SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Bessie Lente Steere entertaind at her home on South Myers street and night in compliment to her guest, Miss Katharine Jenkins, of Winston-Salem. The home was tastefully decorated for the occasion and the evening was made a most pleasant one. The guests were the following named: Misses Lillian Clinard, Helen McCrary, of Morristown, Tenn.; Bessie Stearne, Bleeker Reid, Pansy Bridges, Julia Gray, Willie Young, Lucy Smith, Dela Fox, Annie Louise Hutchison, Essie Stokes, Laura Spong, Lucile Withers, Gochia Lowery, Ruth Carpentee, Messrs. Jackson Beall, Ruffin Smith, Morson McManaway, Ted Cave, Hatcher Watkins, George Moore, Charles McManaway, Harry Wakefield, I. Walker, Rev. C. M. Schafer, McKean Maffit, Clarence Smith, T. J. Hutchison, Robert Lafferty, Willie McManaway, J. P. Lucas, Rufus Johnston, Walter Lambeth, Wilber Allison, Robert Dalton, David Usher, Thomas Hayes, T. J. Youngsend, Edward Bradley, Deams Carpenter, Harvey Overcash, Frank Bradley William Simpson. Misses Lillian Clinard, Melen McCrary,

times the club rooms were packed with people. Refreshments were served and music furnished.

Mrs. Plato T. Durham, who has been visiting her parents, near Rockingham, will return home to-day.

Cards reading as follows were issued yesterday; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jones At Home

Friday evening, June 1st, 1906 from 8 to 12 o'clock In honor of Mrs. E. Hooper, Jr., Miss Plummer.

Baltimore Md. Columbia, S. C. Mrs. J. R. Irwin was operated on e Presbyterian Hospital Mon-Her friends will be glad to

know that she is doing nicely since the operation. Among the Charlotte people who went to Davidson Monday to attend the commencement were: Misses Julia Christian, Helen Bridgers, Helen

Rhyne, of Mt. Holly; Messra. P. M. Brown, R. A. Dunn, George Wilson, P. P. Brown, Walter Smith, Robert Craig, of Gastonia; Hazel Mayer, W. J. Hartey and Julian Gillespie. Misses Florence Kamper, and Miss Ona Spillman, who have been attending the commencement exercises of

Linwood Seminary, are expected to return to the city to-morrow. Miss Hattle Miller is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hackney, on Eliza-

beth avenue. Miss Dora Sater is spending some

time in Halifax, visiting her mother. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Steere will chaperone a picnic party to the river

to-day. There are to be ten couples who will spend the day on the old Davidson place, near Rozzelle's Ferry. Miss Mabel Ireland, of Winston, who has been the guest of Miss Mattie Moore, is now at the home of Dr. and Mrs. T. F. Costner, on South

Miss Anna Landis, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Lanleft yesterday morning Greensboro, to visit her sister, Mrs.

W. I. Anderson. of Gallatin, Tenn., is the guest at the home of Capt. R. A. Torrance, on

North Church street. Miss S. E. Wilson, who has been the

Mrs. J. Frank Wilkes will entertain the Thursday Afternoon Pleasure Club to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. R. A. Dunn will entertain at a luncheon this afternoon at 2 o'clock done up man, though his story is in compliment to Mrs. John Gibbon, open to question.

Mrs. E. Jeffords, of Ocala, Fia., will arrive in the city to-day to spend the summer here. Her daughters, Miss Edna, are already here.

Among the visitors in the city yes-terday was Mrs. Frank Armfield, of Monroe, who was a guest at the Hotel Buford.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Alexander will mer home at Black Mountain.

Miss Emma Whitman returned to the city yesterday from Fredericks-burg. Va., and is with Mrs. Robert McDonald, at Dilworth.

Rev. and Mrs. Bothwick, of Florida, are visiting Mrs. Bothwick's sister, Mrs. Latta C. Johnston, on North

Mrs. S. E. Wilson returned to her home at Augusta, Ga., yesterday, after a visit to her son, Mr. T. C. Wilson, on Mint street.

Miss Luna Thompson, of Salisbury, after a visit to Misses Dalsy and Beulah Wallace, went to Concord yester-day to visit her sister, Mrs. A. J.

Mrs. C. Gresham, of Mount Airy, Ga., arrived in the city yesterday to visit her son, Mr. Edwin C. Gres-

Mrs. R. B. Johnston, of Birming-ham, Ala., is visiting Mrs. Saille Cald-well White. She is returning home after attending the meeting of regents of the Mount Vernon Memorial As-sociation, at Washington.

Mrs. I. W. Falson leaves this mornmrs. I. W. Fasson seaves this morn-ing for Davidson to attend the com-mencement exercises which are in progress there. Mr. Yates Falson, Mrs. Falson's son, is one of the grad-

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Steele and Mr. and Mrs. John Van Landingham leave this morning for Davidson College. Among the young men to be awarded diplomas to-day are Messrs. Roy Steele and John Van Landing-

Miss Maude Holt will leave this morning for Lake Waccamaw to visit Miss Mary Allen Short.

In the absence of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Holt, who are now in Atlantic City, Mrs. W. E. Holt, Jr., of Lexington, is with the Misses Holt.

Judge and Mrs. Robert Brooke Albertson, of Scattle, Wash., arrived in the city last night and are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jordan, at the Central Hotel.

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WANT PHONE RATES REDUCED. Charlotte Citizens Will Petition State
Corporation Commission to Force
Southern Bell Telephone Company
to "Make the Rates Reasonable and

With the end in view of securing lower rates for telephones in Charlotte, a number of well-known citizens yesterday began circulating the following petition to the State Corporation Commission:

"To the North Carolina Corpora-The reception given by the Charlotte physicians at the Colonial Club last night was a brilliant success. The local doctors and their wives and daughters received. During the evening several hundred people called. It was a brilliant affair. At times the club rooms were packed tion Commission: We, the underhonorable body to make the rates reasonable and just."

There has been some dissatisfaction at the present telephone rates, which range from \$4 to \$2 a month, for some time, and the matter had been agi-tated quietly among subscribers until a few days ago when it was decided to petition the corporation commission, which has the power to fix rates on telephones. Several well-known-members of the Charlotte bar are among those who are in charge of the

When seen by a reporter yesterday afternoon, Mr. M. B. Spier, superintendent of this division of the Bell-Telephone Company, expressed some surprise at the movement. He said that the Charlotte office now has about 1,700 subscribers and that the service they receive is second to none in the country. He spoke of the im-mense outlay his company had made to give this branch the latest and most improved equipment and ser-He said that the rates here are as low as they are in any city the size of Charlotte in the country.

INHUMAN TREATMENT ALLEGED.

Negro Arrives at Salisbury from Rail-road Camp at Marion and Tells Harrowing Tale of Brutality—Has Painful Wounds on His Body—Investigation to be Made.

Special to The Observer. Salisbury, May 29 .- George Stoball, alias Will White, a colored man, came to Salisbury yesterday from the Mariou camp where the S. & W. Railroad is being graded, and showed evidences of inhuman treatment received there last week. The negro is not smart but tells a story, any part of which, if true as related portrays a fearful condition of brutality. It is hardly to be believed that everything is as he represented it.

White says that he came to camp No. 9 from Wilson and went to work on the grade. Before the allotted time of 90 days had expired, he grew ired of the treatment and last Thursday decided to leave and go to town, Marion being his objective point. As he started off a walking boss, he says, drew his gun on him and prevented his leaving, telling him that he would be killed if he left. The negro said the white boss then gathered four men, whose names he remembred, and proceeded to the woods where they began to flog him black jack with which he knocked White down and the men all covered which he knocked nim with pistols. The four aiding in the beating used their fists and beat him in the face, numerous bruises guest of her son, Mr. T. C. Wilson, on Mint street, left yesterday morning for her home in Augusta, Ga. marks which, he says, were made with a chain to which short pieces of eather were atached. He has bruised and swollen ankles and his throat s inflamed from some cause, to choking he attributes it. He is a badly

open to question.

When he was released, White says he was ordered back to camp and threatened with death if he told how he came by his injuries. For several days he declares that he said Charlie, who was a post-graduate at nothing about the matter and first Elizabeth College last term, and Miss said he had been stung by a bee and later that he had been kicked by a mule. It is a story of much sensational nature that it will be investigated and the matter has been put into the hands of atorneys who will immediately make inquiries relative to

A HEARING FOR BLACK.

Governor Heyward Returns to Columbia and Gives Out Statement Regarding Recent Sensational

Observer Bureau.

1206 Main Street,
Columbia, S. C.. May 28.
Governor Heyward returned to the city to-night. After getting the dust off and quieting down, he gave out this brief statement regarding the communication from the investigating committee relative to the Black-Lyon incident: "I have just returned to Columbia and have not yet had an opportunity to look carefully into the matter. I shall not act until I have been fully advised as to the law and all the facts and circumstances. The atterneys for Mr. Black have requested me to give them a hearing and this will be accorded them at the earliest possible moment. After this hearing I shall take such action as I believe to be proper."

Delightful Richardson Concert at HAWLEY'S PHARMACY

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Hawley's Pharmacy

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Within a fortnight or three weeks an automobile line will be established between Rutherfordton and Asheville, to give double daily passenger service between these points. The line will be from Rutherfordton, through the beautiful Chimney Rock section, to Hendersonville and thence to Asheville. The promoter of the enterprise is a Shelby man who has just returned from the West, where he saw several such lines in success-

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Biggers-Baker.

At 8 o'clock this evening, in the parlor of the Catholic rectory, Miss Carrie J, Biggers, and Mr. Ernest Baker will be married by Rev. Father Joseph, pastor of St. Peter's Catholic

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