

RECEPTION AT ELIZABETH.

W. C. A. members of the Institute... Following close upon the first busy day of matriculation and entrance upon the year's work, a reception was tendered last evening by the young ladies of the Y. W. C. A. of Elizabeth College to members of the faculty and new students.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

North Carolina is Growing at Every Turn in the Road—Some Interesting Observations.

"This country is developing very rapidly," said Charlotte man who came in from Greensboro yesterday afternoon. "Every county in this State is improving. The towns and villages are growing into cities. The lands in the country are becoming more valuable and bringing better prices as the weeks roll by."

HOTEL NEEDS MORE MONEY.

Stockholders to Meet to Consider the Advisability of Issuing \$100,000 More Stock. A meeting of the stockholders of the Highlands Hotel Company has been called for Tuesday, October 2nd, to consider the advisability of issuing the certificate of incorporation so as to provide for the creation of additional funds for the completion of the handsome new Hotel Selwyn, which is now in course of construction at the corner of Trade and Church streets.

The Sunday Mass Meeting to Begin Again.

The Young Men's Christian Association will open its fall season with a great meeting for men only in the Academy of Music to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock, which will be addressed by the Rev. W. R. Newell, of Chicago.

Rev. Mr. Newell has chosen for the subject of his address "After These Things—What?"

Rev. Mr. Newell is delivering a series of lectures at the East Avenue Tabernacle this week that is attracting much attention and he is greeted nightly by large crowds. Every effort will be made to make this opening service of the season a most attractive one. The music for the occasion will be furnished by Don Richardson.

All men, whether identified with the Young Men's Christian Association or not, are most cordially welcome to this service.

The Toxaway Falls Beautiful Now.

It has been reported that the recent rains had hurt the Toxaway country, but the reports are without foundation. The following telegram sent out by Caldwell Woodruff, of Lake Toxaway, will explain the situation: "Contradict Associated Press reports concerning this resort. It has not suffered any inconvenience of let up in visitors. Heavy rains above here make the Toxaway Falls prettier than ever in their history. People are coming from all the country round to see them. The weather is ideal and the fishing and hunting are fine. Everybody is happy."

"Watch Charlotte Grow."

The Greater Charlotte Club has arranged with 35 merchants, bankers and business concerns of the city to have a seal with "Watch Charlotte Grow" in light green and white, printed on the face of their envelopes. The club will bear the expense printing the design, which is a very neat one, on the first 2,000 envelopes used by each firm and has placed a cut of the design with every job printer in the city, to be used by any merchants who desire it.

Death of Miss Alma Beatty.

Miss Alma Beatty died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Beatty, at the corner of Fourth and Howard streets, yesterday morning at 1:30 o'clock. She was 19 years of age and had been ill with typhoid fever for some time. The funeral will take place at St. John's Episcopal church this morning at 11:30 o'clock, the remains leaving Charlotte at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Julian H. Little Elected.

Mr. Julian H. Little was elected yesterday afternoon a director of the Young Men's Christian Association to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Prof. G. B. Hanna.

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A PARTIAL TEXT BOOK FAMINE.

Many Schools Complaining of Their Inability to Procure Authorized Text Books for Use in the Public Schools—The Causes of the Trouble—Normal Conditions Will Shortly Prevalent. For weeks past there has been a great hue and cry raised throughout the State over the inability of the public schools to procure a sufficient number of text books such as were adopted in the summer by the State text book commission. A great majority of the schools have been in session for some time and the work of the class rooms has had to be neglected because the text books could not be obtained. A few of the schools have disregarded the law entirely and have adopted their own books. In some instances the trustees have authorized such action and have declared their purpose to disregard any orders received from the text book authorities. Such a case as this occurred in a recently re-opened Dilworth graded school, of which Prof. A. T. Allen is superintendent, opened for the fall term two weeks ago. Books were assigned in accordance with the instructions received from the State authorities, to use only such as were authorized by the text book commission. But when the teachers and their pupils went up-town there were no books for sale. Inquiry developed the fact that there were no books to be had in Raleigh or anywhere else. In other words that there was a book famine.

According to the statute, a uniform list of text books were to be selected for use in the public schools of the State for a period of five years. At the expiration of that time, the text book commission were to meet and revise the list for the succeeding five years. All went well until the past summer, when the first period expired. Those publishing houses which had contracts with the State to furnish books were afraid to put in a heavy stock for fear that they might not secure the contract again. Publishers of new books only issued sample copies for inspection by the commission. They had no assurance that their books would be adopted and hence did not publish any more than were necessary. When the commission met in Raleigh in the summer to make their choice, all the publishers were carrying a minimum supply. As soon as the action of the commission was announced, they set in motion their presses, but the early opening of the schools made it so that they could not supply the demand. Hence the book famine. The books are now being turned out by the thousands and the situation is becoming normal again. A full supply is expected by the local dealers within the next ten days or two weeks. Several series were received yesterday. Fortunately, the Charlotte graded schools were exempted from compliance with the orders of the State text book commission and hence they have not suffered.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ALL RIGHT.

Col. A. L. Smith Returns From the North and Talks of the Fire Departments Which He Saw—The Charlotte Department Able to Stand With Any of Them—What is Needed. "The more I see of the fire departments in other cities," declared Col. A. L. Smith to an Observer reporter yesterday, "the better pleased I am with our own. Recently I had occasion to visit a number of the cities of the North and I took particular pains to inspect a number of their car fire departments. I spent some time in Brooklyn, in New York and in Schenectady running around with the boys and seeing how they did things. Of course they had their fine engines, their long ladders, fitted with all the latest patent devices, and their trained horses, which cost thousands of dollars. Where he spend hundreds they spend thousands and their equipment is far superior to our own. But for quickness of action and method of work, the two things which count at a fire, I believe that the Charlotte fire department can stand shoulder to shoulder with any of them. We are woefully in need of additional equipment but even with what we have I would put up our department against almost any of the better paid and better equipped departments of the North."

Will Move the Old Cannon.

The old Spanish cannon, which for the past eight years has been reared on its wooden supports in front of the postoffice, will shortly be remounted either on stone or iron. Postmaster R. W. Smith is of the opinion that a metal casting will serve the purpose better, the foundation being more substantial and more in keeping with the relic. It is highly probable that it will be moved from its present location over beside the Shipp monument.

A Branch Postoffice for Dilworth.

Postmaster R. W. Smith stated to an Observer reporter yesterday that he would urge the department to establish a branch postoffice in Dilworth in the spring. "This will be Station A," declared Postmaster Smith, "and will be under the supervision of the Charlotte office. Mail will be received and delivered by carriers No. 7 and No. 12, who will make this station their headquarters. Money orders will be cashed as well as issued, and a general fourth-class postoffice business will be transacted."

Mr. W. M. Plyler Falls From Scaffold.

Mr. W. M. Plyler, a workman employed on the First Baptist Sunday school room, fell from a scaffold early yesterday morning and sustained severe bruises. The scaffold was about 25 feet in height and had been loosely erected. When Mr. Plyler threw his weight on one side it gave way, throwing him to the ground. While his injuries are painful, they are not serious and he resumed his work yesterday afternoon.

Prof. Tyler, of Amherst College, said recently: "A man can live comfortably without brains; no man can exist without a digestive system. The dyspepsia of day people rises the opportunity of caring for their digestion; realize the value of the use of a little corrective after every eating. A little corrective after every eating. It digests what you eat. Sold by Hawley's Pharmacy."

Attorney Gave Bond.

In the city police court story yesterday morning, after giving a brief record of the Donaldsons in police circles, The Observer stated: "Yesterday they, with O. L. Wilson, were arraigned on the charge of operating a blind user. They were bound over and remanded to jail to await trial." Construed as it was intended, the above statement meant that the Donaldsons were sent to jail. Wilson's attorney, Mr. J. D. McCall, giving bond for that offender. Wilson, who runs a grocery joint on East Trade street, had been too free in selling a certain brand of cider that has gotten a number of persons in trouble.

Local Talent Will Give Minstrel Performance.

A number of talented young men of the city are planning to give an up-to-date minstrel performance in the city some time during the fall or winter. There is plenty of talent in the city to choose from and, with sufficient rehearsing, the young men should give a creditable performance.

Recruiting Station at Greenville, S. C.

Major William B. Reynolds has just returned from a visit of inspection to the recruiting stations in Asheville and Hickory and Spartanburg, S. C. He also visited a number of cities in northwestern South Carolina and northern Georgia with the view of establishing other recruiting stations in this district. After looking over the field, Major Reynolds decided to put in a sub-station at Greenville, S. C. Officers will be sent there at once to take charge.

AN ELOQUENT TESTIMONIAL

The following letter is more eloquent in praise of the Artistic Steiff Pianos than any testimonials Mr. Clewell or ourselves could write. Rev. Mr. Clewell is the head of Salem Academy and College, Winston-Salem, N. C., and shows the high esteem and confidence in which the firm of Chas. M. Steiff is held by one of the best known educators in the South.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Sept. 20, 1906.

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Regarding the letter for the Steiff Pianos, please write such a letter as will suit your purpose and sign my name to the letter. Or, if you prefer to do so, write the letter and send to me and I will sign it and return to you. I know that I can endorse anything you claim for your pianos. We have always been well pleased with them. Very truly yours, J. H. CLEWELL, Principal.

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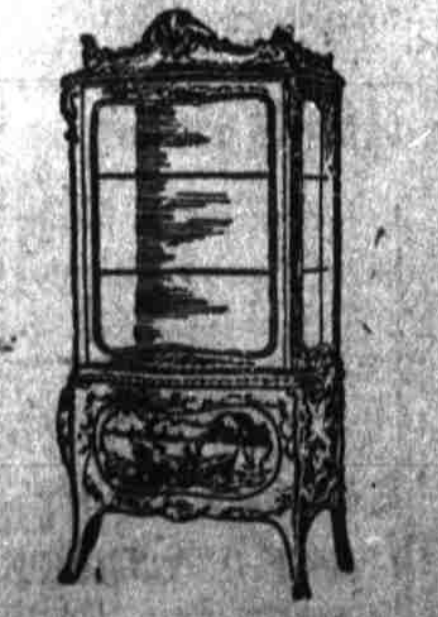
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In Police Circles.

Interest in the city police court yesterday morning centered around the case of Ernest Twitty, a young negro but an old offender, who was this time charged with an unprovoked assault on Cy Fink, a smaller boy. The wantonness of the assault cost the defendant \$25. Ernest could not pay and was sent to jail to await transportation to one of the county's health resorts, where he will spend the pleasant weeks of the next two months to good advantage building modern macadam highways.

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ARE THE DAYS OF MIRACLES PAST?

Or is There Nothing in Dreams or Visions?

In my annual rounds in the interest of my Remedy, in Halifax county, Va., I stopped at Mrs. S. F. Adams' store, near Turbeville, Va., who has been handling my Remedy for many years. While talking with Mrs. Adams, her cook came in to see me, enthused that she could really talk to me in person. She told me in her own way how she had been confined to her bed for eighteen months with what the doctors said was weak she could only be turned over in bed by means of a sheet. No one ever expected her to get up again. She told me she had nearly dropped off to sleep one night, when the vision of a small man appeared to her, holding a bottle of medicine in his hand. He spoke to her and said: "Take this medicine and it will cure you." She asked him, "What medicine is it?" He said, "It is Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy, and it will cure you." He then disappeared. She was so impressed with the dream, or vision, that she determined to try it. She told me she was just a skeleton, having lost all her flesh; had not been off her bed in six months and suffered all the time with severe pains in her chest, brought on by incessant coughing. She said by the time she took one-half bottle of the Remedy she felt better, and when she finished one bottle she could sit up, and one-half dozen bottles made a perfect cure of her and restored her to health. She is now one of the best cooks for Mrs. Adams.

MRS. JOE PERSON, Turbeville, Halifax Co., Va. WITNESS: I know the facts of my cook's condition as stated by Mrs. Person to be true, and of her wonderful cure by means of her Remedy. MRS. S. F. ADAMS, Turbeville, Halifax Co., Va., Sept. 14, 1906. MRS. JOE PERSON, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

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