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FIRE AT THE BLEACHERY.

The Flames Soon Fill the Napper Room Doing Considerable Damage to Machinery and Cloth—Cause of the Fire Not Known.

Shortly after 3 o'clock today (Thursday) the fire alarm was sounded and people rushed out to locate the flames. But by that time the fire was almost subdued and the damage was done.

No cause is known for the breaking out of fire in the knapper room at the bleachery. G W Sherrill, who works at one of the machines, was apprised of the fire when one of the men hollered to him that he was on fire. He turned and found the flames spreading all over the machine. Soon the lint and cloth was burning and Mr. Sherrill escaped only in time.

Some of the operatives soon connected a hose with one of the hydrants and ere long subdued the flames. The stream of water as well as the fire did much damage to the machinery, which machinery is very expensive. Thousands of yards of cloth were saturated with water, and a considerable amount of it was burned partly. The damage could not be estimated yet, but it will be at least several hundred dollars.

Their First Dividend Declared.

Mr. D B Coltrane who is president of the cotton mill at Norwood, attended the meeting of the directors there on Tuesday, the 10th. Though this company has been organized only eighteen months, and the mill has been running only about eight months, a semi-annual dividend of five per cent. was declared at this meeting. This is the first dividend.

Deep Interest Continues In the Meeting.

There is a good attendance at each service held at the Forest Hill Methodist church during the protracted meeting. Rev. Craven, of Spencer, is assisting Rev. Arnold. Eight penitent ones advanced to the altar and four confessions of faith were made in Christ.

Would Fall on This One.

A new military prison chaplain was recently appointed in a certain town in Scotland. He was a man who greatly magnified his office. On entering one of the cells on his first round of inspection, he, with much pomposity, thus addressed the prisoner who occupied it:

"Well, sir, do you know who I am?"

"No, nor I dinna care," was the nonchalant reply.

"Well, I'm your new chaplain."

"Oh, ye are; well, I heard tell o' ye before."

"And what did you hear?" returned the chaplain, his curiosity getting the better of his dignity.

"Well, I heard that the last two kirks ye were in ye preached them baith empty, but I'll be hanged if ye find it such an easy matter to do the same wi' this one."

THE INCREASE OF FACTORIES.

The Indirect Benefit is Not Fully Appreciated.

The indirect benefit of the increase of factories in North Carolina is not yet appreciated. Some have even so concerned themselves with the factory problem that they are unable to be glad for the increase of industrial population. That there is a problem is not deniable; but that it is of such import as to bid us falter in our encouragement of industrial activity in this respect, only one who has not thought into the subject will hold. Any one who appreciates the changes for the better already wrought by the increase of factories will gladly welcome all the problems that a thousand more will bring in their train. For many years the population of our State has been ruinously out of balance; our producers of raw material have so far outnumbered our manufactures and consumers that farming has ceased to be remunerative, and population engaged in that sphere has not only become discontented, but in some degree desperate of advancement. Now the factories will tend to balance the population and adjust supply and demand. They offer employment to the surplus labor in the fields; they have already become the source of support for large numbers. And in so doing, they also create a consuming class, the class dependent upon the produce of the farms—not only calling for their cotton to manufacture, but also making requisition upon their wheat and corn fields, their stock, and their truck. Farmers who live in the vicinity of factories find a ready market for their produce, and the acres once wholly given to cotton are employed more profitably. Immediately farming becomes more attractive; land goes up; labor is in demand. So then the increase of factories of all kinds is a blessing upon our whole State.—Biblical Recorder.

A Shower of Stars.

Astronomers tell us that we are to have a tremendous shower of stars about the 14th of November. It is the occasion of the crossing of the earth's orbit Biela's comet, which occurs every 80 years. One astronomer predicts more than the shower of stars. He says that the comet will come in contact with the earth at this visitation and that the earth will be destroyed in the collision. We however are assured by a French astronomer that should the comet collide with the earth, there would be no injury to the earth but that the damage would be entirely to the comet. However the shower of stars will be expectantly awaited and there will probably be little sleep on the night of the 13 and 14 for fear the spectacle escape us.—Ex.

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Burglars Worst Col. Carr.

The Durham correspondent to the Charlotte Observer under date of the 11th, says:

"Last night the residences of Gen. J S Carr and Judge Robert W Winston were burglarized and at the former place between \$3,000 and \$4,000 worth of jewelry was carried off. The whole matter is shrouded in mystery and there is no clue as to who burglarized these homes. Jewelry was also taken from the home of Judge Winston, but the package was found by one of the servants in the back yard this morning.

"When Gen. Carr was dressing this morning he discovered that his diamond stud, valued at \$1,000, was gone from his shirt. This discovery led to a further investigation and it was then found that his home had been burglarized during the night and \$4,000 worth of jewelry carried off.

"Among the jewels taken the following is a partial list: Gen. Carr's diamond stud, valued at \$1,000; Mrs. Carr's watch \$700; Gen. Carr's watch, \$500; a pair of gold cuff buttons, set with diamonds, belonging to Claiborn Carr; a diamond scarf pin, diamond brooch, ear-drops and a very valuable watch fastener, used to pin a watch to a lady's dress, belonging to Mrs. Carr.

"It seems that the burglar was looking for jewelry, as thousands of dollars worth of gold and silverware might have been carried off with all ease.

"Some of the jewelry will be hard for the present owners to handle. The \$1,000 stud was a registered stone. It was stolen from Gen. Carr during the World's Fair in Chicago. Eleven months later the stone was recovered by some of the Pinkerton detective force in the Windy City. Mrs. Carr's watch was of peculiar design and had a picture of Gen. Carr engraved on the lid. Gen. Carr's watch was also of a design that would be easy to trace. Any of the diamonds could readily be identified if found."

Col. Carr's house showed no signs of having been entered. Judge Winston's front door stood open. There is a fine job of detective work to be accomplished in the affair.

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—Mr. A L Sappenfeld is spending the afternoon in Charlotte.

A Change at the Odell Mills.

Mr. V Y Suther, who for some time has had charge of the spinning in mill No. 2 at night in the Odell mills, has been given charge of the spinning department in mill No. 4 in day time.

Mr. B L Stall, who has been employed at the Buffalo mills, has been given Mr. Suther's position. Mr. Adam Hopkins gets Mr. Stall's place at the Buffalo mill.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Jno. McDowell returned home this morning.

—Mr. J Rowan Davis, of Salisbury, is here today.

—Miss Hattie Misenheimer, of Mt. Pleasant, is here today.

—Mrs. I Frank Patterson, of China Grove, was here today.

—Mr. Geo. Letford, who travels for H E Bucklen & Co., of Chicago, is here today.

—Miss Laura Gourley, of Flowers, passed through here today on her return from Salisbury.

—Dr. N D Fetzer returned home last night from Raleigh where he attended the meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy.

—Mrs. W R Gray, of Davidson, and Miss Bessie Wharey, of Mooresville, arrived here this morning to visit at Mr. P B Fetzer's.

—Miss Elsie Morrison, of Pioneer Mills, is visiting Miss Kate Morrison. She will be here until Saturday when she and Miss Kate Morrison will leave for Durham.

Reduced Rates to the State Fair.

On account of the State Fair the Southern will sell round trip tickets to Raleigh Oct. 14, 15, 16, 17 and 20 at rate of \$5.50 and on Oct. 18 and 19 at rate of \$3.80 round trip. All tickets limited returning Oct. 23rd.

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