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DEATH OF REV. W. C. NORMAN.

His demise was sudden and unexpected. Died at Wilmington. Was buried in Lexington.

Rev. W. C. Norman, D. D., one of the most prominent Methodist preachers in the State, and pastor of Trinity church, Durham, died suddenly last Sunday morning at 12:30 o'clock, at Wilmington, where he was attending the sessions of the North Carolina conference.

Rev. Norman complained early Saturday evening of suffering with indigestion and retired about 10 o'clock. Shortly after midnight he became worse and awakened members of the family at home where he was being entertained, and a physician was summoned. Mr. Norman expired before the summons could be answered.

Mr. Norman went to Wilmington last Wednesday in his usual good health to attend the conference. Before going he accompanied his wife, Mrs. Sallie Hargrave Norman, as far as Greensboro, where she visited for a few days, and then came to Lexington to spend the period of her husband's absence with her brothers and sisters at this place. The first intimation of her husband's death was gleaned from a telegram received Sunday morning. Mrs. Norman went to Durham Sunday night, accompanied by Mrs. C. C. Hargrave and Mr. R. S. Hargrave, to meet her husband's remains which were brought to that city from Wilmington.

The funeral services were held at Trinity church, Durham, Monday evening at 3 o'clock, and were conducted by Rev. Frank H. Wood, assisted by the various pastors of the churches in Durham. The tributes to the memory of the deceased were beautiful and touching. Trinity church was packed to overflowing and practically all business in the town was suspended during the service and the procession reached from the church to the depot.

The body arrived at Lexington Monday night after 9 o'clock and was carried to the Hargrave residence (the old home of Mrs. Norman) at the corner of State and First street, south. Here it lay in state until yesterday morning at 10 o'clock when the interment took place in Lexington cemetery. Appropriate exercises were conducted at the grave by Rev. Frank H. Wood, of Durham, Rev. F. M. Shamberger, of Rockingham, and Rev. J. D. Arnold, of Lexington. The remains were escorted from Durham by Gen. Julian S. Carr, Rev. Frank H. Wood, Mr. J. H. Southgate, Dr. R. A. Moore, Rev. W. H. Pegram, Messrs. E. T. Rollins, J. D. Pridgen, Thos. J. Lamb, J. L. Whitmore, and J. S. Mealey, of Durham; Joseph G. Brown and Jesse A. Jones, of Raleigh; Rev. F. M. Shamberger of Wilmington; Mr. Eugene Albee and son, Norman, of Winston; Misses Annie Pegram and Linda Clement, and W. W. Wood, of Greensboro. A number of immediate relatives accompanied the body to Lexington.

The floral designs were very beautiful, elaborate. They came from his friends, societies and organizations in Durham and from friends in Raleigh and elsewhere.

Sketch of the Deceased.

Rev. William Capers Norman was 57 years of age. He was the son of Rev. Alfred Norman and was born in June 1854, while his father was pastor of Davidson circuit. He was an active pastor for 35 years. Mr. Norman was prepared for college at Lenoir Castle, Caswell county, and entered Trinity College in 1888, from which he graduated four years later. He left two brothers, Mr. N. B. Norman, of Roxboro, and Mr. W. P. Norman, of Kentucky; also two sisters, Mrs. James H. Womack and Mrs. John Y. Stokes, both of Reidsville.

On November 27, 1877, Mr. Norman was the organist at Miss Sallie Hargrave, of Lexington, who survives him. Only a few weeks ago they celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their married life.

During the thirty years of his life as a minister Mr. Norman was pastor of the following churches: Wentworth circuit, 8 years; Person Street church, Raleigh, (now Central church) 4 years; Centenary church, Winston, 4 years; Grace church, Wilmington, 4 years; Edenton Street church, Raleigh, 8 years, and Trinity church, Durham, 3 years.

He was a member of the board of trustees of Trinity College at the time of his death.

Mr. Norman stood high in the counsels of his church, and the fact that he served out his full time at all of the churches of which he has been pastor proves that he was loved by all with whom he came in contact.

TROUSER FACTORY ORGANIZED.
Company is incorporated and will begin work January 1st.

The Ureka Trousers Company is the name of an organization matured here recently and last week incorporated by the State for the purpose of manufacturing trousers. The company has a capital stock of \$10,000 and has the privilege to increase this amount to \$100,000.

Mr. Jno. D. Grimes is president, W. G. Penry, vice-president and Mr. J. W. Noell, of Roxboro, is secretary and treasurer. The directors are: T. J. Grimes, J. F. Ward, J. T. Hedrick, Geo. W. Montcastle, J. D. Grimes, W. G. Penry and J. W. Noell.

The ground floor of the Hedrick & Sink building has been leased and the necessary equipments will be purchased at once. The company will be ready to begin the manufacture of trousers by the first of January. Mr. Noell, the secretary and treasurer, has had considerable experience in the business and thoroughly understands all the details.

At least thirty-five young women will be given employment in the factory. The work is light and the wages paid will be remunerative. The company desires this number to begin work the first of the new year.

Cigarette Law.
The following is an exact copy of the cigarette law as now on the statute books of North Carolina, which we publish by request:

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, give away or otherwise dispose of, directly or indirectly, cigarettes or tobacco in the form of cigarettes, or cut tobacco in any form or shape which may be used or intended to be used as a substitute for cigarettes, to any minor under the age of seventeen years, and any one violating the provisions of this act, or any person or persons aiding, assisting or abetting the violations thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by fine or imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Any person who shall or may aid or assist any such minor child in obtaining the possession of cigarettes or tobacco in any form used as a substitute therefor, by whatsoever name it may be called, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

Crazy Drunk, He Burned \$500.
Joe Mitchell a hard working employe of the Piedmont Table Company of High Point, became crazy drunk Saturday night as the result of two drinks of corn whiskey, and demolished all the furniture in his house and burned up a trunk containing \$500, the result of seven years hard work. The liquor is said to have been drugged.

Special Term to Try Wilcox.
Gov. Aycock yesterday ordered a special term of Perquimans county Superior court on January 12 to try criminal cases. Judge Council presides. It will try the case of Jim Wilcox, charged with murdering Nellie Croxsey.

TO INDICT REGISTRAR MOYER.
Two Negroes Who Were Refused Registration on Account of Incompetency are Summoned as Witnesses.

Hampton Ellis and Frank Lowe, two colored men who failed to register on account of incompetency, have been summoned to go to Charlotte as witnesses in the Federal court against the registrar in Lexington township. In each of these cases the registrar kept a sample of the work done by these two negroes. We have seen their writing and do not hesitate to say that the registrar would have been guilty of perjury had he registered these men. The fact is he could not afford to register them without totally disregarding the law under which he was performing a sworn duty. Any man will agree to this upon examination of the spelling and writing of Hamp Ellis and Frank Lowe, which can be seen by calling on the registrar.

This morning's Charlotte Observer contained the following item in regard to the case:

"District Attorney Holton yesterday issued a subpoena for Registrar John H. Moyer, of Davidson county, who is charged with refusing to allow Professors H. M. Ellis and J. F. Lowe, teachers in the Lexington colored graded schools, to vote. Both negroes are in the city and read and wrote last night for the edification of the district attorney and the assistant district attorney, Mr. A. H. Price."

The Dispatch desires to say that there are about two thousand good white men in Davidson county who are standing by Mr. Moyer and the other Democratic registrars in this county. They shall not be harmed by these defeated radicals who run to the federal court when they fail to bribe and intimidate enough men to carry the election. This is a white man's county and will be governed by white men. The amendment was adopted by a majority of 50,000 white folks for the purpose of disfranchising negroes and the spirit of that constitutional amendment will be carried out regardless of the partisan Republican Federal court.

OWNS A GOLD MINE.
Rich Ores From Peters Mine in Davidson County.

Some rich ore has been taken out of the Peters gold mine in Davidson county. The Virginia Pilot of last Thursday says:

W. J. Brent of this city, who is interested in the Peters' gold mine, in Portsmouth for the purpose of interesting capital in his mining operations. Mr. Brent exhibited a bottle containing about two ounces of gold ore, which is said to be rich in the precious metal and copper, and is valued about \$22 an ounce.

Mr. Brent secured an option on 250 acres of gold land in Davidson county about a year ago, and has sunk a shaft to a depth of 80 feet. One hundred tons of rich ore have been brought to the surface and the outlook for the mine is promising.

Additional capital is needed, however, to push operations during the winter and spring, and Mr. Brent is now in correspondence with a Philadelphia man, who will probably put money into the mine.

It is stated that there are five undeveloped gold veins on Mr. Brent's little reservation, besides the one now being worked. The assay shows that the ore contains \$28 of gold and \$22 of copper per ton.

The mine is eleven miles from the line of the Southern Railway, but a branch track has been surveyed to within half a mile of the gold field, and when completed will greatly facilitate operations.

—Col. W. E. Holt, of Lexington, has been elected a director of the North Carolina Railroad Company, vice H. W. Fries, deceased.

MENTAL ANGUISH SUIT.
The Western Union to be Sued for "Bullying" a Message.

The peculiar misconception and misreading of a message sent from the telegraph office at Salisbury by an operator of the Western Union on the line between there and High Point some time ago, gave rise to a heart-rending scene at High Point, and a suit for damages will grow out of it. Messrs. Wescott Roberson, of High Point, and J. A. Barringer, of Greensboro, have the case in hand, and announce that suit will be brought against the Western Union, based on mental harassment growing out of negligence of the company. The amount of damages they will claim has not been given out. But the facts, as complaint will state, are substantially as follows:

On November 20th, Mr. S. Arthur Thompson, superintendent of the Central Manufacturing Co's chair plant at Lexington, was taken by his father-in-law, Mr. Lovelace, to the Whitehead-Stokes Sanitarium in Salisbury to be operated on for appendicitis. The operation was performed on Nov. 21 and proved successful. The next day when the patient was out of danger, Mr. Lovelace filed in the telegraph office at Salisbury, to his son at High Point, where Mrs. Thompson was with her mother, this message:

"Operation performed. Patient doing well. Return home to-night." The message delivered to Mr. Lovelace, Jr. and by him communicated to the family, read: "Operation performed. Patient dying; will return home to-night." The word "doing" had been changed to "dying," "well" to "ill" and "home" to "him."

Upon receipt of this intelligence Mrs. Thompson and her mother fainted, and the services of two physicians were necessary to restore them. Mrs. Thompson was uncontrollable however, until it was promised that she could go to Salisbury, on the next train then nearly due. Quite a procession accompanied her and her mother to the train, both being beside themselves with grief and shock. Proceeding to Salisbury, Mrs. Thompson found her father comfortably asleep, as his train for High Point was not due, and her husband resting quietly at the sanitarium, all danger from the operation being over.

The attorneys for the plaintiffs are investigating the case which at present seems to them to be a very strong one.

The Meetings Closed.
The revival meeting which has been in progress at the Baptist church for the past two weeks, closed Sunday night. The sermons were preached by Rev. Sam. J. Porter, of Fayetteville, and all who had the pleasure of hearing him pronounce Mr. Porter as one of the most able, practical and eloquent ministers that ever visited Lexington. On account of inclemency of the weather for almost during the entire two weeks the services were not as largely attended as could have been desired. Mr. Porter left Monday morning for Durham to be present at the opening of the Baptist State convention, which convenes in that city to-day. He was accompanied by Rev. W. A. Smith, pastor of the church at this place.

12-Year-Old Girl Marries.
Squire W. A. Helman, of Bagdad, sends us the following news item:

"On Thanksgiving day I married Joseph Kye and Mary Gordon. They said their home was in Kentucky. The bride was only 12 years of age, according to her mother's statement, who said her daughter was born in 1890. However, the mother had asserted the girl was fifteen years of age when application for the license was made. The bride was a mere girl and did not look to be over 12. But they had the necessary license and I married them, and they went on their way rejoicing."

THE WHOLE ROUND WORLD.
A Week's Events Carefully Collected and Condensed for Busy Readers.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3.

New Orleans—A movement of the entire Indian population of Louisiana and Mississippi to the Indian Territory has begun.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Three lives were lost and thirty cars burned up in consequence of a collision at Sunbright.

Dallas, Tex.—A blizzard of keen intensity is prevailing, over much the greater part of the State.

San Francisco.—An oil tank blew up in a steamship, causing the loss of many lives and starting a fire that destroyed property worth \$200,000.

Durham, N. C.—Monroe Rogers, the negro house burner, who was brought home from Massachusetts on a requisition, was convicted and sentenced to ten years in the State prison.

THURSDAY, DEC. 4.

Chicago—Fourteen lives were lost by a fire in the Lincoln Hotel. All means of escape were cut off by the flames. Department officials pronounced the building a fire-trap.

Lexington, Ky.—Earl Whitney, a white boy seventeen years old, was convicted of murder and burglary and was sentenced to be hanged.

Havana—Negotiations for a reciprocity treaty with the United States have been interrupted by an obstructive measure passed by the Cuban House of Representatives.

New Orleans—Labor unions announce their intention to enter actively into politics in future elections.

Yokohama, Japan.—United States Minister Back died suddenly.

FRIDAY, DEC. 5.

Norfolk, Va.—The four masted schooner Wesley M. Oler was wrecked at Cape Hatteras, and her entire crew were drowned.

New York—Snow and sleet, accompanied by a terrific gale, prevailed all over this State. The storm passed up the Atlantic coast, gathering intensity.

Cleveland, O.—While firemen were fighting fire a wall fell, killing one and injuring several others.

Beaufort, N. C.—The bark Oliver Thurlow went to pieces on Cape Lookout. Her crew was saved.

Charlotte, N. C.—The four year old daughter of L. A. Care was burned to death. Her clothes caught fire from a stove.

SATURDAY, DEC. 6.

Washington—Negotiations with Columbia concerning the Panama canal treaty have progressed to the point where the question of price is all that remains to be settled.

Madrid—Senor Silvela has accepted a commission to form a cabinet. The king consented to dissolve the cortex.

Truro, N. S.—Four persons were killed in a wreck on the Intercolonial Railway.

Shelby, N. C.—The Williams knitting mill was burned down, with a loss of twelve thousand dollars.

Washington—Thomas B. Reed, formerly Speaker of the House of Representatives, died at midnight.

SUNDAY, DEC. 7.

Manila—Governor Taft has established zones of concentration preparatory to an aggressive campaign against ladrones.

Bucharest—The Danube river is frozen over for a considerable distance and there is much suffering among the poor.

Caracas—A joint ultimatum from Great Britain and Germany was presented to Venezuela.

MONDAY, DEC. 8.

Fayetteville, N. C.—Two negro children, left alone in a house, were fatally burned.

Chicago—The temperature here has reached the zero point.

Washington—Oliver Wendell Holmes, of Massachusetts, took the oath of associate justice of the supreme court of the United States.

Norfolk, Va.—A big schooner is going to pieces on Cape Hatteras. A large steamer is stranded on the cape.

Washington—The House adopted resolutions on the death of ex-speaker Reed and adjourned in respect to his memory. Senator Foraker, of Ohio, introduced a bill appropriating \$100,000 for marking the graves of confederate soldiers who died in northern hospitals and prisons. Senator Nelson introduced a resolution to amend the constitution, giving congress power to define, regulate, prohibit or dissolve trusts or monopolies.

TUESDAY, DEC. 9.

Raleigh—The State pension warrants are all prepared and ready to be sent out December 15th.

Charlotte—Tom Wilson, white, was shot and killed by Arthur L. Bishop, a traveling salesman. The shooting occurred at Wilson's home in the presence of his wife and daughter. Bishop had carried a bottle of wine in the parlor and was drinking it, as was Wilson's daughter and another young lady. Wilson appeared, ordered Bishop from the house, and while pushing him out Bishop drew a pistol and fired, hitting Wilson and causing his death in an hour's time. Bishop escaped. All the parties are respectable people.

Atlanta—Fire destroyed nearly a block of buildings in the heart of the city to-day. The loss is placed at \$500,000.

Tank Bursted.
The bursting of the large water tank at the Elk Furniture Factory on Thursday of last week caused considerable commotion in that part of town. The tank was sixteen feet deep, eighteen feet in diameter and held thirty-six thousand gallons of water. The bursting made an explosion equal to the blowing up of a steam boiler. An insufficiency of hoops is said to be the cause of the breakage. Outside of the tank being ruined the damage was slight.

A Nice List.
The names of over forty new subscribers have been placed upon our subscription books during the past week. Besides these, quite a number of our patrons have favored us with renewals. To all of these we return thanks and invite others to come in and do as these that follow:

J. D. Craver, Mrs. M. A. Shoaf, S. J. Davis, H. C. Rush, Lee Andrews, Daniel Presnell, J. G. Hinson, W. T. Trotter, W. P. Bruting, W. J. Davis, James Woodie, Arthur Loffin, D. W. Summey, J. L. Linebury, A. A. Scott, A. G. Harrison, J. L. Skeen, G. R. Sumner, W. T. Forshaw, W. L. Adams, W. S. Skeen, J. S. Cox, Benjamin Cox, S. W. Cox, Isaac Brown, O. J. Sink, Byron A. Redding, Lina Hargrave, J. L. Zimmerman, R. O. Fry, S. W. Kearns, E. C. Floyd, W. J. Miller, E. A. Caudle, H. D. Caudle, G. W. Smith, G. D. Sink, J. M. Crouse, R. A. Shoaf, T. L. Fitzgerald, R. F. Wilson, Miss Jennie A. Simmons, John M. Stoner, H. H. Micheal, F. M. M. Motesinger.

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