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FIRE LAST NIGHT.

The Deaton Cottage on Spring Street, Destroyed—Baptist Church and Presbyterian Manse Narrowly Escaped.

The Deaton house on Spring Street was destroyed by fire last night between 12 and 1 o'clock. There was no one living in the house and the origin of the fire was a mystery. The blaze was first discovered by Dr. R. S. Young, who was returning from a call. The alarm was immediately turned in but the blaze had gained such headway that the fire department was unable to save the residence, although their arrival proved more than fortunate for the Baptist church and the Presbyterian manse. The roof of the church had caught and the whole side of the church was smoking and steaming when the department arrived. The firemen gave their attention first to the church as it could be readily seen that the residence would be consumed.

It would be impossible to determine in what part of the house the fire originated as the floors and ceilings in the back rooms appear to be about equally burned. The Presbyterian manse is only slightly damaged but the Baptist church is considerably damaged. The roof on the side next to the house caught fire and the shingles on that side are badly warped. The five handsome stained glass windows on that side were ruined by the heat from the flames and the window facings were twisted so it is impossible to raise the windows.

The house is the property of Mr. P. M. Misener, of No. 5 township. There was \$500.00 insurance on the house and the damage to the church is fully covered by insurance.

The house burned was an old and small one, and was for many years the home of Mrs. M. G. Deaton. The fire occurred at a time of night when everybody was sleeping soundly, and very few people appeared on the scene. It is the general opinion that it was the work of an incendiary, as there had been no fire in the house for some time.

China Grove Bank Prosperous.

The China Grove correspondent of the Charlotte Observer has the following in regard to the bank in our bustling neighbor town, China Grove:

The stockholders of the Bank of China Grove held their annual meeting in their banking house a few days ago and the financial report for the last six months was very gratifying indeed. The old board of directors, A. M. Hanna, J. D. Norwood, M. L. Ritehie, M. A. Stirewalt, J. F. Cooper, J. L. Bostian and Dr. G. A. Ramsaur, was re-elected immediately following the stockholders meeting the directors met and re-elected A. M. Hanna, president; J. D. Norwood, of People's National bank, of Salisbury, vice-president and W. C. Sifford, cashier.

The closing year marks the most prosperous one in the history of the bank, the annual and semi-annual dividends paid amounting to 10 per cent. while a nice little sum was placed to surplus.

Comet Month.

- May 1—Comet 63,000,000 miles away.
- May 6—Rises at 2:38 a. m.
- May 8—Rises at 2:46 a. m.
- May 10—33,000,000 miles away. Rises at 2:49 a. m.
- May 17—Within 12,000,000 miles. Rises at 3:32 a. m.
- May 18—Eclipse of the sun by comet, 12:31 to 12:45 a. m. Chicago time.
- May 19—Comet in evening sky, sets before sun.
- May 20—Comet sets 8:10 p. m. Will look large as the sun. Terrifying in appearance to those who don't know that we have passed through the tail and that all possibility of danger is over.
- May 25—Sets 10:55 p. m.
- May 30—Sets 11:29 and is gradually fading away.

Mr. M. B. Stickley Elected Member of the School Board.

A meeting of the school board was held yesterday afternoon to consider the resignation of Dr. S. W. Williams as a member of the board, he having moved to Raleigh. His resignation was accepted and Mr. M. B. Stickley was elected a member to fill out the unexpired term of Dr. Williams.

Halley's Comet Loses Its Tail.

The observatory at Zurich officially reports that Halley's comet was visible to naked eye for 55 minutes before dawn Tuesday. Its position was due east just above the horizon. There was no trace, however, of the tail, not even with the telescope.

It is reported that the Duke's have an option on 50,000 acres of land near and including Toxaway and will develop 30,000 horse power just across the South Carolina line.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS WIN.

In Game Yesterday at Mt. Pleasant With Collegiate Institute.

The city High School baseball team defeated the second team of Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute, including five of the first team men, yesterday afternoon at Mt. Pleasant by the score of 4 to 0.

The game was fast and snappy all the way through and very little scoring was done. Kay Patterson was on the firing line for Concord and his superb pitching had the cadets helpless, only two widely separated bingles being secured off his delivery. Fred Patterson was doing the receiving for the Concord boys and he handled the mystifying shoots of his brother in a most skillful manner. His throwing to bases was strong and accurate, five of the cadets were turned to the bench while trying to steal on him.

The all-round work of Morris at second and Sherrill at first was gilt edge. Their hitting was also a feature. Morris doubled in the first scoring a runner from second with the first run of the game. Sherrill also met one of McEachern's twisters squarely for a double, scoring a runner from second. Wadsworth distinguished himself by a perfect throw from deep center to third retiring a runner. Cook and Miller for the city boys also played good ball accepting everything that came their way.

Miller for Mt. Pleasant played a sensational game at short cutting off several hits by his difficult stops and catches.

R. H. E.

Concord 4 8 1
Mt. Pleasant 1 2 5
Batteries: Patterson and Patterson; McEachern and Auten; Umpire, Prof. Welsh.

Rev. T. E. Winecoff Gaining Fame as a Poet.

Rev. Thos. E. Winecoff, D. D., who was reared in this county, and who now lives at Strongville, a suburb of Cleveland, O., has become a poet of considerable note, and his poems are published often by the northern religious press. The following which is from his pen, was recently published in the Western Christian Advocate:

I make no moan, O Lord that while
The charging squadrons thunder by,
My Captain holds me in reserve—
When Thou are ready, then am I.

For them the multitudes acclaim,
For me the long unhonored wait;
For them the muster-roll of fame,
For me no roll-call with the great.

But when, some sadder, darker day,
The beaten columns stagger back,
'Fore Gog and Magog to the fray—
For that, O Lord, I silent wait,

My tempered steel I ready keep,
Till men in panic need shall call
A lesser Moses from his sheep,
Or Cincinnatus from his plow.

My call shall come, or here or there,
Some larger battle duly try
The trusted troop reserved of God—
When Thou are ready, then am I.

A Sudden Death.

Mrs. J. C. Stowe died suddenly yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock at her home on Simpson street after an illness of one day. Mrs. Stowe had a chill the day before but was up part of her time yesterday morning. When her daughters came home at dinner time she was lying on the bed drinking a cup of coffee. She talked with them and seemed to be in good spirits. The daughters returned to their work at the mill, leaving their mother with the smaller children. They called her about 4 o'clock in the afternoon and she failed to answer them. They called in some of the neighbors who discovered that she was dead. It is very probable that she died soon after her daughters returned to their work as she was cold in death when her neighbors were called in to awake her. She was 57 years of age, and is survived by her husband and several children. The funeral services will be held this afternoon at Meadow Creek, Stanly county.

Dinner at Judge Montgomery's.

Charlotte News.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Garsed, Mrs. E. C. Register and Mr. Frank McRae spent Saturday in Concord as guests of Judge Montgomery and family. They made the trip in Mr. Garsed's new Hudson car, which he has just purchased from Mr. Osmond Barringer. Judge Montgomery's household showered its old-time Southern hospitality on the visitors, the judge being especially assiduous in his gallantries to Mrs. Garsed. His gratitude to her for a once charming hospitality is akin to the kind that Mrs. Judge Cilly, of Hickory, noted once of a delightful hostess: "She is a charming woman and does not smother her chicken salad in detestable mayonnaise."

Judge Montgomery likes Mrs. Garsed "because she gave me a splendid dinner, and didn't serve it in 'detestable' courses."

BEER CONFISCATED.

Belonged to Robert Funderburk, Who Failed to Appear to Claim It.

Yesterday afternoon Chief of Police Boger was informed by a party that a man had delivered a wagon load of barrels at an empty store house at "Frog Pond" near the furniture factory. Chief Boger went over to the place and on searching the store he discovered ten barrels of beer. He had been told the man's name who hauled the beer there and on investigating the matter further found that the beer was the property of Robert Funderburk, who up to a few weeks ago conducted a near beer stand near the depot. Funderburk was cited to appear at the Recorder's court this morning at 9:30 o'clock.

The beer was seized yesterday afternoon and was brought to the city hall, where it was securely locked up. Funderburk failed to put in his appearance at the Recorder's court this morning, and after his name had been called out, Chief Boger was sworn and stated that he had cited Funderburk to appear there. City Prosecuting Attorney Hartsell asked the Court that the beer be confiscated and turned over to the county commissioners. Recorder Puryear granted this request and the beer is now in the hands of the commissioners. Immediately after court adjourned a warrant was sworn out for Funderburk and it is very probable that he will be tried tomorrow.

The law states that after the seizure of spirituous liquors and it has been ordered to be confiscated and turned over to the county commissioners, they can sell it to some person who has a legal right to sell liquor and the proceeds go to paying the expenses of the seizure and the balance to the public school fund. The commissioners can either sell the beer or pour it out. If they sell it someone out of the State will very probably buy it, as the only person in this State who has a right to sell spirituous liquors is a druggist, and it is not very probable that any druggist would want ten barrels of beer.

Graded School Commencement.

The closing exercises of the Concord Public High School will take place at the Central building embracing Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 8, 9 and 10.

The annual sermon will be preached Sunday at 11 a. m. by Rev. Plato Durham, and the annual address delivered on Monday evening at 8 o'clock by Rev. T. A. Smoot, of Wilmington. The class exercises will take place on Tuesday at 8 o'clock p. m.

The following compose the graduating class: Helen Frances Arthey, Edwin Neil Brower, Edna Camm Campbell, Mathias Boger Fink, Charlie Clinton Graeber, George Sidney Graeber, Mary Buena Hill, Mary Frances Hartsell, Martha Novella Jaughlin, Daisy Lippard, Ozama Murr, Caroline Adele Pemberton, Mary Miller Propst, Margaret Grier Query, Margaret Gertrude Russell, Leroy Allison Scott, Lee Roy Sapp, Willie May Stratford, William Montgomery Sherrill, Minnie Estelle Utley, Alexander Viola, Jr., Elizabeth Irwin Woodhouse.

Concord Boy at A. & M. Banquet.

Last Saturday night the Junior class of the A. & M. college gave a banquet at Giersch's cafe in Raleigh. The banquet consisted of eight courses. The Raleigh News and Observer says among other things in speaking of the banquet: "The enthusiasm of the class cheer leader, R. L. Morrison, was keyed to the highest pitch and it is to him that the honors are due for the forcible way in which the yells and songs were conducted."

"R. L. Morrison—who recounted honors of the class and advocated unity as a motto for the coming senior class. He impressed the class with the responsibility of choosing the best members of the class as officers of class and the 'Agomeck' and of the 'Red and White.'"

Cabarrus Cases in Supreme Court.

In the Supreme Court several cases from Cabarrus were argued this week. They are: Dry and Blake vs. State of North Carolina; Sycamore vs. Postal Telegraph Company; Larin Hellig vs. Southern Railway Co.; Dan Forney vs. Postal Telegraph Co. In the case of Miss Alice Bost vs. Cabarrus County for damages, a petition was filed by defendant to dismiss. No opinion has been handed down yet by the Supreme Court in any of the above cases.

The Washington Star observes that Russia would hardly have parted with Alaska if she had known that it contained 16,000,000,000 tons of coal. It may be added that because they do know so much the Guggenheims are unwilling to part with it.

See The Times for Job Printing.

LITTLE LOSS TO TRUCKING.

Fruit and General Crops in this State Have Suffered Little from Cold Snap.

The reports that have come in from all over North Carolina indicate that while cotton is damaged slightly in some parts, the extent of the damages was at first over estimated. A dispatch from Wilmington says:

While light frosts occurred in the Wilmington section Monday night, the temperature having recorded as low as 40 degrees, inquiry from the truckers discloses that there has been little, if any, damage to vegetables and strawberries have suffered none, the only effect of the cold having been to retard ripening, an end earnestly to be desired in view of the heavy shipments just at present and the glutted conditions of the market. In spite of the cold snap today's shipments from the territory were perhaps the heaviest of the season, the refrigerator car line people estimating the movement at 100 cars, 32 of which went out of the Wilmington and Weldon section.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham expresses the opinion that North Carolina fruit and general crops have suffered very little from the "cold snap." He believes the damage will be slight over the greater part of the state unless the exception be in the Asheville section. The fruit is so well grown and the leaves developed to such an extent that they afforded ample protection to the fruit.

Reports from the section around Charlotte show that fruit and truck were not seriously injured, though late crops will be the result of the unprecedented cold weather.

The most serious situation that confronts the planters is the shortage of seed, says a Charlotte dispatch. But for the alleged seed famine the situation would not be serious beyond the certainty of a late crop, for there is ample time for replanting, but unfortunately there is no seed to replant with. That the next crop in this state will be meagre is a foregone conclusion.

A special dispatch from Montgomery, Ala., dated April 26, says:

There is conflict of opinion among cotton men here as to the scarcity of seed with which to replant the crop destroyed by the freeze which has swept the south. Montgomery dealers declare there is plenty of seed at normal prices. From other parts of the state reports come that no seed is to be had and that prices have advanced sharply.

Today the local offices of a large cotton oil company instructed every seed-crushing mill under its control to suspend operations and to buy all the seed offered. It is declared that the seed will be sold to planters at normal prices.

Reports have been received from every county in the State showing that all cotton plants above ground have been killed.

More Rowan Gold.

Statesville Landmark.

For some months a mining engineer, a foreigner, has been prospecting for gold in the vicinity of County Line and the edge of Rowan county and recently he has found small quantities of the valuable mineral on the lands of Mrs. Rave Steele, in the edge of Rowan, about three miles east of Oak Forest, this county. Two prospectors from the North came to Statesville a few days ago and drove from here to the Steele place to examine the samples of ore and look over the ground, and it is said they were favorably impressed with what they saw. It is not known whether mining operations will be attempted. Small veins of gold have been found at a number of places in Rowan and Davie counties, but it has not been found profitable to mine the ore.



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Health Commissioner Urges War on Fly.

County Health Commissioner A. L. Ziliak is urging Princeton people to make a fight against the diseases carried by flies. In a statement Tuesday he says:

"Screen your homes. Now is the time for every householder to screen the windows and doors of their homes with closely woven wire to keep out the fly. This detestable fellow walks in the home without wiping his feet, and leaves filth and disease behind wherever he goes."

"He thrives on refuse from the garbage can, decayed animal and vegetable manure, etc., and then if permitted through carelessness to enter your home, leaves his excrement on your food and body."

"Remove every particle of filth, dirt, decayed or useless material about your premises. Place your garbage in a can with a tight cover. When emptied, sprinkle with kerosene oil, lime, or other disinfectant. Keep all food screened, whether on the table or not."

"Run daily excursions in your home on a schedule time table to swat the fly, for he is a carrier of many destructive diseases."

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New Star Appears in the East.

Charlotte Chronicle.

"Can Halley's tail be seen?"

This is the question that is being constantly asked.

Mr. G. E. Woodruff, of Dilworth, walked into The Chronicle office this morning and engaged a reporter in very interesting conversation on the subject.

"I set my alarm clock for 4 o'clock this morning and rising looked into the heavens. In the east I saw a large red star, larger than Mars or Venus, but I don't know what it is. There seemed to be no tail to the star, and I cannot believe that it is Halley's for we are not to see that wonder until next month. This star, however interested me as it was so large and red. Thinking of it, I believe it was more bronze than red. It was just above the tree tops and seemed about the size of a man's derby hat crown. I wonder what it is."

No one in the Chronicle office could answer him and information on the subject would be gladly received.

In view of the subsequent silence, we infer that Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Pinchot surely must have sworn each other to temporary secrecy.

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