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SATURDAY IS FARMERS' DAY.

The Corn Growers of Davidson County Invited to Bring Fancy Ears for Prizes.

Saturday will be farmers' day in Lexington. On that date Mr. F. H. LeBaum, agent of the agricultural and industrial department of the Norfolk & Western railway, and Mr. E. A. Schubert, traveling agent of the N. & W., will be here for the purpose of speaking to the farmers about corn culture, offering prizes on that day for the best ears of corn grown by the Davidson farmers this year. The railway is associated with the Atlantic Coast Line in the building of the Southbound, and as this road will bring the Norfolk & Western in touch with the county, the railway wishes to aid in the advancement of the agricultural interests of Davidson. One result of the meeting next Saturday will be a fine advertisement of the county's resources, provided the good farmers will but come out and take part, each bringing the ten best ears of corn he has on his farm. For the first best ten ears, \$2.50 will be given as a premium; for the second best ten, \$1.50 will be given, and for the third best, \$1. Davidson county is a great corn county and there are many sets of ten ears which will open the eyes of the visiting gentlemen who are interested in us. This brings up again the proposed corn contest for 1910. Since publication was made in The Dispatch of the proposed contest, many people have expressed a wish that such might be carried out. The farmers, bankers and manufacturers will doubtless give gladly of money or something else, to make up a list of prizes for the best yields of corn per acre. This matter will come up Saturday, and hence there is another reason why the farmers should come out and take an interested part. The Dispatch urges them to attend.

Five Jailed for Murder.

A dispatch from Jefferson, Ashe county, Christmas eve, says: Sheriff B. G. Faw has just delivered over to the authorities five men who are now in jail awaiting trial for the murder of John Testerman last Sunday night in a general drunken fight on Hinesy Creek, this county. It was thought that Testerman died from poisonous liquor, at first; then came the report that he had been beaten to death, but upon examination it was found that in the fight which was participated in that night, Testerman had been stabbed to the heart and died soon afterwards. The deceased was unopposed, either from pain or from intoxication and therefore did not make any explanation after being found by Deputy Sheriff Faw and F. H. Baldwin about 7 o'clock Monday morning. The five men who were in the crowd when the killing was done, and who are now in jail, are Cal C. Parsons, Enoch Parsons, J. Wesley Parsons and Robert Parsons, all brothers, and Craville Brooks, who was acquitted some years ago when tried for the murder of one Press Kell. All parties deny the murder of Testerman at their hands.

Echo of Radd Wreck.

A message Friday from Asheville says: One of the most interesting opinions to this section of the state handed down today by the supreme court is that of Curtis vs. Southern railway, in which the decision of the lower court is affirmed. This was the case in which the widow, Mrs. B. Allen Bryant, sues the railway company through her father, as executor, for damages for the death of her husband, who was killed in the railway accident near Radd two years ago. Bryant was a traveling salesman at the time of the accident and had been married but a month when he was killed. In superior court the plaintiff won a judgment for \$17,000 and the supreme court now affirms that decision. This affirmed judgment for \$17,000, it is said, is the largest secured in this section of the state for personal injury or death against a railroad. Locke Craig and Zeb F. Curtis of this place represented the plaintiff in the lower court and in the supreme court.

Social Gathering of Luthernans.

All the members of the Lutheran church, including all members of their families, are urged to attend the social meeting of the congregation in the Sunday school room of the church next Friday evening, the 23rd, at 7 o'clock. To this meeting all Lutherans in Lexington and vicinity, even if not members of our church, are most cordially invited. Refreshments will be served. Come and spend the last evening of the year in this pleasant, social way.

V. Y. BOOZER, Pastor.

Lexington, N. C., Dec. 23, 1909.

Fire Poisoned in Yadkin.

One day last week five members of the family of Mr. James Peoples, living several miles from Yadkinville, were poisoned by "Jimson" weed seed. A child put some of the seed in the coffee and all who drank the coffee were poisoned, but will recover.

Among the holiday incidents was a case of poisoning by whiskey at Starke, Fla. John Bennett received a package of whiskey with a note saying "From a friend wishing a happy Christmas." When he opened the whiskey he passed it around. In a moment or two Samuel Hogan was dead and two others laid out. The "friend" had either put poison in the stuff or else it was the common, ordinary brand of goods.

Mrs. Cora Irene Farmer, of Atlanta, who was placed in a sanitarium in Greensboro a year ago for treatment for the drug habit, and who secured her corpus papers and got a hearing, was ordered released Friday. She maintained that she was sane and was being held there against her will. Her husband and guardian fought her efforts to get release.

Estire Nouns Club Entertains.

Last night the Estire Nouns club gave a progressive luncheon complimentary to visiting young ladies and the young men of the town. More than forty guests were entertained at the homes of the various members, beginning at the home of Miss Lena Schultz, on First avenue, where grape fruit was served, and then the following members entertained: Misses Alma and Searles Owen,ysters; Miss Nona Thompson, deviled crabs; Mrs. W. L. Criglier, chicken salad; Miss Zula Hedrick, turkey; Miss Pearl Hege, punch; Miss Edith Greer, cream salmon; Misses Crawford and Madge Smith, Waldorf salad; Miss Allie Hutchinson, sandwiches; Miss Frank Robbins, plum pudding; Misses Louise Hill and Ellis Watson, cream and cake; Miss Margaret Radcliffe, coffee. The club entertained from 6 to 12. This event was the crowning feature of the merry holiday season and was one of the most enjoyable social occasions Lexington young people have known.

The Small Boy of Firecrackers. The small boys of a certain school held a public debate the other day and wrestled with the pros and cons right manfully. The subject was whether the town boy had it over the country boy, or whether the country lad had kept the town boys in the pleasures and profits of this mundane existence. A small farmer included in his scattering remarks on the beauties of country life the statement that "Huh! a town feller has to go clean out in the country to shoot a firecracker to keep the police from getting him, and I kin just step out in my front yard and pop 'em all day Christmas without being skeered of nobody." He sat down, and his town opponent jumped up and piped in a shrill voice, "I'd like to know who'd want to be shot by a cracker, way or no, nobody can hear you, 'cause then you couldn't worry nobody!" The house came down.

Lexington Colored Man Re-Elected.

At the 40th annual communication of the grand lodge of colored Masons of this state held in Wilmington last week, R. B. McCarty, of Lexington, was unanimously re-elected grand master. The reports showed that the past year had been the most prosperous in the grand lodge's history. The fraternity has an endowment department which has distributed among the widows and orphans of deceased Masons during the year the sum of \$25,800. In addition to this the grand lodge donates 10 per cent of its general fund to the Oxford orphan asylum, and this year the total sum given to that charity reaches nearly a thousand dollars. The grand lodge of Masons during the year the most representative body of colored men that meet in North Carolina. Forty-four new lodges were organized during 1909, making a total of 327.

Davidson Farmers in Fine Shape.

Mr. J. Thomas Leonard, agent for the Davidson County Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was in The Dispatch office yesterday afternoon and was very complimentary in his remarks that since he began insurance work 11 years ago, traveling over Davidson county, he had never seen the farmers in better shape than now. He said that he used to hear farmers say they could not pay for the insurance on their property; now he says he never hears such words. All the farmers have money, much better stock than formerly, better homes, better everything and money in the bank. The farmers, he said, are getting high prices for everything they sell which is true. "And I am glad of it all," said Mr. Leonard. The Dispatch is too.

Cecil-DuBose.

The Dispatch has received cards announcing that on Wednesday, December 23, Mr. Robert Talmage Cecil, formerly of Thomasville, was married to Miss Augusta Edna DuBose, of Atlanta, sister of Mr. Jesse Beverly DuBose, of that city, the ceremony taking place in Darlington, S. C. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil will be at home the 4th at Greensboro, S. C.

Mrs. Cecil is well known in Thomasville and Lexington, near Newton, where he was a student in Catawba College, from which institution he graduated some years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Musgrave Surprised.

Monday night Mr. and Mrs. George Musgrave of Cotton Grove, were very much surprised indeed when they suddenly found themselves hosts to 27 young people. A knock was heard, and the "come in" said, and in the seven and twenty came with light hearts and laughing eyes and they received a cordial welcome from the astonished old gentleman and his excellent wife. They were the recipients of some nice presents from the party and will remember the young friends graciously.

Death of Mark Twain's Daughter.

Redding, Conn., dispatch January 24, the conductors on the Southern railway will, through their committee, ask of the railway an increase in wages. They claim that they do not nearly receive what they should, especially in view of the high cost of living. Perhaps the increase to be asked will amount to 25 per cent of their present wages. It is said that the engineers will also ask an increase, but a much smaller one, their wages being low, the conductors say, very much more in proportion than what the man in the cab and the man in coach receive.

The Wrecked Cars of No. 11

were carried to Greensboro preparatory for shipment to the Spencer shop. Although hurried upon each other with terrific force and thrown far they are still in such condition that they can be handled on their own trucks, which speaks well for the construction. It is said that the train was running 40 miles an hour.

Death of Master Frank Fox.

A message from Asheboro Wednesday stated: Frank Fox aged 15 years, died at his home in Asheboro this afternoon. He had been a sufferer from epilepsy for several years. He leaves surviving him his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Fox; Mrs. Laura Crawford, Mrs. Millard Allied and Annie Fox of Asheboro, and Mr. L. J. Fox of Rockingham. He was a boy of many friends and much sympathy is felt in Asheboro for the bereaved family.

CHRISTMAS IN LEXINGTON.

Bitterly Cold Weather, With Snow and Rain Prevailed, but a General Good Time Enjoyed.

Lexington's Christmas was, as always, a happy time, and there was little to mar the day, and no accidents or disorder at all. The day was marked by about every variety of weather known to this climate. Friday night snow began to fall and although by morning this had turned into a cold rain, the snow clung to the ground in many places. In the afternoon a flood of sunshine came, and by night a high wind arose that exceeded the speed limit, and it became fearfully cold.

The small boy and the big boy, too, indulged desire to satisfy in the way of fireworks. A perfect din of crackers was kept up. So fierce was the noise that many a lover of the festive popper is satisfied that he will never want to hear another as long as he lives. Charlotte forbids any sort of fireworks and the result was that most folks extracted a large amount of enjoyment out of the silence. This was the first time the city ever passed over Christmas without fireworks. The Christmas exercises held here and there in the town were thoroughly enjoyable. The services at the First Reformed church Friday night were of an interesting character and greatly pleased the large crowd of people present. The Christmas offering for Nazareth Orphan's Home amounted to \$218. The offering at the Second church was \$255. Rev. V. Y. Booser, pastor of the Lutheran church made a most interesting address here, and the school rendered a program of special songs and readings.

At 8:15 Friday evening the Lutheran Sunday school children did themselves and their school much credit by rendering very admirably an interesting program. The service was enjoyed by a very good crowd. Gifts were distributed among the children and there were some special presents to several persons. The school raised \$11.97 for the orphan's home at Salem, Va., which amount, considering the size of the Sunday school, was regarded as very liberal.

Friday night the Methodist Sunday school rendered a charming program, the chief feature of which was giving rather than receiving. Only the little ones were presented with gifts, and many of them gave something for the orphanage at Winston. The older members of the school preferred to give rather than receive. There was a large box of useful offerings made and a barrel of apples and oranges contributed, besides a cash offering of \$27.

The entertainment furnished by the exercises of the children of the Presbyterian Sunday school, carrying a very great deal by those attending. Santa Claus in the person of Judge T. L. Moore did well his part. There was a tree and gifts were on it, not only for the children, but for the grown-ups as well. The children have a new school bag and a fine box of good things was made up for the orphans at the Barton Springs orphanage and a purse also. Mr. Z. I. Walser made a short talk appropriate to the occasion.

The unique idea of each member of the Baptist Sunday school carrying an Irish potato to the exercises at that church resulted in the accumulation of a barrel of the tubers, which was sent to the Baptist orphanage at Thomasville. The services by the little ones were ornamented by a very funny Santa Claus, carried by Mr. Otis Tucker and a Santa Claus house from which he drew wonderful Christmas things and distributed them. Supt. G. W. Miller and Col. G. F. Hankins gave talks.

The Episcopalian Sunday school Sunday morning distributed presents among the children and there were recitations and music, the whole making a very pretty service.

Death of Senator McLaurin.

A dispatch from Brandon, Miss., on Wednesday says: United States Senator A. J. McLaurin died suddenly at 6 o'clock this evening at his home. He had been down town, walking home in time for the evening meal. He sat down in his chair, his head fell over on his breast and his family thought him asleep. When they went to awake him for supper, they found him dead.

Senator McLaurin had an attack on the day he intended to go to Washington for the opening of congress, and remained at home. He was sixty-one years old, was the father of ten children, several of whom are living. He was elected to the senate in 1901, and his term would have expired in 1912.

Re-Governor Vandeman is possibly his successor should the legislature, which meets in three weeks, elect Vandeman and may name his successor before the legislature meets.

Conductors to Ask More Money.

At a meeting in Washington January 4, the conductors on the Southern railway will, through their committee, ask of the railway an increase in wages. They claim that they do not nearly receive what they should, especially in view of the high cost of living. Perhaps the increase to be asked will amount to 25 per cent of their present wages. It is said that the engineers will also ask an increase, but a much smaller one, their wages being low, the conductors say, very much more in proportion than what the man in the cab and the man in coach receive.

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PROF. JARRATT'S REPORT.

Shows What the Graded School Has Done the First Part of the Year.

Prof. A. H. Jarratt yesterday morning completed his report of the graded school's work for the first part of the school year, and it is given below. It is a very interesting and vigorous paper, setting forth sound truths. Every parent in town ought to read it carefully and join in with this live wire in educational work, for live wire expresses what the superior student is. He is going to give this town a shabby good school if the folks will support him. Here is the report:

School census 917 Enrollment first day of school 529 Total enrollment (Teachers report) 607 Present enrollment 564 Average enrollment 558 Dropped from roll, all causes 42 Stopped because of illness 2 Moved out of town 1 Married 1 Stopped because of trouble 2 Stopped, cause unknown 9 Stopped from first grade, under age, bad weather, etc 20 Average attendance 505 Per cent of total enrollment in attendance 83 Per cent of average enrollment in regular attendance 89 Per cent of present enrollment in regular attendance 89 Number of tardies, for term 410 Number of visits made by teachers above first grade 289 Per cent of parents visited by teachers 95 Number of visits made by parents 7 Per cent of parents who have visited the school 1

In the above report I have followed the exact figures as stated on my teachers' report to me and have tried to give to the public an idea of just what the school is doing in the way of giving the little folks an education. You will notice that out of a census roll of 917 only 607 have been enrolled in the school this year, leaving 310 school subjects who are not in school here. Of this number there are about 150 who are either in other schools or have graduated and gone to work or have married or are necessarily detained at home to help make a living; leaving 160 children in town who are not in school but for whom there is no excuse for not being there. A child has been tardy and you can see but for lack of room in the building to accommodate them if they came (every room is full). This is a pretty fair showing for the town as compared with other places but it should be improved.

The average attendance is pretty good and that has been looked by the fact that several entire families have been kept out for several weeks at a time because of contagious diseases among them. But there are two things in this report that I am ashamed to see you fathers and mothers and parents take no interest in. You are 419 tardies against the school for the fall term. Now this is a shame. Each month we send you a report of your child's work and on that report is stated the number of times that your child has been tardy and you can see for yourself just how regular your child is being. Can't you see that your children are more prompt in future? I do not want to enforce the regulation of suspension for three tardies but I shall have to do that unless you stop to help me to put a stop to this tardiness.

The only other thing that I have to complain of is this: I have my teachers to visit the homes of the children and 95 per cent of the homes have been visited this fall and all of them have visited before the school closes. In all the teachers have made 289 calls. There have been not more than seven parents to the school, and I have seen only one of those while there, making about one per cent of the parents who have come to see us. Now don't you think you can see one-sided business? You are falling in your social duty. You are not returning your calls and all you ladies know what an offence that is considered. You do not have to wait till "Parent's Day" to call on us, we are glad to see you any time and would really rather you would come when we are not looking for you so that we will have no time to put on our "Sunday clothes." Every day is "Parent's Day" with us if we could have our way. What one of you would turn your face on a house work over to a stranger and never go near it to see how it was being done? And yet you turn your children over to comparative strangers and let them remain strangers so far as any effort on your part goes. Please visit the school. I want to thank every mother, father and child in school for the pleasant half year work they have combined to give. And I want to thank every kind friend in town and county who gave us help toward getting our piano.

The churches, the schools and the newspapers are the three most important elements in the success of any community. No one should kick any of these and everyone should do all in his power to advance each of them, and to make them strong and powerful. Let us all pull together with this end in view.

A. H. JARRATT, Superintendent.

Aldermen Discuss Trolley Line.

Last night in special session the aldermen discussed granting a franchise to Messrs. S. E. Williams and J. E. Foy to build an electric street railway, but after deliberation, deferred action until the next regular meeting of the board in order that so important a matter might have full consideration and because Messrs. Conrad, Grimes and Brinkley were absent. The next regular meeting will be on the 31st Monday night.

A Motion to Increase the Salary of Supt. A. L. Couch to \$100 a Month

failed.

Services at New Pilgrim.

Rev. V. Y. Booser will preach at New Pilgrim Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The hour has been changed from 12 in the morning.

SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT.

Extra Term of Two Weeks for Trial of Civil Cases Will Begin Monday the 10th.

The special term of Davidson county superior court, ordered by the governor, for two weeks sitting, and in attendance until the same are tried or continued. There are about 130 cases on the docket.

MONDAY JANUARY 10.

10—Sink vs. Sink. 13—Armfield vs. Teague. 24—Planning Mill vs. Parrish. 20—White vs. Thomasville L. & P. Co.

TUESDAY JANUARY 11.

24—Hedrick et al. vs. Berrier et al. 25—Walser vs. Crews. 27—Law vs. Southern Railway Co. 28—J. I. Case Co. vs. Whiteheart et al.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 12.

39—Cross vs. Town of Lexington. 32—Lane vs. N. C. Railroad Co. 23—Cecil vs. Cecil. 34—Greene vs. Southern Ry. Co. 36—H. P. Grocery Co. vs. Thompson & Co.

THURSDAY JANUARY 13.

44—Carroll Buggy Co. vs. Waggoner et al. 46—Harrison vs. Davis. 48—Greenboro Boller & Machine Co. vs. McKee Mining Co. 49—Lottin vs. Harrison. 50—Victor Oil Co. vs. Hunt. 52—Crotts vs. Crotts. 53—Guss vs. Weaver.

FRIDAY JANUARY 14.

54—Orr Shoe Co. vs. Saleeby. 55—Ludlow vs. Town of Lexington. 57—J. L. Fine vs. Thomasville Furniture Co. 58—Headen vs. Southern Ry. Co. 59—Workman vs. Jones. 61—Beck vs. Young et al.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17.

62—Town of Lexington vs. Etna Indemnity Co. 63—Bowers vs. N. C. Railroad Co. 64—Bowers vs. N. C. Railroad Co. 65—Leonard vs. Southern Power Co.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18.

70—Leonard vs. Hamner. 71—Leonard vs. Hamner. 72—Leonard vs. Petty. 73—Leonard vs. Hamner. 75—Lambeth vs. Southern Power Co. 77—Koonce vs. Cross. 78—Moffitt vs. Woody. 80—Southern Power Co. vs. Eanes et al.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19.

81—Southern Power Co. vs. Pool. 82—Southern Power Co. vs. Elliott. 83—Southern Power Co. vs. Elliott. 84—Southern Power Co. vs. Curry. 85—Southern Power Co. vs. Kepley. 87—Southern Power Co. vs. C. S. Greene.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20.

88—Southern Power Co. vs. R. S. Greene. 89—Southern Power Co. vs. Hoover. 91—Hargrave vs. N. C. Railroad Co. 92—Stout vs. Southern Power Co. 93—Orr Shoe Co. vs. E. Saleeby et al. 94—Earnhardt vs. Town of Lexington. 96—Sink vs. Hanes. 98—Everhart vs. Southern Ry. Co. 100—Hedrick vs. Hedrick. 105—Heitman vs. Heitman. 106—Godfrey vs. Planning mill. 107—Wilson vs. Cox. 108—Lexington Mill Co. vs. Casualty Co.

President Describes "Whiskey."

A Washington dispatch in Monday's papers says: The definition of the word "whiskey" by the highest American legal authority was given today when President Taft rendered his final decision on the subject in connection with the construction of the pure food law with reference to labeling. The president held that whiskey made of neutral spirits is whiskey when reduced to portable strength.

The president covered other details in his decision and gave directions for the proper branding of various varieties of liquor, holding among other things that "Canadian Club" whiskey and whiskey made from a mixture of "straight" whiskey and "neutral spirits" may be called a blend. According to the instructions under this decision "straight whiskeys" will hereafter be branded as such, but the brand may be accompanied by the legend "aged in wood" and whiskey made from rectified, distilled or neutral spirits will be branded so as to make known the principal ingredients. In addition if they so desire manufacturers of straight whiskey may also use the word "houborn" or "rye" as the fact may warrant.

Dr. Cook Down and Out.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, who started the world with a brief telegram that he had found the north pole, has been turned down by the various scientific bodies. Perry, on the other hand, is upheld as the true and the only discoverer of the pole. Dr. Cook has disappeared. It is stated variously that he is here, in various places in Europe, etc. At first and up till a few days ago, almost everybody was supporting him, but there are few today who do him honor. It is charged that he is one of the most gigantic frauds of the age. He made one hundred thousand dollars, it is said, lecturing and writing during the time the controversy raged furiously. His absence, however, is taken by some to mean that he will yet make good, and that his enemies have tried to destroy him. His brother even declared he feared he had been murdered.

Personal Mention.

Col. G. F. Hankins left Monday for Mitchell county on business.

Mr. R. L. McCarty spent Monday in Charlotte on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Moyer Sink will return to day from a visit to friends in Salisbury.

Mr. C. M. Thompson has been confined to his room for several days, but is now out.

Mr. E. B. Craven and family left yesterday for New Bern to visit Mr. H. B. Craven.

Miss Annie Shepherd has been visiting Misses Besse and Agnes Pugh at Salisbury.

Mr. E. A. Timberlake and son left Saturday for Helena to spend a week with relatives.

Miss Ola Horney was with her parents at High Point during the Christmas festivities.

Mr. W. J. Clodfelter, of Boston, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Clodfelter.

Mr. Paul Edgerton, of Greensboro, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. L. Couch, on Center street.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Hoge, of High Point, are with Mr. Hoge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hoge.

Dr. Harold H. Hartley, of Terrace, Pa., is visiting his father, H. H. Hartley, Esq., in Tyro township.

Mr. Hubert Beeson, of High Point, has been spending several days with his mother, Mrs. T. E. McCarty.

Mr. W. A. Anthony and family left Monday morning to visit Mr. R. F. Fleming's family, at China Grove.

Mr. Phorse Spanolia left yesterday morning for New York in the interim of his Home Tailoring Company.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gobble and Mr. G. W. Gobble, of Greensboro, spent Christmas with relatives in Lexington.

Mr. E. M. Burkhead, salesman in the store of Mr. Brantley H. Finch, is spending the week at his home in Versailles.

Mr. J. D. Davis, carrier on No. 3, after being confined to his home with sickness for several weeks, is able to be out again.

Mr. J. Frank Curry, son of Mr. W. F. Curry, is at home from Lenoir College at Hickory, where he is in his second year.

Mr. O. E. Cook, plumber, formerly with the Home Plumbing Co., here, now of Chattanooga, was a visitor in Lexington Monday.

Among the holiday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Clinard, of Winston-Salem, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brantley H. Finch.

Prof. Jarratt returned Monday from Concord, where he and Mrs. Jarratt spent Christmas. Mrs. Jarratt will return in a few days.

Mr. Fred Dunwick spent Christmas with his father, Mr. W. H. Dunwick, the photographer, and returned to Danville Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. F. Smith and children of High Point, left yesterday after a Christmas visit to Mr. Smith's father, Mr. L. A. Smith.

Rev. and Mrs. A. K. Wright, who have been spending the holidays in Louisville, Mr. Wright's home, are expected here Saturday.

Mr. J. W. Earnhardt has been confined to his home as a result of an injury received while aiding in lifting a bale of cotton at his gin.

Miss Jessie Wheeler, of Asheville, spent Sunday night in town as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Vestal, leaving Monday for Richmond.

Mr. Richard Bragaw returned to Asheville yesterday. His brother, former State Senator S. C. Bragaw spent Sunday and Monday here.

Misses Lena Schulz and Nona Sink, and her guest, Miss Evelyn Walker, of Winston, and Miss Edith Greer, visited friends in Salisbury Monday.

Mr. W. R. Perrell has accepted a position with the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company, Cincinnati, and left Sunday morning to begin work.

Misses Mattie Pearl Beasley and Mary Blount, of Boncker, Collier, Danville, are holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Deaderick.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Mendenhall returned Friday morning from Washington and Richmond and are at home at the residence of Mrs. Lettie Hunt on Main street.

Mr. John Trice, son of Captain and Mrs. C. W. Trice, who has been engaged as salesman for the United States Cigar Company at New York, will arrive next week.

Mrs. C. W. Trice will leave to-day for Columbia, S. C., to visit her niece, Mrs. W. H. Hiller. Mrs. R. L. McCarty will also go to Columbia tomorrow to visit her sister.

Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Barr, of Chattanooga, Va., are guests of their son, Agent L. F. Barr, on Center street. Miss Nan Carter, sister of Mrs. Barr, is also a guest at the home.

Mr. W. A. Reed, of Jackson Hill, arrived here Sunday, accompanied by his son, Mr. Grover Reed, who left Monday morning for Fayetteville, where he is manager of the Postal telegraph system.

Rev. T. R. Taggart, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will arrive today from Pennsylvania, and will preach next Sunday and the following Sunday, when he will leave for his native state, having resigned.

Mr. A. L. Lookbill and daughters, Mrs. Lola Hartman and Miss Ella Lookbill, and also Mr. Charles Lookbill, arrived from Huntington, Va., Thursday night and will visit relatives for several days.

Mrs. Oscar Spurgeon, of Everts, Tenn., who had been visiting her father, Mr. W. D. Trexler, left last week for home accompanied by her sister, Miss Pearl Trexler, who will be with her and attend school there.