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## THE PASSING OF THE OLD YEAR

### The New Year Ushered in by the Ringing of Bells -- Music and Fire-Works.

The jolliest, freest and happiest crowd ever seen on Williamston's streets was that out on New Year Eve. The sound of horn, drum and laughter from happy hearts resounded through the clear winter air. The moon was shining in glorious splendor—the ideal night for new thoughts, bright hopes and good resolutions. A merry crowd of boys and girls entered the different churches, and the bells pealed forth the glad news of the birth of 1909, as the hands on the clock on the City Hall pointed to midnight.

But all the happiness was not caused by the passing of the old year—another event was taking place all over the dear old State of North Carolina—it was the death of King Alcohol! Joy was in the breasts of the many who had worked and prayed for the time to come. All day people had crowded into the saloons, some to get "a little for camphor," and others just to see the fun. Even the saloon keepers enjoyed the scene, though it meant a cessation of business for them. Everybody was good natured, and good feeling prevailed.

#### In Memoriam.

After a long and protracted affliction, Friday, the 25th. of December, in early morn, the soul of Mrs. E. P. Cullifer, relict of the late A. T. Cullifer, broke away from its tenement of clay, and returned unto God who gave it. She leaves one aged brother and many relatives to mourn their loss. In early life she united with the Methodist Church, but for 35 or 40 years has had no church connection, but has worshipped mostly with the Church at Skewarkee. She was of quiet disposition, having but little to say, especially in her later years, being so afflicted that she was as helpless as a child. She lived to a ripe old age, 85 years and 9 months, and died at the home of her nephew, Mr. G. Reddick. The interment was in the family graveyard, on Saturday, the 26th. of December.

Let us hope that she spent the happiest day of her life on that Christmas, when she entered the presence of the Most High.

G. J. D.

It requires a proper combination of certain acids with natural digestive juices to perfect a dyspepsia cure. And that is what Kodol is—a perfect digester that digests all the food you eat. If you will take Kodol for a little while you will no longer have indigestion. You then couldn't have indigestion. How could you have indigestion if your food was to digest? Kodol digests all you eat. It is pleasant to take, acts promptly. Sold by Chase's Drug Store; Bigg's Drug Store.

#### Death of Mr. John Ward

News of the death of Mr. John Ward at his home in Jamesville on Thursday, came unexpectedly to his relatives and friends. He had suffered with a chill on last Sunday, but was not pronounced seriously ill. Another chill attacked him, proving to be a violent yellow chill which is fatal in the county. The deceased leaves five children: Thos. Ward, of Cal., George Ward, of Tenn., David Ward of Rocky Mt. and John and Tillie Ward who were with him when he died. His wife, who survives him, is an invalid and has been for years. Many friends sympathize with the family in their sore affliction.

## HAMILTON NEWS

Quite a pretty marriage was solemnized at the Primitive Baptist church on last Wednesday evening when Miss Alice Lawrence was married to Mr. Vance Cuthbertson of Charlotte N. C. Mr. Robert Baker was best man, and Miss Nannie House was maid of honor. The attendants were: Mr. Gladstone Anthony with Miss Helen Edmonson, and Mr. Edward Matthews with Miss Rachel Edmonson. Waldo Grimes and Darden Jones were ushers. Rev. M. T. Lawrence pastor of the church, performed the ceremony, it being witnessed by a large number of friends and relatives. The bride entered the church leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Willie Lawrence of Whitakers N. C. and was met at the altar by the groom and his best man. They were the recipients of quite a number of useful and handsome presents.

Mrs. T. B. Slade entertained very charmingly on Monday night in honor of Mr. T. B. Slade, Jr. who is at home for the holidays from Chapel Hill and Miss Penelope Slade, of Columbus, Ga., who came from St. Mary's to spend Xmas with her relatives. Among those present were: Misses Maud and Lillie May Baker, Mary P. Gladstone, Maggie Belle and Maggie Jones, Castrine Purvis, Fannie Matthews, Messrs. Edward Matthews, Don Matthews, Darden Jones, Edgar Long, William Grimes, Ralph Watkins, of Philadelphia, and Roy Barnhill. After playing several games, elegant refreshments were served, then all left for home, voting Mrs. Slade a most charming hostess.

You may eat all the good sensible food you like if you will let Kodol digest it for you. Don't worry about dyspepsia or indigestion for worry only tends to make you more nervous. Besides you don't have to worry any more about what you eat, because Kodol for Dyspepsia and Indigestion will digest any and all food at any and all times. Kodol is guaranteed to give prompt relief. Sold by Chase's Drug Store; Bigg's Drug Store.

#### Aid For Italian Sufferers

A disaster appalling in magnitude has befallen the people of Southern Italy. This is a case that appeals to all good people, and now is the time for a substantial expression of sympathy for these sufferers, a million of whom are rendered homeless by the recent earthquake in those parts and two hundred thousand killed or lost.

We have been wonderfull blessed as regards our safety and plenty. No disasters have overtaken us and our people do not know by experience the meaning of "want." Let us do unto others as we would have them under like conditions do to us.

An offering will be taken at the Episcopal, Baptist and Methodist Churches Sunday morning and forwarded to the sufferers by the safest and quickest exchange. Those who do not find it convenient to attend church, may leave their contribution at either of the banks and proper credit will be given.

(Signed)  
G. J. Dowell,  
W. J. Gordon,  
C. L. Read.

#### Coltrain-Griffin

Mr. D. A. Coltrain and Miss Martha F. Griffin were married at the residence of the bride, on December the 31st, by Elder A. D. Mizell. The bride is the daughter of Mr. G. W. Griffin, of Martin County. The groom is a Martin County boy who has been in business for several years in Brooklyn, N. Y. The wedded pair left on the North bound train for their home, where the best wishes of a host of friends follow them.

## ROBERSONVILLE NEWS ITEMS

### People Coming and Going--As Gathered By Our Regular Correspondent.

By JOHN D. EVERETT

John D. Everett went to Bethel Monday.

Mr. F. A. James of Norfolk, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunning left Monday for Williamston.

Miss Emma Robertson went to Williamston Saturday.

Miss Isolan Brown returned from Bethel Monday evening.

Mr. W. F. Parker came home from Washington Monday.

Mr. J. T. Brown will move over on Broad Street next week.

Miss Sallie Everett, of Gold Point was in town Saturday.

Mr. Alton Harper, of Wilmington visited in town Saturday.

Mr. Sam T. Ross went to Tarboro Sunday to visit his parents.

Miss Maree Robertson went to Mr. Sam Burroughs Wednesday.

Mr. Church Barnhill will move to Everetts at the close of the year.

Mrs. C. W. Turner, of Rocky Mount visited Mrs. D. R. Chaudler this week.

Mr. J. W. Hardison of Washington spent Sunday night with Mr. Joe Mizell.

Mrs. J. E. Ward went to Harrellville last week to take Xmas with her parents.

Miss Maggie Harrison and Mr. Sam Gurganus were made one Wednesday.

Miss Sherrod, of High Point is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Outerbridge this week.

Mrs. D. R. Perkins and family went to Jamesville Saturday and returned Tuesday.

Miss Mattie Brown became the bride of Mr. Reuben Taylor, of Bethel Wednesday.

Mr. W. C. Carson, of Raleigh spent Monday night here with his brother, Roy Carson.

Mr. L. T. Roberson is home from Charleston, S. C. with his family for the holidays.

Miss Minta Bonner, who has been teaching near here, went home at Aurora for the holidays.

#### A Quiet Christmas

Christmas in Williamston was a quiet, peaceful and happy day. The morning was cloudy with a slight fall of rain; in the afternoon, a heavy cloud filled with thunder, rain and hail came looming up from the West. The wind blew a gale and the air, which had been soft and balmy, changed several degrees. This was the only thing marring the pleasure of the day, as many were kept within doors.

No disturbance or accident of any kind happened to make the day one of unpleasant remembrance. Everybody seemed to have the true spirit of Christmas. From reports, it is estimated that there were more packages handled by mail and express than ever before. This was true also of presents within the town; all speak for the truer observance of the spirit of helpful giving. Many were made to rejoice that they had found a place in the hearts of others.

The Methodist and Episcopal Churches had appropriate services, but the number of worshippers was small. The decorations and music were simple, but beautiful, filling the congregations with the spirit of reverential joy. Everything in the services emphasized the wonderful birth of the Babe of Bethlehem.

Mr. R. B. Brown is to live in Washington next year, having sold his farm to A. R. Bailey.

Messrs Sam and Homer Burroughs, of near Williamston, visited friends and relatives in town this week.

Mr. Justus Everett, of Palmyra, was in town Tuesday and spent Tuesday night with Prof. Outerbridge.

Mrs. R. J. Nelson went to her father's near Bethel, Monday to be present at the wedding of her brother.

Mrs. Mary A. Everett returned from Oak City last Saturday, where she had been spending some time with her son and daughter.

Elder T. W. Lawrence of Hamilton was the guest of Mr. J. C. Robertson Sunday night. He preached at Prof. Outerbridge's.

The children and a large crowd of older people participated in the pleasures of the Christmas tree at the Methodist Church Christmas night.

Many farmers are killing hogs this week. There will be plenty of hog in the country next year to go with the large crop of hominy. This is an indication that farmers are making their smoke houses and corn cribs close home. Home support insures freedom from debt, and something for a rainy day.

With the first day of January our towns will close the saloons. All fair minded men will co-operate in giving the prohibition law a fair trial. If, then, it should prove not to be to the best interest of a majority of the citizens, the ballot is the only means to change for something better.

Most of the schools will open next Monday. Parents should try to get their children in the first day. Those who are not present at first and get the order in for books, with the large order, will have to pay extra postage. Besides, it will be of great advantage both to the teachers and pupils for all the pupils to be present the first day and regularly thereafter.

#### Sunday School Class Entertained.

Master Edgar and Miss Carrie Dell Blount entertained the Infant Class of the Methodist Sunday School, on Friday night, at the Roanoke Hotel. The little folks brought with them other guests and the hours were filled with merry laughter from happy hearts. The fun of the evening began with games into which every one entered joyously. Moving pictures exhibited by the young host and hostess, brought exclamations of delight from the lips of the little audience. Later in the evening, fireworks were given to each one, and the display was beautiful and exciting to the happy children who regard Christmas dull without the smell of powder. After everything had been enjoyed to the fullest, and the house was growing late for little eyes, candies and fruits were served and was a delightful ending to the many features of the hour.

Those present were: Mary King Ellison, Stee, Mary Clyde and Francis Leggett, Corinne, Reynolds and Vinson Smith, Louise, Janie, Ralph and Jack Edwards, Hans and Mary Gladys Watts; Allie Bennett, Rosetta Turner, Glenwood, Carl and Charles Ellington; Marshall Bland, C. D. Carstarphen, Jr., Hilda Bennett, Joe and Claude Leggett.

#### A Card.

Some people do not seem to understand that a Baptist minister is located permanently, until he or she the church he serves, becomes dissatisfied. I will say that my call is indefinite, and so far as I know, my continuance, for a while, at least is assured. Having lived ten years in Martin County, and six years in this town, I am here as your friend and fellow citizen, to do what I can for the moral and spiritual uplift of the people. When you prosper, I rejoice, when you are unfortunate I regret it, when you are in trouble I most heartily sympathize with you. I am truly and really your friend. As I am reaching the frosts of life's pathway, I know how to feel for and sympathize with the old. As I have passed middle age, I know and do sympathize with the great army of men and women who are struggling to carry life's burdens. As I have been young myself, I know and do most heartily and sincerely sympathize with the young. My blood is still warm, and my pulse quick beating in sympathy with you. So that I wish to be looked upon as everybody's friend, sympathizer and well-wisher. I am here for the best work I can do, the best advice I can give, the best comfort I can offer.

Come to see me, encourage me and pray for me, and I will try to make your presence a mutual blessing. Come to the church I have the honor to serve, and see if you do not get a cordial handshake and a hearty "God bless you." Come and let us worship and bow down together.

Respectfully,  
G. J. Dowell.

#### Mr. C. B. Hassell Entertains.

Reported  
Mr. C. B. Hassell entertained at cards on Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Mary Lee Woodard and Miss Delzelle Woodard, of Wilson, N. C. Mr. Hassell was assisted in his role of host by his sister, Mrs. Frederick Hoyt, and both made every one spend a most delightful evening.

Bridge and Five Hundred were played and a delicious menu was served at the close of the game. Others beside the honor guests, who were the recipients of Mr. Hassell's charming hospitality were Miss Mary Hassell, Mrs. C. A. Jeffers, Mrs. A. I. J. Boswell, Chase City, Va., Mr. John L. Hassell, Dr. Jas. S. Rhodes, Theodore Hassell, C. A. Jeffers, Charles Hassell, Frank Fagan and Frank Hassell, of Wilson, N. C.

#### Sunday School Entertainment.

Reported  
The Episcopal Sunday School was given its annual entertainment on Tuesday night at the Masonic Hall. A handsome holly tree laden with gifts had been arranged by the teachers, and Santa Claus came in from the Arctic regions, a little late for his appearance, but none the less welcome. The strenuous life that he has been leading for the past week had somewhat disarranged his costume, but it was fun for the children and Santa's discomfiture was not apparent. Everybody had a jolly good time, though there was confusion galore owing to the limited time for the distribution of the gifts. Yet in language of the street, it was "a howling success."

Prizes offered at the beginning of the year were won by the following: Louise Upton, Pennie Biggs, Daisy Jones, Clyde Hassell, James Upton, Carrie Murdock, Nina Upton, Louise Fowden, Sylvia Upton and Laurie Ellison. Rev. Mr. Gordon was the recipient of a gold coin from the Woman's Auxiliary, and others received prizes for faithful work.

## END OF THE YEAR DANCE

### Complimentary to Visitors -- Most Enjoyable of the Winter

The German Club gave a dance on Monday night, at the Opera House, complimentary to the Misses Woodard and Daniel, of Wilson, who are the guests of Miss Mary Hassell on Smithwick Street. Music was furnished by Alexander's Orchestra.

Mr. C. B. Hassell with Miss Mary Lee Woodard, led the beautiful figures so much enjoyed by lovers of the waltz. The floor was crowded with dancers, and a large number of spectators found delight in watching the gay participants. At a late hour, the pleasures of the dance ended and many were served lunch at the homes of the ladies who were present.

Among those present were: W. F. Lipscombe with Miss Louise Fowden; Luke Lamb with Miss Delzelle Woodard, of Wilson; S. R. Biggs with Miss Nannie Smith, of Plymouth; Theodore Hassell with Mrs. Alice L. J. Boswell, of Chase City, Va.; J. Walton Hassell with Miss Essie Peele; Wheeler Martin with Miss Hannah Victoria Fowden; B. Haywood Knight with Miss Annie Lamb; John Lanier Hassell with Miss Mary Hassell; B. F. Godwin with Miss Daniel; Dr. J. Slade Rhodes with Miss Ella Grist Stator; James Mitchell, of Norfolk, with Miss Eva Wolfe; Julius Peel with Miss Eva Gainer; Mr. and Mrs. Kader B. Crawford; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Godwin; Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Coffield.

Stags: W. B. Watts, Clayton Moore of Buffalo Springs, Va.; F. S. Hassell, of Wilson, and E. H. Hardison.

Chaperones: Mesdames Alex. H. Smith, W. R. Fowden, F. L. Mingo, W. P. McCraw and P. K. Hodges.

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#### Baraca Class Entertained

The Baraca Class recently organized at the Baptist Sunday School, was entertained at the residence of Rev. G. J. Dowell by Miss Rosena Dowell, on Tuesday night.

The most pleasing feature of the evening was the guessing contest arranged by the hostess. Miss Blanche Mizell won the first prize, and Miss Eva Gainer the booby. Cake and cream were served in the dining hall by Misses Rosena and Pattie Dowell.

The members of the class and their guests were: Misses H. V. Fowden, Blanche Mizell, Hattie Kirby, Eliza Davis, Eva Gainer, Carrie Biggs and Messrs. Wheeler Martin Jr., B. A. Critcher, Andrew DeLesser, D. E. Gurganus, Grover Godwin, J. B. Jones, S. P. Everett, C. A. Baker and Percy Critcher.

#### Christmas Tree.

Christmas Eve, the Baptist Sunday School was entertained at the Masonic Hall. The committee in charge had made elaborate preparations for the bringing of joy to the heart of every member of the different classes. Handsome presents hung from every available twig on the immense tree—the list of pupils is a very large one for it is one of the best working schools in the State. Everything passed off joyously, and the children were filled with the desire to do more effective work in 1909.