

"Into Thine Hand."

"Into thine hand I commit my spirit; thou hast redeemed me, O, Lord God of Truth." This is the verse we found marked in her own Bible, while on the margin was written with her dear feeble hand, "For my funeral."

On the morning of the 20th of Nov., 1901, the gates of pearl were flung ajar and the soul of Lallie Williamson Ellington entered into rest. She was the beloved wife of our much esteemed High Sheriff, J. T. Ellington, and the idolized mother of three precious sons.

In the thirty-ninth year of her age, when life held for her every fair and cherished hope, the hand of that fell disease, consumption, laid its fatal touch on this sweet and lovely woman. But no purer heart than hers ever entered into the presence of Him who searcheth the hidden things of mortal life.

When she first felt the symptoms of the disease which had been her life-long dread, sad indeed was the thought to her of giving up husband, children and home. But as her day and trial so strength was given, and at the last her glorified spirit testified to a perfect submission to our Father's will.

On the Sunday before she died she sent for a few friends to go in her parlor and sing her some hymns. She selected "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," and "Jesus Paid it All." We added "Nearer my God, to Thee" and "Abide with Me." She sent us word that it was very sweet, and she did not know how to thank us.

In the Baptist church at Clayton, of which she had long been a devoted and useful member, her funeral was preached by Rev. Mr. Suttle, of Smithfield. This consecrated man of God spoke most earnestly and tenderly of the comfort and peace of the dear sister who had committed her earthly jewels "Into His Hand," and safe sheltered in that blessed fold, her departing spirit winged its happy, homeward flight.

A large crowd of friends from her old home and neighboring towns came together to testify of the warm regard in which she was held. She was passionately fond of flowers and her casket rested within a lovely bower of all the fairest and freshest blossoms that loving hands could arrange. Those nearest to her were all pure white. So fair and sweet and peaceful she looked in her soft white nest, lying on her right side, with one waxen hand under her cheek, the other holding graceful sprays of smilax and jessamine, while against her throat lay a great bunch of snowy carnations.

Long will she be missed from our midst, for she was the most charming, and gifted, and brilliant star of all our social circle. She was a beautiful little woman of rare influence. Highly cultured, with a wonderful intuition and tact, she could win and wield all hearts by her irresistible personal magnetism. And her soulful dark eyes would be suffused with tears at any tale of want and suffering, while her open hand was ever ready to relieve the need of the poor and afflicted.

She was a fond and faithful wife, a tender, doting mother, a perfect, unflinching friend. This most unworthy tribute from a sorrowing friend would give her dear name all love, and honor, and praise.

"Year after year must roll aside,
And days with darkness blend;
But life holds no such light again
As when I was thy friend."

I. H. H.

Clayton, N. C.

In Memory of Lessie.

On the night of October 25, 1901, the home of Mr and Mrs. Eli Johnson was saddened by the death of their daughter Lessie. Lessie May Johnson was born January 4, 1884, and died October 25, 1901. She leaves a mother, father, three brothers and three sisters to mourn their loss. She had been sick most eight weeks.

Lessie was a Christian girl and loved by all who knew her. None knew her but to love her. She had many friends everywhere she went. She joined Bethesda Baptist church and was baptized on the fourth Sunday in August.

Lessie was a kind and loving sister and a devoted daughter. She bore her sickness with patience and fortitude. All that kind parents, kind friends and skilled physicians could do was done, but Jesus had called and she had to go. Several times during her sickness she sang "Almost Persuaded" and "Sunshine in the Soul." They were two of her favorite songs. Lessie had a desire to get well so she

might go to her church and Sunday School.

May we all live in such a way as to meet dear Lessie in that bright and happy land where there will be no more sickness, no death, and no parting. We weep but not as those who have no hope, for she was prepared for the summons to cross over the river.

Her funeral was preached Saturday afternoon by Rev. J. W. Suttle, of Smithfield, and she was laid to rest at Bethesda church to await the resurrection morn.

She sleeps but not forever,
There will be a glorious dawn,
We shall meet to part, no never,
On the resurrection morn.

I extend my deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

A FRIEND, S. E. L.

Clayton, N. C., Nov. 27.

SELMA NEWS.

Mr. J. C. Scarborough left for Raleigh Thursday morning.

Mr. W. A. Hooks has gone to Dunn to spend Thanksgiving.

Miss Julia Fuller Etheredge is at home from Peace Institute to spend Thanksgiving.

Mrs. J. H. Parker and Miss Minnie are spending Thanksgiving in Goldsboro with Mrs. Pate.

Rev. J. W. Nobles has been quite sick this week with influenza but is a little better to-day (Thursday).

Rev. Mr. Butler, of Raleigh, is assisting Rev. Mr. McLeod in a series of meetings at the Baptist church here.

L. D. Debnam, J. W. Hilliard and J. R. Hinnant, of Clayton, were here Sunday visiting Clarence W. Richardson.

Misses Lillian Timberlake, of Franklinton, N. C., and Flossie Abell, of Smithfield, are visiting Miss Margaret Etheredge.

R. B. Whitley, R. E. Richardson and Robert Millard Nowell went to Wendell Wednesday to attend the marriage of Miss Claudia Richardson to Mr. Joseph Tucker.

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ATFA NOTES.

Miss Telitha Stephenson, who has been quite ill, is improving.

We are glad to see so many of our farmers sowing small grain.

The hog cholera has played havoc with the hogs in this section.

We learn that Mrs. W. H. Coats, who has been quite ill, is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. David Thompson, of Wilson's Mills, spent last week in our midst.

Master Herbert Austin has decided to make Smithfield his future home.

We learn that Mr. Wilhe H. Stephenson will soon make Raleigh his future home.

It is rumored that there will soon be a decrease in the membership of the Widower Club.

Mr. Charlie E. Stephenson, an enterprising young merchant of Benson, spent Sunday with us.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Stephenson, of Wilson's Mills, spent Saturday and Sunday in our community.

Mr. John Stephenson, of the Board of Education, will soon have his new residence completed.

Our public school is under the management of Elder J. A. T. Jones who is one of the best teachers in the county.

SPEAR.

CLAYTON NOTES.

Mr. L. D. Debnam went to Selma Sunday.

Mr. Jesse Hilliard went to Selma Sunday.

Mr. John W. Hales is putting up a fine residence in town.

It is rumored that we are to have another wedding in town soon.

Mr. W. E. Stallings and Mr. D. O. McCullers went to Auburn Sunday.

Rev. C. A. G. Thomas is in town visiting his son this week. He preached for us Sunday and Sunday night.

The improvements on Robertson's Hotel will soon be completed. After it is finished it will be one of the finest places in town.

Mr. Will H. McCullers and Mr. Can Pool went to New Bern Sunday where they expect to spend several days hunting.

Our town is on a boom now. Several new houses are being erected and the street force are putting the streets in good condition.

ROME RIPPLES.

Walter Godwin, of Dunn, spent Sunday in our midst.

The rain of last Saturday was gladly welcomed in this section.

Owing to the unfavorable weather there were no services at Trinity Sunday.

Miss Bertha Hudson, an excellent teacher, has charge of the public school at Wentworth.

A cyclone passed through Mr. Troy Eldridge's plantation last Saturday, doing considerable damage. Two outhouses were wrecked, a number of fruit trees uprooted and a lot of fence blown down.

Died.

On Monday, Nov. 18th, 1901, at 8:40 o'clock p. m., Mr. W. D. Price died of pneumonia after an illness of over two weeks, age 59 years. A large number of friends had assembled around his bedside when death occurred.

Mr. Price was a good farmer and neighbor and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

A FRIEND.

Scrofula
THE OFFSPRING OF HEREDITARY BLOOD TAIN.

Scrofula is but a modified form of Blood Poison and Consumption. The parent who is tainted by either will see in the child the same disease manifesting itself in the form of swollen glands of the neck and throat, catarrh, weak eyes, offensive sores and abscesses and oftentimes white swelling—sure signs of Scrofula. There may be no external signs for a long time, but the disease develops slowly in some cases, but the poison is in the blood and will break out at the first favorable opportunity. S. S. S. cures this wasting, destructive disease by first purifying and building up the blood and stimulating and invigorating the whole system.



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J. W. CANADAY,

N24-1m BENSON, N. C.

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SETH ALLEN & BROTHER,

BENSON, N. C.

N28-1m

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