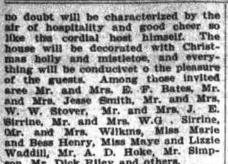
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son, Mr. Dick Riley and others. Monday afternoon Miss Hattie Hayne entertained the eighth grade ofe ethe Central school, of which, she is the efficient teacher. The afternoon was spent playaing crokinole and carrums and delicious refreshments were served.

Tuesday morning Mrs. George Ebaugh entertained at cards very delightfully at her home on McBee avenue. The following ladies werep pres-ent: Mesdames Jesse Smith; Joohn Russell, J. E. Sirrine, Willam Wilkhrs, J. C. Fitzgerald, E. F. Bates, Nelson Poe, W. J. Thackston, W. G. Sirrine, D. W. Baugh, H. J. Haynsworth, Miss Kate Rutledge and Miss Sophie Blythe,

Friday evening Misses Susle and Ellen Graeheam were the charming young hostesses to a number of their friendsa t their beautifulh ome. on Broadus avenue. The house was lovelya ndb reightw ith Christmasd ecorations andt heb reight, happy faces and merryv olcesof they oungp cople presentg avee vidence oft hep lasuret hey xprinced on this occasion. An elegant supperwas served during the evening.

. . . The Misses Graham are at home for the holidays from the Woman's College in Baltimore, and are being cordially welcomed by their many friends. . . .

Mrs. J. Walter Gray entertained a few friends informally at cards on Wednesday evening inh onorof her guest, Miss Clark, of Pennsylvania.

Monday at 30 'clock Dr. John H. Maxwell gave a dinner party on the occasion of his 73rd birthday. His niece, Mrs. Joey Weyman Houston, and his nephew, Mr. Sam Weyman, of Atlanta, were present for the occa-

Tuesday evening Mrs. S. M. Gower entertained a few friends informally at an "egg-nog" at her home on Washinton street. Mrs. Gower was assisted in receiving by her guest, Miss Louise Martin, and her son, Mr.T. C. Gower. Cards and a tempting supper made the evening a merry one.

DURHAM SOCIAL NOTES.

Correspondence of The Observer. • Durham, Dec. 23.—And you said, "It is just exactly what I wanted," didn't you? Did you ever see that little picture called The Social Lie? It seems that the snake was expressing her hppreciation of the manicure set the frog had given her for a Christmas gift. Said she, "It is just exactly what I wanted." Obviously a "palpable lie," but a necessary one. Calling any deviation from the truth necessary is bad moral teaching, isn't it? But suppose for a minute that every one spoke exactly as he felt, and as much, about everything, to everybody, just wouldn't this world be one howling just wilderness? I rather think it would. These little polite social aberrations from the path of recitude mean nothing to those that speak them, and less to those that hear, but they certainly present what would otherwise be inevitable jars, acting as rubber tires, making rough places smooth. Nobody believes them, so what does it "'What is truth?" asked matter? jesting Pilate, and waited not for answer." And I will not either. Mrs. J. S. Carr, Jr., entertained at euchre Thursday afternoon in a most charming manner. The elegant home was decorated with carnations, growing hyacinths, and holly. Each little table was guarded by a jolly old Santa Claus carrying in his arms a flag upon which the number of the table WAS printed. After eight games had been played, most delicious refreshments in three courses were served. The prize, a dainty little violet vase of glass and filigree silver, was won by Miss Marjie Jordan. The consolation, a dear little pair of embroidery scisors, was won by Mrs. Paul C. Graham. Santa Claus forgot, or else he confused, the day of the month, last week, for when the dning room doors were opened, the Up-toDate Club, which had assembled at the home of Mrs. T. D. Jones, found him seated in his snow-covered sleigh, driving his famous team, Cupid and Cornet, Dancer and Prancer, Douner and Blitzer, right in the middle of the table! What do you think of that? It is not known how the metamorphosis came about, but a large rectangle in the center of the table had become a sheet of ice. surrounded by banks of snow, and it was here that the old saint stopped his world-renowned reindeer. He was not at all abashed, but looked about him at the Christmas decorations, the brilliant chandelier from which hung scintilating festoons of blown glass, shimmering and glittering in their chrystalling beauty and the soft lights shining through the white shades of the candelabra. Of course he was accus-tomed to all this, but the ladies were not. They clapped their hands in pleasure and appreciation. Santy nodded and in came Misses Annie Louise Vaughan and Anna Branson, who served a delicious luncheon in five courses. After the luncheon, as the guests were leaving the room, unfortunately one of them happened to say that it was only a few days until the twentyfifth, and then a queer thing happened. Santy turned white, and whiter, and became almost frenzied when he understood the mistake that he had made in the date of his visit. He scrambled around in his embarrassment, dropping all sorts of pretty lit-tie gifts which the club members seized immediately, and then drove awav. When the little children in Durham heard that he had come and gone without even saying "howdy" to them. they wept with rage and disappointment, but I suppose he came back last night, if he recovered sufficiently from his paut-pas.

met at the altar by the groom with his best man, Mr. Frank Gowdy. The bride looked lovely in a beautiful dress of white grape de chine and veil en train. She is the oldest laughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bristol, and bas many friends here. After the wedding a most delightful reception was given to the bridal party at the bride's home on East Moore street.

Mr. and Mrs. Gulley left last night for their future home, Meridian, Miss. The out-of-town guests for the ding were: Mrs. Euth Gulley, of Me-ridian, Miss.; Mr. Frank Gowdy, of 'Meridian; Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Bristol. of Statesville; Mr. and Mrs. DeVault, of Asheville, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Frix, of Lumberton.

Mrs. G. P. Erwin delightfully entertained the Book Club Thursday after-noon at her pretty home on West Union street. The house was beautifully decorated in holly and mistletoe. and it being the Christmas meeting, and it being the Christmas meeting, each member was presented with a small stocking filled with bon bons and nuts. Mrs. Erwin as usual proved herself a charming hostess.

NEW Y. M. C. A. BUILDING.

Spiendidiy Equipped Establishment Formally Opened at the Monaghan Mills, Near Greenville, S. C., With Interesting Exercises.

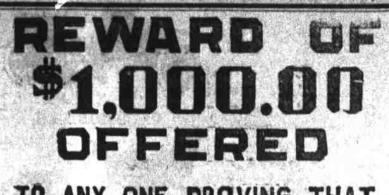
Interesting Exercises. Ourrespondence of The Observer. Greenville, E. C., Dec. 24.-The opening of the handsome building of the Young Men's Christian Association of the Mona-ghan Mills, near this city, which occur-red last night, is an event of peculiar interest, being the first building of 'ts kind erected in a cotton mill village in this country. The association is an or-ganization of the men and boys employed at these mills. The building has been erected by Mr. Thos. F. Parker, presi-dent of the mill corporation and other stockholders and friends whom he has interested in the movement.

stockholders and friends whom he has interested in the movement. The main building is 42x67 feet, three stories high, with an annex 40x60 feet. It is artistic in outward appearance and handsomely finished within. A broad plazza extends across the front of the building. Entering the building one finds a spacious lobby out of which one may pass into the various departments of the building. On the right are the game room and reading room, and on the left two rooms for boys. These boys rooms also have a special entrance from the side of the building. In the rear of the lobby the office is located, commanding by its position the oversight of the building. A passage to the rear leads to the gymna-

passage to the rear leads to the gymna-slum, which is well lighted and ventilat-ed, provided with a running track and equipped with a complete line of apparatus for physical culture. A stair-case from the lobby leads to the second floor, which is divided into educational class rooms. director's room and kitchen. On the third floor is an armory for the As sociation Silver Cornet Band, equipped with lockers for instruments, with an office for the manager of the band. In the basement there are a pair of first-class bowling alleys, a barber shop, double shuffle board, six shower baths, one hun-

shuffle board, six shower baths, one hun-dred and twenty lockers for gymnasium suits, toilet rooms and the heating plant. The building is handsomely equipped with furniture and everything needed for the conduct of the association work, includ-ing a grand plano and an organ. The gymnasium is also used for an audience room, six hundred folding chairs being provided for seating A saw plant has provided for seating. A gas plant has been installed for artificial lighting and an abundant water supply is secured from a reservoir with an electric motor and pump having a capacity of 15,000 gallons per day. Some two hundred members are already enrolled in the association and this number will be largely increased now this number will be largely increased now that the building is ready for use. The band is equipped with silver instruments and filled a creditable part in the pro-gramme last night. A string orchestra, glee club, Bible class and numerous so-cla features have been started anticipat-ing the completion of the building. The exercises last night consisted of the bath back addapted by the back

The exercises last high consisted of music by the band, addresses by Mr. Par-ker, Mr. C. C. Michener, of New York city, industrial secretary of the interna-tional committee of Young Men's Chris-tian Associations; Mr. G. C. Huntington, inter-State secretary, and devotional ex-cises by the local pastors. local pastors. cises by the The association work is under the direction of a trained general secretary, Mr. I. E. Munger, formerly of Waterloo, In. Mr. Munger has had a wide and successful experience in such work and is proving himself the man neded to lay the foundations of this work in whica much interest 's already manifest by the other manufacturers and which undoubt-edly will be extended to other mill com-munities if it meets with the success munities if it meets with the success which is confidently expected. The Young Men's Christian Association is but one of the interesting movements going on at the mills. The Young Wo-men's Christian Association has an or-ganization with a general secretary and a domestic science teacher, excellent schools are provided and much attention is guard to provide and much attention



TO ANY ONE PROVING THAT THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IS NOT BASED ON ACTUAL FACTS MORE REYNOLDS' SUN CURED WAS SOLD IN THE PAST YEAR, 1903, THE THIRD YEAR IT WAS OFFERED TO CHEWERS THE AMOUNT THAN USED IN THE UNITED STATES OF ANY BRAND OF TOBACCO CLAIMED TO BE SUN CURED.

EVILS DUE TO PTOMAINES, present widespread work in one of the most minutely difficult of all scientific researches; and, although al-

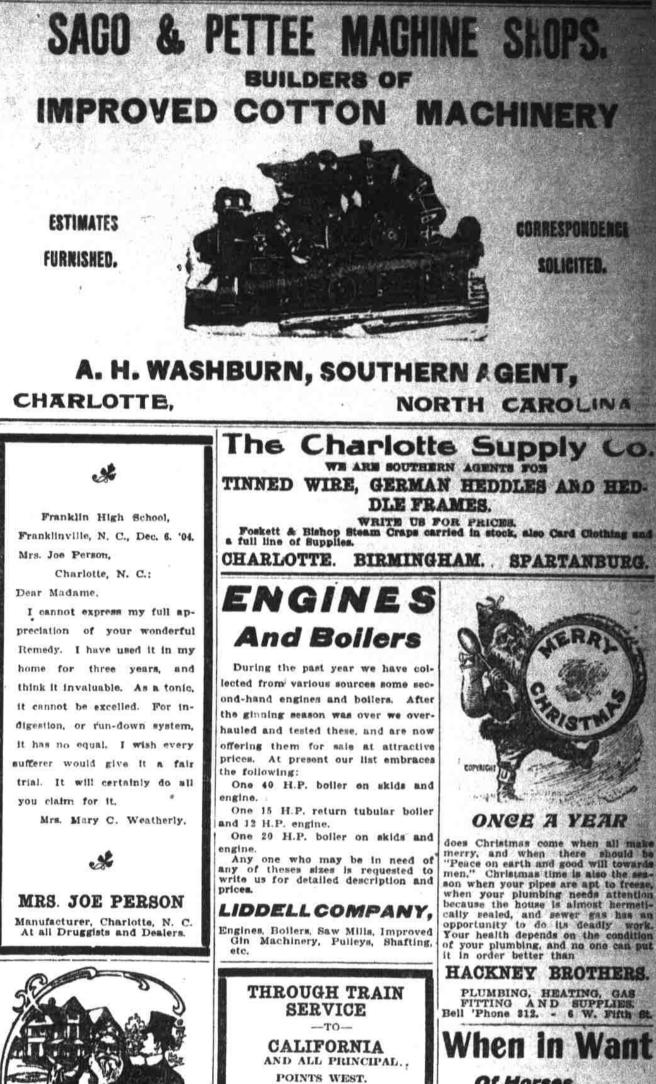
HOW TO AVOID FOOD POISONS. ready it is said that the time is not far distant when the danger of pto-Causes of Bacterial Changes in Meat, Milk and Fish Explained—Precau-tions That Should be Taken in the Preparation of Food Products and a Means of Finding Whether Canned wide field of investigation for the Goods Are Wholesome-Canned Pro-labors of future generations of scienwide field of investigation for the ducts Safer Than is Commonly Suptists. Food poisoning may be caused in posed.

Correspondence of The Observer. various ways-the most common cases

being those of meat, sausage, fish, Boston, Dec. 2 .- Just what "ptomilk and cheese poisoning, through maine poisoning," really is puzzles bacterial action producing ptomaines. the average man. For some years it These bacterial changes usually take has been the fashion to attribute any place in the flesh before it is cured or sudden and otherwise unexplainable cooked. During this time, the baclocal epidemic of disease to this dread teria, which act by attacking the nicause-a form of bacterial action very trogenous portions of the food and vaguely understood by most of us, breaking it up into other substances, and bnly beginning to be reduced to some of which are poisonous, complete exact scientific knowledge by the ac- their work so thoroughly that even cumulating investigations of students the heat of an oven or frying pan is of bacteriology.

insufficient to destroy their newly-acquired poisonous qualities. For example, it is undoubtedly true These changes take place with great rapidity that of all articles of food, canned goods, if properly prepared, are about and are almost impossible to detect in their first stages. Later the decomthe safest from the action of the "bugs that make the ptomaines." Yet position is accompanied by a characthey have long been popularly beteristic taste or odor; but the food may have become dangerous before lieved to be the most dangerous. And these tell-tals evidences are notice the reason, when one comes to think able. about it, is fairly obvious. The

The remedy lies in stringent laws canned goods are generally prepared from fresh materials, used before regulating the sale of any food prod-there is opportunity for decomposi-tion to reach the danger point, and pecially in removing from every they are further freed from danger of creature that has been sacrificed to bacterial action by careful steriliza. the human appetite the intestinal And if these safeguards have tract where these dangerous organtion. proved inefficient, as in rare in-stances they do, there remains a The passage of such laws, based upmethod by which the consumer can tell whether or not the contents of a given can are perfectly wholesome. All that is necessary is to inspect the of ptomaine poisoning-a danger that within, you may be sure that they primitive man centuries before the will have produced gases, which in presence of any kind of bacteria was turn will have affected the shape of even distantly suspected. the can. If its ends bulge ever so Fish poisoning is another way in slightly, don't buy it. But if the which the so-called ptomaines have ends of the can are concave the con- caused humanity a great deal of untents are quite "safe and sane," to happiness; though many times this borrow the slogan of recent campaign lype of food is wrongly supposed to be guilty. Certain fish, for example, oratory. Once the can is opened, however, the contents are as subject to have poison glands of their own and bacterial attack as any other food are only wholesome when these glands When Kris Kringle Speaks have been removed, and yet others product would be and must be kept should you not listen as to one with are polsonous at certain seasons, owas carefully. His Holiday advice to you ing to changes that are taking place authority? This whole subject, according is to seek us out for anything and everything you desire and require in in them that give rise to polsonous Professor S. C. Prescott, of the de-partment of industrial biology at the compounds. But in many cases the hard and soft woods for inside or outdisastrous effects of eating fish Massachusetts Institute of Technoloside lumber. That you will make no mintake in dealing here is amply borne undoubtedly to be attributed to the gy, is now much better understood by experts than formerly, and the main ptomaines produced by bacteria, either after the fish have been prepared for market or on account of the accumufeatures of it can easily be made intelligible to the man in the street. lation of such bacteria in infected For a long time after ptomaines, or



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MORGANTON MATTERS.

Correspondence of The Observer. Morganton, Dec. 24.-Last Thursday evening a beautiful and impressive evening a beautiful and impressive wedding ceremony was performed in the Methodist church here, when Miss Mary Lou Bristol was married to Mr. Frank Gullley, of Meridian, Miss. Promptly at s o'clock and just as Mrs. E. B. Claywell began playing the wedding march, the bridal party en-tered the church. I irst came the groomsmen, Mr. Will Hogan and Mr. Jim McGlimpsey, Mr. Dick Bristol and Mr. Jamos Claywell. Mr. Iverson Da-vis, and Mr. Ed. Alexander, next the dumes of honor, Mrs. Benedict Bristol is given to improving the homes, adding to the attractiveness of the village and promoting the welfare of the people.

The opening programme includes "open house" this afternoon, with music and refreshments. To-night the Monaghan Millis Sunday school will hold its Christmas exercises in the building. To-morrow the following special ser-vices will be held: Workers meeting, 8:30 a.m., and union services, 7:30 p.m., both of which wil be addressed by Mr. A. C. Bridgman, of Columbia, assistant State secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association; concert by Mona-ghan Y. M. C. A. Band and Orchestra, 3 p. m., and men's rally at 4 p. m., with address by Rev. Frank D. Hunt, of Green-ville. mas exercises in the building. poisonous substances, were first dis-covered, it was imagined that they were themselves a form of bacteria. But it it now well known that they are simply poisonous substances, produced by the combined action of hundreds of minute organisms-the so-called "putrefying" bacteria-on the food products eaten by all kinds of

On Monday night the exercises will ose with a concert by the Piedmont. C., Band.

DAVIDSON DESERTED.

The Students Home for the Holidays -Personals and News Notes.

Correspondence of The Observer. Davidson, Dec. 24-The college halls are descried to-night. It is indeed a case of: "Tis the night before Christmas, and able a reputation for unwholesome all through the house, Not a creature is stirring, not even

But if Santa Claus goes through and peers in he will find no lean stockings dangling from the mantels. Nor, as he wanders from room to room, will there be any fiful firelight to reveal faces above the coverlet, faces on which the resolution of watching for and catching

the mysterious old saint, is not wholly removed even by the sleep that waits on lired childhood. No, Santa will encounter a stillness that will frighten even him if

a stillness that will frighten even him if he makes the mistake of invading those college buildings to-night. Even some of the faculty has gone away for the holidays. The Douglas brothers will spend the time in Chester and Black-stock, S. C.; Prof. J. M. McConnell at his home in McConnellsville, S. C.; and Dr. Santelle left this morning for Ten-bonson

nessee. Several young people of the town, who have been away to school, are at home for the holidays. Miss Edith Sloan is here from Agnes Scott, Miss Marie Sloan from the Presbyterian College, at Charlotte; Misses Maude Vinson and Jean Dupuy from Converse College, and Messrs. Gregg Caldwell and Francis Jetton from the A. M. College. food products.

Caldwell and Francis Jetton from the A. & M. College. Dr. W. R. Grey and family and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Grey went to Mooresville to-day for the family reunion at Rev. Dr. J. M. Wharey's. - Dr. G. M. Maxwell left this morning for Richmond. Va., where he goes as one of the attendants at the marriage of Dr. Will Strong, of Richmond, who will be married on the 27th to Miss Lucile Montgomery, of Rich-mond. - Dr. J. P. Munroe and Miss An-nie Belle Munroe left to-night for Hick-ory, where they will spend Christmas.

waters. And here, also, the danger is fortunately decreasing in proportion as greater scientific knowledge only safeguards the fish markets, but attends to the purification of sewerage before it is permitted to enter bodies of salt or fresh water.

In this study of the ptomaines lies also the secret of the modern development of laws governing the milk humanity except the vegetarians. The supply of our big cities and the emptomaines are, therefore, practically ployment of experts to maintain a as many in number as the different animal food products-but all alike in standard of purity in various dairy products. The omnipresent bacteria. their power to make trouble for huare also in evidence in the milk of manity. All are alike, also, in that they induce evils which are preventaill-kept dairies, and it is only by the greatest care in the handling of every One important reason, for examobject that comes between the caw ple, why pork has attained so unenviand the milk consumer that the danger can be completely avoided. Bequalities is due not to the personal fore the modern scientific study of habits of Mr. Pig. but to the careless way in which he has been handled milk and its products, there were undoubtedly many cases of polsoning that remained unexplained to these who experienced them; and the known cases, since the subject was better unwell-being-so much so that it not derstood, have included oven only absorbs the attention of many incream and custards in which bad milk dividual scientists, but has become of

was the dangerous element, Some persons, of course, are more easily affected by ptomains poisoning and than others, and geonral good health is, therefore, an additional safeguard against this particular danger. It has been suggested, ind red, that most our minor ills could be attributed to "auto-intoxication." or the accidental poisoning of ourselves with more or ing its terror in proportion as it is less mildly poisonous substances, a made more and more unlikely by sci-entific methods in the preparation of one kind and snother. This, however, 14 simply a theory that has been

The name ptomaine has a rather neither proved for disproved, and startling significance, going back to medern science claims credit only for the Greek word for corpse, the first the discovery of the large number ptomaines having been discovered in whose existence can be proved by the dead bodies. The name was suggest- delicate bacteriological experiments ed in the early eighties by an Italian that have led to so many laws that scientist, some years after the first look at first glance quite unrecessary, exact knowledge had been obtained of ar i are, neverth-less of vital mwhat the substance actually was that postance in adding to the comfort and for centuries had been causing such safer ' of modyra living. And these disastrous results to the human beings jav a are invariably approved in prac-who accidentally came in contact tice by all reputable desires in food with it. As long ago as the time of priducts, for in the long run pure the ancient Hebrews, the danger of goads are more productie and more this kind of poisoning had been recognized, although the cause was neith- there are elements of decomposition.

ory, where they will spead Christmas. If You Are Troubled With Dyspepsia, Indigestion. Heart Burn, Sick Stomach. Rheumatism or Lumbago, come in and deposit 50 cents with us and try a bottle of the world famous SEVEN BARKS, and if you don't find it the best medicine you ever used, come and get the 50 cents-it is yours. We don't was it. This great remedy has been sold in this way for more than thirty-five years and never disappoints the sufferer. It is the one unifailing curve for the above troubles.

while being transformed into sausage.

The subject, therefore, is obviously

late years an important part of the

bacteriological work of such an insti-

tution as the Massachusetts Institute

of Technology, where not only in-

structors, but also advanced students,

are constantly working along specific lines of individual research. And it

is owing to such researches, the world

over, that ptomaine poisoning is los-ing its terror in proportion as it is

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