bridesmaids and best man were Mr. Nelson Richards of Winchester, Va., and Mr. T. F. Howard, Raleigh, Va. Down the opposite aisle were Miss Hazel Stephens of Greensboro, N. C., who wore blue taffeta trimmed in real lace and carried Richmond red roses and Miss Anais Simpson, Elon College, N. C., who wore yellow chiffon on meslin and carried white carnations. Next followed B. T. Bradford, Broadway, Va., and J. L. Crumpton, Roxboro, N. C., down the right aisle. On the opposite side the maid of honor, Miss Kathleen Huffman, followed by little Ruth Huffman, the ring bearer, proceeded the bride to the altar. The maid of honor wore pink taffeta trimmed in white fur and carried Killarney roses. The ring bearer wore a dainty dress of white lingerie and white ribbons.

The decorations in the auditorium were elaborate and artistic, being directed by Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. W. F. Lawrence and Mrs. C. C. Johnson, and consisted of white narcissus and chrysanthemums with ivy and ferns, cut flowers and potted plants. There were three graceful arches of white and green, from one of which was suspended a large bell beneath which the solemn vows that made two lives one were taken. The chancel was lit up with candles.

The bride entered on the arm of her father, J. P. Huffman, Elon College, N. C., who gave her away. The bride was most becomingly attired in a creation of white satin trimmed in duchess lace, pearls and wore a bridal veil cut by the hills of the valley and carried a bouquet of bride's roses showered with lilies of the valley.

Miss Jennie Willie Atkinson at the piano, accompanied by Mr. Edwin Betts on the pipe organ, rendered Lohengrin's Wedding March, while the bridal party were entering and softly played McDonnell's "A Wild Rose," when the ceremony was being said, and Mendelssohn's Wedding March, as the bridal party left the altar. The solemnizing ceremony was read by the college pastor, Rev. J. D. Atkinson. The guests of the bridal party were sitting in an evening dress with white lace and white gloves.

Educational Column

CONDUCTED BY J. B. ROBERTSON.

HEALTH DAY

The most important subject that can possibly engage the minds of the teachers, pupils and patrons of the schools of Alamance county is the health problem. At this time this is doubly true since Alamance is having a medical inspection made of her schools. The Health Day is of vital importance to all connected with the school but if the day is to be made a success this task rests to great degree on the teacher. As all teachers are required to teach sanitation and hygiene they should be thankful for the able assistance that is now being given by the State Board of Health and by the prizes offered for this work.

Speaking as one who has already had Health Day I wish to say that I consider the time spent by my students on the work the most valuable of any they have ever put on any subject. Not only have they learned something about conveying their health, but from a literary standpoint it paid. Their work on their health compositions was of a much higher order than of the ordinary composition, because the interest was greater. Nor does the benefit confine itself to the student, the parents were thus, and learned many valuable things about sanitation and health. Then the lantern slides shown at night are so convincing and instructive that no one can help being benefited by them. Last but not least, Alamance can count herself fortunate in having Dr. Jordan perform this work. He knows how to inspect the most timid child without causing any fright. Furthermore, he is an able speaker and holds his audience well keeping all interested from the youngest to the oldest.

In conclusion, let me say to the teacher and pupil, set forth all your efforts in this work and make so much of a success on Health Day that Alamance county will see the need of having her schools inspected frequently and thus give to Alamance the greatest product ever produced—an educated, robust, healthy citizen. E. P. DIXON.

FIVE THINGS IN EQUIPMENT EVERY SCHOOL SHOULD HAVE

The superintendent is urging that five simple necessities be provided for each and every school in the county. Many of these are already provided for at many of our schools; and every school should go about providing all that it is lacking immediately. Here they are, simple, easily attained, but very much needed.

1. School floor tiled.
2. Stove pipe with elbow and damper, and as long as convenience will allow.
3. Windows shaded.
4. Water cooler and individual drinking cups.
5. Two sanitary, well-kept closets.

These are all necessities, not luxuries. Every school should have every one without fail. Teachers, committeemen, friends of the cause of education, see to it that your school is provided with these necessities and that right early.

Immediately after the ceremony the party left for Greensboro, where the bride and groom went north for an extended visit.

WEDDING AT MEBANE

Mebane, Dec. 11.—The marriage of Miss Bertha Dick and Joel Thompson of Raleigh Wednesday afternoon, December 8, was one of the most beautiful and elaborate events that has taken place in Mebane this season.

Promptly at 4:30 o'clock the bridal party descended the stairway to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Miss Mary White, of Mebane.

The attendants were: Miss Ruby Satterfield, of Hickory, maid of honor; Mrs. Ernest Rollens, of Henderson, matron of honor; Roy Thompson, of Raleigh, best man; Master John Dick, brother of the bride, as ring bearer, entered carrying the ring in a large yellow chrysanthemum. The bride entered on the arm of her father, J. T. Dick, who gave her in marriage. The Rev. C. W. Goodman officiated.

The bride was gowned in a midnight blue travelling suit and carried brides roses showered with lilies of the valley. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson left immediately for Raleigh, which place they will make their home. The many handsome presents attested the popularity of the couple.

The bridal party was served a delightful three-course luncheon at noon. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Thompson, mother of the groom; Roy Thompson, Mr. Powell, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Howard, of Raleigh, Charlie Sharp, Mesdames John Sharp and May, of Burlington, Miss Satterfield, of Hickory, and Mrs. Rollens, of Henderson.

NOTICE, WOODMEN

Lacol Camp Woodmen of the World will hold their regular meeting Thursday night, December 10th. Every member is urged to be present. Some important business to attend to. JAY W. TATE, Cou. Com. E. M. CHEEK, Clerk.

PARTY, THE 22ND

What? Play and two-bit party with amusements for young and old. Where? Cross Roads School-house.

When? Wednesday night, Dec. 22, 7:10 p. m.

Who invited? Everybody looking for a good time. Come one and all. Admission free.

We call the attention of our readers to the many advertisements of local merchants in this issue of the Dispatch, offering to the Christmas shoppers numerous bargains in holiday gifts. "Trade at Loxe" is the modern slogan, and if practiced, will bring about mutual benefit for both merchant and customer.

Mr. Cantrell is a popular young man of Greensboro and Miss Huffman is the highly accomplished and esteemed daughter of Mr. J. P. Huffman, and both have scores of friends who have so attested by the great number of handsome bridal presents received.

On the evening of December 8th, Miss Huffman gave an ante-nuptial entertainment in honor of the bridal party and several out-of-town guests. An elaborate menu was served and the evening was made joyous with piano and violin music and other events to make gay and gladsome the delightful occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Cantrell, at the conclusion of their grandly-attended bridal tour, will reside in Greensboro, N. C. W. A. HARRIS.

SUICIDE FACT ENDS IN DEATH

Man Goes Out But The Woman Will Recover; All Because of Love—Made Three Attempts and The Last Was Successful.

Crisfield, Md., Dec. 8.—With life ebbing away as the result of two bullet wounds in her lung, Miss Hilda Sterling told painfully but graphically tonight of her part in a suicide pact. Her partner, a druggist of this city, will be buried tomorrow and his wife, Mrs. Agnes Reese, is in a critical condition as a result of the shock.

The coroner's jury gave a verdict of self-inflicted death tonight and made an ineffectual effort to suppress three letters. Tip Reese had written before his death. The other was from Miss Sterling, who had been in his employ.

The notes from Reese professed his love for Miss Sterling, whom he eulogized as a high-minded, innocent girl, and announced their purpose to commit suicide as a result of the town gossip.

Miss Sterling told of their decision. She said they had gone to the woods in an isolated part of the county and after wrapping up in a blanket together had each taken six grains of morphine. They went to sleep expecting never to awaken again, but both recovered. Reese then drew a pistol and asked if he should shoot. She replied in the affirmative and he pulled the trigger. The pistol refused to work, Reese then declared he would get one that would shoot. After he had gone Miss Sterling tried to leave the woods but could not move, she was so weak. Reese then returned and Reese shot three shots into her body, of which two pierced her lung. Hilda shot herself in the chest and when this did not prove fatal put the last bullet into his brain.

Reese fell back dead as the girl recovered from a swoon. When Miss Sterling recovered sufficient strength to crawl to his body, she wrapped the body with the blanket and then fell across the body unconscious. Here she was later found. The three letters follow:

From Miss Sterling to Reese: "Pip—I am never going to step my foot into the store again and I am mad with everybody. I think we had better call it off and separate friends. I want to stop all the talk. I will talk to you if I see you on the street or if you come here but I will never come to the store again. Your friend, HILDA."

"P. S.—I hope you will be willing to give me up and let us quit." From Reese to his wife: "Ag—When this reaches you I will be dead. I am going with the girl I love better than anything else on this earth. PIP."

From Reese addressed to Corneret Pharmacy: "To whom it may concern—When this note is found I will be dead. People's talk is responsible for my deed and I am going to leave it all. My love for Hilda and hers for me is as clean and pure as can be, but people have made life unbearable by talking about us. The talk is the cause of my doing this. C. REESE."

Miss Annie Mand Mobane returned from Virginia on last Friday, where she spent three weeks in Danville and Lynchburg, visiting friends.

MR. THURSTON WRITES ON CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

Isaiah 28:7: "But they also have erred through wine, and through wine, they are out of the way strong drink, they are swallowed up through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment."

The first words of this text refers to Judah's sinfulness and wicked hypocrisy. Judah, as separated from other nation, in the divine plan, is typical of the Church of Christ today, in distinction from the unsaved masses of humanity. The reformation of Judah by Hezekiah, was but a partial reformation—a half-hearted affair. It put away idolatry, but it left untouched a variety of moral evils such as: 1st. Drunkenness. In this vice, Judah was not one whit behind any of the godless peoples and nations. The very priests (corresponding in a large degree to modern preachers and teachers) gave way to the most disgusting habits. 2nd. Scorn and mockery of God's true prophets was a common thing. So, today:

All of this because of sin and wrong living in various forms—a deep-seated love of godlessness, polished wickedness, among the rich and well-to-do. So then, so now, beginning with Burlington, N. C.

My friends, this ought not so to be. Proverbs 14:34: "Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people." I humbly pray that this Scripture text shall be the means in the power of the Lord our God of keeping our people who read them, from drinking, and gratifying the base and sensual appetites during the approaching holidays. My friend, will you not join with me in this prayer and in living this life of prudence all the time? But more especially, during the next sixty days? Please do. On your acts and words hangs the eternal destiny of at least two souls (your own and the one directly affected by you). Romans 8:6: "For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." Bless the Lord, oh my soul.

Blessed is that humble servant of God who is living to glorify God and uplift humanity—no selfishness or covetousness in the heart and life. Just living to do God's will and ready to go to that home, that house of many mansions over in the City of God. Just any time, when it is His will, laboring and waiting. With no appetite for whiskey, egg-nog, tobacco, not even asking for self the more dainty food; but, sacrificing for others. But, pardon me, I must get away from the contemplated glories that await the humble, meek and faithful servant of the Lord.

My friend, my appeal for a strictly sober, sane and reasonable enjoyment of the blessing that we have—not drinking the drug store and the like "washes" and concoctions, nor drinking alcoholic beverages of any kind; not eating to excess; not taking any part in the useless waste of money in fire-works and displays. All these will injure others or ourselves, and will bring sorrow to some one. And these holidays are not commemorative of days of sorrow, but of days of joy and gladness. St. Luke 2:10: "For, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord. . . . Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will to men."

This is not a day of giddy, godless levity, foransy, carelessness and are different people who he-bell since the last holidays—this is a day for Jew

and Gentile, rich and poor, high and low, great and small, to live all these holidays so that they will rightly point to Christmas day—that great day commemorative of the birth of Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God, into the world; the Saviour of all conditions of humanity. And, my sinner friend, without saving faith in the atoning merits of the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, there is no salvation for either Jew or Gentile. Acts 4:12: "Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we MUST be saved." No name but the too much despised name of Jesus Christ. So, it is well befitting us to hold in awe and reverence the great transaction commemorated by Christmas day.

Dan. 5:23: "And the God in Whose hand they breath is, and Whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified." Gal. 6:7: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Prov. 23:1: "When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what is before thee. . . . Be not among wine bibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh. For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty; and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." Oh, how much suffering and hell in this world tonight because of whiskey drinking and gluttonous and riotous, wilful, wasteful living by our people. I declare to you, my countrymen, that without a deep and earnest repentance, an honest giving up and turning away from sin, NOW, in your day, unless this is done, it will be that "hell hath enlarged herself and opened her mouth without measure." (Isa. 5:14) —"to receive this faithless and perverse generation." (St. Luke 9:41.)

I understand that so-called preachers and teachers, naming the name of Christ, men of easy spiritual virtue, cry out mightily: "Peace, peace, when there is no peace." (Jer. 6:14.) They preach one standard of living for the blind tiger and poor servant of hell around Burlington, who sells and drinks whiskey, and have another standard of so-called righteousness (right living) for themselves. "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." (St. Matthew 7:20.) And my Lord says: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven." What? These high sounding prelates, big salaried preachers—good livers, some of whom can throw down their commission? If they ever had one) to preach the gospel of the blessed Christ and get jobs that pay better, and some of them can tell smutty jokes and vile lies that make hell a worse place. But who, then, can and will be saved? Bless the Lord for this divine utterance: "But he that doeth the will of my Father, which is in heaven." (St. Matthew 7:21.) Faithful old servant of God, you who are honestly trying to do his will—press on to heaven, you are on the right road. Glory to his name.

My countrymen, may the God of heaven and earth help every one of us living to rightly appreciate every opportunity in time that we may live for eternity. Let us humbly and sincerely seek God with whole heart. Then let us diligently seek to brighten some cheerless life, some sad home. Let us be temperate. This will mean more days and greater joys and blessings to those that have not. "Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble." (Psalm 41:1) With love to all and make it

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