SOCIAL

Miss Florence Thomas left, yesterday morning, for Athens, Ga., where she will visit friends.

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Mrs. J. Mercer Blain and little daughter, Mary Grier, left yesterday for Rocky River. They had been the guests of Mrs. C. N. G. Butt. Mrs. Blain is a missionary to China, and will return there in the near future.

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Mrs. O. P. Heath left, yesterday morning, for a visit to friends at Fort Mill, S. C.

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Miss Kate Markey, of Richmond, Va., is the guest of Mrs. G. S. Johnson.

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Miss Adelaide LeFever, of Statesville, is the guest of Mrs. C. A. Misenheimer, at her home on Elizabeth avenue.

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Mrs. John Crawford, of Lancaster, S. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Montgomery.

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Miss Lizzie Willeford left last night to spend the day with friends in Concord.

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Miss Mary Alexander, of Fayetteville, arrived in the city last night and is the guest of Mrs. Joseph R. Ross, on North Church street.

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Among the guests at the Buford last night were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Biggerstaff, of Sunshine.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Torrence, Jr., of Lincoln, Neb., arrived in the city yesterday morning and are guests at the home of Mr. Torrence's father, on North Church street.

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BRIEFS.

A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City.

—A new coat of paint has been applied to the front of the Central Hotel property.

—His friends will be glad to learn that Col. D. G. Maxwell is able to be out again after an illness of several days.

—A Piedmont car was derailed on East Trade street, near the square, last evening and the track blocked for some time.

—The Daughters of the King will meet at St. Peter's Episcopal church to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

—The eight-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trotter died at their home in the Chadwick Mill section yesterday morning.

—Rev. Dr. J. R. Howerton delivers the sixth lecture in the temperance series at the First Presbyterian church this evening.

—Mr. J. M. Jones has purchased from Mr. Vinton Liddell the residence at No. 511 North Church street and will occupy it in the near future.

—Her friends will regret to learn that Miss Isabel Woodley, a teacher at the Piedmont Industrial school, has been ill for several days. Her condition was much improved yesterday.

—The huge steam roller, puffing and rolling along the line of the new track on East Trade street, was the most noticeable object in that section of the city yesterday.

—Independence lodge of Pythians, at Huntersville, will give its annual banquet Thursday night. This is always an enjoyable event and will probably be attended by a good delegation of Charlotte Pythians.

—A special feature of the music at the First Presbyterian church this morning will be a violin solo by Prof. Don A. Richardson. The selection to be rendered is Schumann's Traumerei.

—The choir loft of the Tryon Street Methodist church has been furnished with handsome new bent wood chairs, which were purchased with the proceeds of the cantata, "The Nativity."

—An unusual number of farmers were in the city yesterday. They are already beginning to talk of their spring planting. The concensus of opinion is that the acreage should remain the same as that last year.

—Battery A, North Carolina National Guard, will assemble at its armory at the city hall this afternoon at 1:30 to attend the funeral of Rev. James A. Dorritee, for many years the beloved chaplain of the company.

—The township road force is engaged in widening Providence road, near the home of Mr. McD. Watkins. The macadam is also being worked over. When the road is completed it will be one of the best in the county.

—The plans and specifications for the new parish house of the St. Peter's Episcopal church, are being drawn and will soon be completed. This building is to be placed in the rear of the church and will cost something like $10,000.

—Rev. Dr. J. C. Kugo, who will make the address at the mass meeting for men at the Academy of Music this afternoon at 5 o'clock, will occupy the pulpit of Trinity Methodist church in the evening. He will not preach this morning.

—Greensboro Record: "Miss Nan Wood and brother, Mr. Word H. Wood, the latter of Charlotte, have gone to Baltimore, where Mr. Wood will receive treatment in Johns Hopkins Hospital for appendicitis, with which he has been troubled for some time."

—A member of the park and tree commission stated yesterday that, if possible, Mr. John Nolen would return to Charlotte before the spring in order to supervise some of the work which is now in contemplation. Mr. Nolen left for his home in Cambridge, Mass., Friday night.

—The parties who are endeavoring to get up an aerie of Eagles here report that they have had good success so far. Mr. E. F. Creswell, of the Gem Restaurant, is interested in the order and has an application blank for anyone who desires to join.

—Prof. R. J. Cochran, county superintendent of education, stated last evening that more routine work was transacted in his office yesterday than during any other day of the present season. Teachers from all parts of the county were taking advantage of the pleasant weather to call for supplies and to get the vouchers for their salaries.

—The Boys' Volunteer League will meet at 2:45 p. m. in the parlor of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. T. A. Adams will address the boys on the subject of "A Boy and His Companion." All boys of the city under 14 years old are invited to attend this meeting. There were 25 boys in the Saturday morning Bible classes yesterday.

—There are few more noted humorists in the country than Prof. C. B. Newton, who is to appear in the Pythian Castle Hall to-morrow night. Prof Newton is no stranger to Charlotte for he lectured in the city about two years ago. A cordial invitation is extended all visiting as well as local Pythians to attend the meeting.

Seaboard Buys 1,000 Box Cars.

President J. M. Barr, of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, writes from Portsmouth, Va., to The Manufacturers' Record confirming the report that the company has given a contract to the American Car & Foundry Company for 1,000 cars. He says they will probably be delivered in February and March, and that the order consists of 500 ventilated and 500 plain box cars of 80,000 pounds capacity each, all with steel underframe.

Back to the Woods.

Mr. F. L. Plaisance, who has been here for some time with Richardson's Orchestra, will return to the farm in Henderson county, where he will grow grass, apples and poultry. He will compete with The Big Duffer in the apple market.

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DEATH OF MRS. CLARKSON.

After a Brief Illness She Passed Away at Her Home in This City Yesterday—Was One of the Well-Known Women of This Section of the State—A Daughter of the Late W. J. Yates, Editor of the Old Democrat—The Funeral Will Take Place This Afternoon.

Mrs. Elizabeth Yates Clarkson, a daughter of the late William J. Yates, who for years owned and edited The Democrat, one of the most influential papers that Mecklenburg county ever had, died at her home on East Ninth street yesterday morning at 11:30 o'clock, after a brief illness. The news of Mrs. Clarkson's death was a great shock to the community. Her most intimate friends did not know that she was dangerously ill, for those who had inquired about her condition had been told that she was suffering with a severe attack of grip, but nothing more.

Last Sunday and Monday Mrs. Clarkson was in Salisbury at the bedside of her youngest daughter, Mrs. Louis A. Brown, who is very ill at the Whitehead-Stokes Sanitorium where she contracted a deep seated cold, which did not yield to treatment. Friday she was better, but some time during the night her lungs became congested. Early yesterday morning she rallied but later was overcome and the sudden summons followed. When the end came Mrs. Clarkson was attended by her daughter, Mrs. Henry B. Fowler, her only son, Master Yates Clarkson, Mr. Fowler, her physicians, a few close relatives and dear friends.

Mrs. Clarkson was the widow of Capt. T. Simons Clarkson, who died on August 8, 1904. She was born in Fayetteville, and was 49 years old last month. She was married on January 6, 1876. The following children survive her: Mrs. Joe M. Tull, of Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Richard S. Busbee, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Louis A. Brown, of Concord, and Mrs. Henry B. Fowler and Master Yates Clarkson, of Charlotte. She leaves three half-sisters and two half-brothers, Mrs. I. W. Faison and Mrs. E. L. Keesler, of Charlotte, and Mrs. J. H. Ross, of Shreveport, La., and Mr. W. J. Yates, of Texas, and Mrs. David S. Yates, of Charlotte.

Mrs. Simons Clarkson was one of the well known women of this section of the State. Those intimate with her counted themselves fortunate, for she had a big heart and a helping hand for one and all. Her perfect devotion to her family, especially her children, was often remarked on by those who knew her. Her life has been one of cheerful toil and tender love for those dependent upon her.

After the death of her husband, more than a year ago, Mrs. Clarkson kept a number of select boarders, who were very fond of her. She was a mother to every one under her roof. Her death is a great loss to the city. She was the sort of Christian woman that helped the weak, the unfortunate and the needy. The poor, dissipated person who was throwing his or her life away could always count on a good word from Mrs. Clarkson. Her purpose in life was not to cry down, but to build up. Hers was a sweet and lovely disposition.

The funeral will be conducted from St. Peter's Episcopal church this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt conducting the services.

The pallbearers will be: Capt. A. J. Beall, Messrs. C. E. Frick, W. C. Maxwell, C. H. Duls, Wade H. Harris, J. P. Wilson, Greorge H. Brockenbrough and A. L. Smith.

GRAVES-GRIFFITH.

Marriage of Mr. Ralph H. Graves and Miss Fay Griffith at the Gilsey House, New York, Last Evening.

As the announcement in The Observer last Sunday of the then approaching marriage in New York of Mr. Ralph H. Graves and Miss Fay Griffith was read here with deep interest, so will be the following special, giving a brief report of the event which had been foreshadowed:

"New York, Jan. 20.—Miss Frances M. Griffith and Mr. Ralph H. Graves were married this evening at the Gilsey House, Broadway and Twenty-ninth street, by the Rev. Dr. James I. Vance, of Newark, N. J. Mrs. Graves is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Griffith, of Charlotte, N. C. Mr. Graves is a newspaper man and magazine writer of this city, now a member of the staff of The Evening Post and formerly with The Times for six years. His father was the late Ralph H. Graves, professor of mathematics in the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill.

"The only guests at the wedding were the bride's parents, Miss Margaret Bourne, Miss Rose E. Young and Mr. Louis Graves. The Rev. Dr. Vance, who is an old friend of the Griffith family, came from New Jersey to perform the ceremony.

"Mrs. Eldred Griffith, after making a short visit to her other married daughter in Poughkeepsie, expects to return to Charlotte. She has been in New York for five or six weeks."

MAY SEND TROOPS TO CHINA.

Feeling Against Foreigners Said to be Growing Worse Instead of Better.

Washington Special, 17, to New York Sun.

Recent advices which have come to the State Department do not indicate that the situation as regards the national feeling which exists toward foreigners in China is at all improved. On the contrary, the conditions appear to be growing even worse, and officials here are all the more convinced of the wisdom of sending more troops to the Philippines, who may be thrown into China in the event of trouble. Two regiments of infantry and two batteries of field artillery will leave the United States for the Philippines on February 1. This will give this government a large force to use in China in case there is an outbreak against foreigners.

Acting under instructions from the State Department the various American consuls and agents throughout China have made mail reports to the Department concerning the internal conditions in China. These mail reports have arrived in numbers recently and nearly all of them indicate that the conditions are not growing better. They come from various parts of China and admirably reflect the exact status of conditions there. There has been, however, no recent cable despatches which would indicate that trouble is close at hand.

The Y. M. C. A. Concert.

The Young Men's Christian Association is promoting a concert for to-morrow evening in their building. The concert will be given by the New York Concert Company who come to the city with the very finest of press commendation. Music lovers are guaranteed an evening of rare pleasure. The price of admission will be 50 cents. No reserved seats.

The Erie Dispatch has the following regarding the contralto: "Miss Edith Cale Price, contralto, delighted her audience, winning rounds of applause from many admirers of a rich contralto voice. Her solos were beautifully rendered."

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As it had been previously announced that Generals R. E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson's birthdays would be commemorated by appropriate exercises by the daughters and children of the Confederacy, the old soldiers being especially invited to the Young Men's Christian Association at 12 o'clock m. for dinner, the hour arrived, and the old soldiers, about 150 in number, marched in and were seated at three long tables filled with all that an old soldier could wish to eat. this was heartly enjoyed by the old vets, for they knew it was dished out to them by the true, loving daughters of veterans. May Heaven's richest blessings crown each and all of them with many more years of observing the memorial births of two of the noblest, grandest heroes that ever rode in saddles, Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. After dinner being served the commander notified the comrades to meet at the armory at 2:30 o'clock for further exercises of the day. As announced, the camp met in call meeting, the commander called the comrades to order and explained the object of the meeting. After some business had been transacted and a letter from a very dear friend of the old veterans was read for the benefit of the camp, Dr. F. O. Hawley, moved that this camp tender to the Daughters and Children of the Confederacy their heatfelt thanks for the bountiful feast they all enjoyed by a rising vote. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous. The camp then marched to the court house, where the address and distribution of crosses of honor closed the exercises. All went home happy. H. A. DUCKWORTH, Adjt.

The Vesper Services at the Y. M. C. A.

Vespers of the Young Women's Christian Association will be held at 5 o'colck to-day, at the Association Home on North Church street. Miss Carrie Weller will speak on "Life and Character."

Miss Eva Eddins has prepared the following musical programme: Solo, Mr. Usher; Flute solo, Mr. Harry Asbury, Misses Allison and Eddins accompanists.

Two of the young women who are to give the concert Monday evening for the Y. W. C. A. are stopping at the Association Home and will sing at the vespers Sunday.

Miss Inez Kinney arrived in Charlotte last night, and is the guest of Miss Aldrich. She will be present at the vespers and make a short talk. Miss Kinney is college traveling secretary of the Inter-State committee of the Carolinas.

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Hymn—163—"Take Time to be Holy."
Hymn—128—"Yield Not to Temptation."
Selection I.
Hymn—128—"Sound the Battle Cry."
Talk—Prof. H. P. Harding.
Hymn—194—Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me."
Closing prayer.

This meeting is open to all boys of the city over 14 years old, whether members of the association or not, and a cordial invitation is extended to all boys to attend.

The officers and members of Suez Temple No. 73, D. O. K. K., are requested to meet at their Temple, Piedmont Building, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of Past Royal Vizier J. A. Dorritee. J. G. BAIRD, R. V.
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