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THE NEWS FROM CLAYTON.

The Week's Events in This Thriving his regular appointment at Sardis, Little City Briefly Told for Herald Readers.

Clayton, N. C., Dec. 22 .- We wish every reader of the Clayton Items a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mr. J. M. Beaty, of THE HERALD. was in town Monday looking after business matters.

The toy shops here are crowded every day with shoppers. Notwithstanding the tough weather there have been numbers of country people around every day.

In a few days now, the store occupled by Mr. C. H. Ellis will be moved and the new street recently surveyed will be finished

Mr. Jesse W. Hilliard and family will move back in town about the first of the year. Mrs. Hilliard will be connected with the Clayton Millinery Co, and Mr. Hilliard will put in a full line of fine dry-goods in connection with the millinery department Mr. Hilliard promises to give us a much needed enterprise, a ladies' outfitting store

There will evidently be some changes in Clayton about the first of the year but as usual they will in almost every case be for the improvement of conditions in all lines.

Dr. H. H. Horne and family will arrive here Thursday from Hanover, Sunday with his parents. Mass. Dr. Horne will be here only a few days and will be glad to have and Sunday in Wilson county. his friends in to see him while here. Mrs. Horne and the children will be ed church Sunday. here until Easter.

Miss Lilleur Beale, of Franklin, Va., is here to spend the holidays day in our midst. with her sister, Mrs. Will H. McCullers.

There will be a Poverty Party at the Academy on New Year's eve. The in our community. proceeds will be used for the benefit of the band

day at Blackman's Grove and Four Oaks. Rev. W. C. Royal also filled Sunday morning.

The public debate which took place at the Auditorium of the Benson large crowd.

Of the teachers of the Benson homes, are Miss Zula Bruton who mother in Meadow township, left Tuesday night for her home at Fayetteville; Miss Mae Beck left teachers from Plleasant Grove at-Wednesday night for Henderson; tended the "Teachers' Association" Misses Mamie Page and Lillion at Smithfield last Saturday and refor Durham; Mrs. Toler who will Hill's North Carolina leave later for lower Johnston; Miss tween the teachers. Macie Glasgow for Shelby, and Prof.

Royal for . ayetteville. ploded blowing the top off the mill writer wishes them much success house and completely wrecking the mill. A piece of iron from the mill weighing about 100 pounds fell in front of Mr. A. L. Barefoot's store on Main street, one hundred and fif ty yards from the mill. Fortunately all the hands were in the gin house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. when the explosion occurred and no Winston, Mr. Eddie Martin, son of one was injured.

POWHATAN NEWS.

Mr. Henry Pool, of Clayton, spent E. Winston, Esq. Mr. C. H. Medlin spent Saturday Mr. J. C. Ellis, of Clayton, attend- lings with Miss Lula Driver, Mr. Tom

Ellis, of Wilson's Mills, spent Sun- Martha Stallings.

home to spend the holidays.

which was to be held at New Chap- they found a sumptuous dinner wait- ed and

PLEASANT GROVE ITEMS.

notice that a great many of our people are practicing that old and la-High school last Friday night be. mentable habit of having "whiskey" tween the members of the two liter- shipped here from Virginia. We trust ary societies was listened to by a that this kind of business will soon Mrs. Emma Jackson, one of the be stopped.

Mr. and Mrs. High school who have left for their spent Sunday with Mrs. Stephenson's from the stand she turned to Judge Mr. H. D. Lambert, one of the

We learn that Mr. Lawrence Stephenson, of Pleasant Grove, and Miss and happiness

REPORTER.

Martin-Driver.

rider, who has turned State's evi dence. Russell came to Union City On Sunday morning, December 13, lafter the Rankin killing and made a confession. He was trembling with fear and could scarcely Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Martin, and voice above a whisper. The attorney Miss Ara Driver, daughter of Mr. general had to repeat most of his and Mrs. J. M. Driver, were united auswers in order that the jury might in the holy bonds of marriage by J. hear them. Russell is under con-

The attendants were: Mr. Eugene Manning with Miss precautions.

Dorcas Driver, Mr. Haywood Stalmie Stallings with Miss Harriet Stal-Messrs, M. M. Jones and Grover lings, Mr. Canley Driver with Miss tail.

Quite a number of their immediate Mr. Archie Jones, of Raleigh is friends were present. After attend-

Christmas is almost here and we Another Confessed Night Rider Be trays Secrets of the Outlaws and Trembles with fear While on the

ACTIONS OF TREACHEROUS BANK

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 22 .- When State witnesses, this afternoon in J. R. Stephenson the night riders' trial was excused Jones and said: "I will not leave the court room without armed protection. I know these men.

Mrs. Jackson told a vivid story of several visits of the riders, corobo-Markham left Wednesday morning ports a very interesting contest in rating Fred Fehringer's testamony History be- in many details, as did other witnesses, and identified by name at

least 27 members of the band. She was followed on the stand by her On Monday afternoon the boiler at Kizzie Denning, of Harnett county, daughter, Miss Dora Jackson, an 18the mill of Mr. J. W. Wood, Jr., ex- were happily married Sunday. The year-old girl, who coroborated her mother

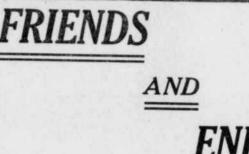
Russell Trembled With Fear. The last witness of the day was

Will Russell, another alleged night raise his

stant guard, but says he fears that he will be killed in spite of these

Russell's story was practically the same as that told by Fehringer and coroorated it in every essential de-Cross-examination was deferr ed until Wednesday morning.

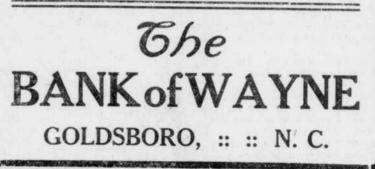
Ordered Her to Burn House. Mrs. Jackson said the riders came ing church at Antioch the happy to her home, forced her to dress and Mr. A. Sullivant, of Princeton," is groom and bride, accompanied by accompany them to her father's with their many friends, returned to the her husband and daughter. They or-The basket picnic and vocal union home of the bride's father where dered her to kill some dogs she ownburned her father's She identified Carrett Johnson as the leader. The riders came back two nights later, she declared, forced her to go to her father's, half clad, and said there had been some talking "I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints, but then her sisters. She said she recog-I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that medy others A third time they called to others. A third time they called to force her to get rid of her sister's little child because the latter had quarreled with another neighbor's child. They told Mrs. Jackson that if they had to come again they would whip her. A fourth time they if it came to whip her father because he testified before the grand jury. On the last visit Gerrett Johnson, said the witness, asked her if she had Durham, N. C., Dec. 21 .- Tonight talked. She replied: "No Mr. Jon-



Nearly everybody who is anybody, has some of both---but some good man has said. "The man you do not like, is probably the man you do not know."

Think about that. :: It is good. If you do not like us, we believe the reason may be found in the fact that you do not know us. If you do like us, tell your neighbor. If you don't, tell us ... we'll make it right if it can be done





About twenty of the Clayton boys el the fourth Saturday in December ing them. May life's sweetest blessand girls who are attending college has been postponed. The date will ings be theirs. A FRIEND.

are already at home for the holidays. appear later. Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Green are all They are all glad to be at home

again and we are glad to have them, smiles now-a-days-it is a boy. The many friends of Mr. W. H. All the teachers of Clayton High School are spending the holidays at Pool are glad to see him out after several days of sickness. their homes

Mr. I. W. Jones has purchased a Messra Gower and Wallace have moved to their new home on Main gasoline engine.

Miss Emma Stephenson, of Clay-

This is Worth Reading.

Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I cured the

Leo F. Zelinski, of 68 Gibson St.

ARCHER NEWS NOTES.

decorating, etc., was done by the United art Co., of this place.

THE NEWS IN BENSON.

Gathered and Reported by The most annoying cold sore I ever had Herald's Regular Correspondent. with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I ap-

Benson, N. C., Dec. 23 .- Mr. Troy spend the holidays.

Mr. C. W. Gold, of Raleigh, spent store. 25c. last Friday in our town.

Miss Nellie Lassiter, of the Four Oaks section, is visiting Miss Inez Parker.

Mr. A. R. Evett, of Norfolk, Va., mas and a happy New Year to all. killed. The discharge of Barbee lea- bile line. left Tuesday morning for his home Many of our people are moving ves the officers absolutely in the to spend the holidays.

Rev. and Mrs. Chas. Johnson, of year. Dunn, visited relatives here last All the public schools around here week. are closing up for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Britt are visiting their parents at Clinton.

Rev. Mr. Blalock preached an able Wednesday night for benefit of the taken until tonight. and instructive sermon at the Free churches.

Will Baptist church here Sunday morning.

On Wednesday night the Sun Beam near Selma, class of the Baptist church gave an Your correspondent is informed prove an alibi, but the State thought entertainment which was enjoyed by that a double wedding was solemn- that it would establish a complete a large audience.

North Carolina Day was observed the contracting parties being Mr. E. all of that night. in Benson High School last Friday R. Williamson, of Archer, and Miss STRAYED-1 have taken up a with readings, recitations, etc., from Ruth Jordan, of Wilson's Mills, and stray white and black sow. Owner

North Carolina history.

lar appointments Saturday and Sun- Antioch.

Medicine That is Medicine.

drug store.

Electric litters: a media. medicine ha street. They have now one of the handsomest barber shops in the coua-ty. All the interior work, papering, decorating, etc., was done by the A. H. J. part vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded fails to help you. 50c at Hood Bros.

Reuben Barbee is Discharged.

plied this salve once a day for two after a lengthy hearing, Mayor Gra- son, I have not." days, when every trace of the sore ham discharged Reuben Barbee of

hold in the face of the alibi that the

Archer, Dec. 22 .- A merry Christ- the officers on the morning he was

and getting ready for the coming dark. There is now no clue.

The case of Reuben Barbee consumed all of the afternoon, the trial being before the mayor. The case Miss Emma Castleberry will give a began at 1:20 o'clock and it was Box party at Archer school house near dark when the adjournment was

Barbee stood charged with the Mr. A. N. Smith left Sunday to murder of Engineer J. A. Holt at the visit his sister, Mrs. J. H. Brannan, coal shute on the early morning of December 3. His reliance was to ized at Corinth church last Sunday, case. Barbee swore he was at home

field.

"If you were a man" Johnson re-Holmes is here from Wilmington to was gone." Heals all sores. Sold un- the charge of killing Engineer Holt. torted, "I'd blow your brains out. der guarantee at Hood Bros. drug The evidence was not sufficient to We will hang you if you talk."

> defendant established. This leaves Buies Creek Improvement Company, the moment after it was reported to capital stock \$25,000, to develop elec-

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GOT WRONG ROBE-Some one through mistake took the wrong bug-

gy robe from the office of the River side Warehouse last Tuesday even-Mr. Thomas Jordan, of Wilson's can get same by paying for charges ing, December 15. If the person who Rev. D. F. Putnam filled his regu-Mills, and Miss Sudie Creech, of near and this notice. O. R. Rand, Smith-took it will return to THE HERALD, and Che pump man about Myer's and this notice. O. R. Rand, Smith-took it will return to THE HERALD. he can get his own robe.

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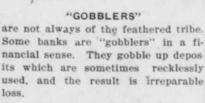
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Smithfield, N. C.

LADIES WATCH LOST-Early in Novemer, 1907, my daughter lost a gold watch on the church yard at Pisgah Baptist church 41/2 miles west of Smithfield. The numer of the move ment is 12,251,403 and the No. of the case is 151,191. The watch is a Wal-