## NEWS OF DAVIDSON.

**Students Leave for Happy Homes—McIver's Memorial Day in Schools—Personal Notes.**

Special to The Observer.

Davidson, Dec. 21.—The Christmas recess began to-day at midday. In order to allow the students to finish up to-day's examinations in time for the noon trains, the breakfast hour was moved up to 7:30, morning prayers were omitted and the examinations started at 8 o'clock. Extra cars were provided for the accommodation of the large numbers who took the first train bearing them homeward.

To-day there were no recitations in the public school, the exercises being devoted to the celebration of North Carolina Day, and taking this time the form of a memorial to the late Dr. Charles McIver. Dr. Henry Louis Smith made the address. Dr. Smith at a later hour to-day left for Fort Mill, where he also has an engagement to lecture. Dr. Smith expects to leave immediately after Christmas for Louisville, Ky., where he is to make an address on Church and Christian education, in connection with the movement to establish in that State a synodical college for women.

Dr. Wooten was called back several days ago from his hunting trip down at his old home in the eastern part of the State, by the serious illness of his little daughter, Sarah, who has an attack of pneumonia. She is now greatly better.—Rev. John Grey is here this week, after an absence of some time.—Miss Lula Grey, who has been in the hospital here for a number of weeks, has recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital, and is at the home of her brother, Dr. W. R. Grey.

Among the visitors in town yesterday were Mr. Burr, the musical assistant of Rev. William Black, synodical evangelist, and Mr. John Dodge, of Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. Dodge, who graduated here in '96, is a prominent young lawyer in his native State, being city attorney for Jacksonville. Two of his brothers are now members of the sophomore class.—Rev. William Black recently returned from Rockingham, where he assisted the pastor in a meeting that was very fruitful of results. The cards handed in by those professing conversion were 65 in number. The amount raised for synodical home missions was $75.

As the Christmas holidays are approaching Mr. Black will fill no other engagements till the first week in January, when he goes to the Bessemer Avenue church, Greensboro, Rev. J. W. Goodman pastor.

The usual Christmas exercises at the Linden Sunday school will be held Saturday night, the programmes consisting of music, recitations and a beautiful Christmas tree. Dr. J. P Munro is superintendent and director.—Dr. Munro and Miss Anna Belle Munro leave the first of next week to attend the Munroe-McDuffie wedding at Columbus, Ga.

## DOINGS AT HIGH POINT.

**Orphans Give Entertainment—Chair Company Increases Capital Stock—Working on Electric Light Project.**

Special to The Observer.

High Point, Dec. 21.—A band of orphans from the Barium Springs Orphanage gave an entertainment at the auditorium last night to a good-sized audience, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

The Tomlinson Chair Manufacturing Company has increased its capital stock to $250,000, $50,000 of which will be preferred stock. The Tomlinson company does a big business, which is continually on the increase. It is now in shape to do even a bigger business in the future.

Most of the manufacturing plants here will close down Saturday for the holidays, not returning to work again until New Year's Day. The time will be taken up in taking inventories, making repairs and the like, so as to begin the new year with everything straightened out for the next year's business.

The city schools will close down business to-day, and will not open up again for two weeks.

It has developed that High Point has built over 350 houses, of various kinds, during the year, or a house for every day in the year, which is a record she has been keeping up for several years. The money invested in these buildings will reach considerably over $500,000. High Point now has in course of erection three buildings costing from $30,000 to $100,000 or possibly more.

At a meeting of the board of aldermen Monday night, the matter of the disposal of the electric light project will be taken up. A committee has been appointed, and other definite arrangements made, to secure for High Point the necessary location and equipment for a modern electric light and water station, and the final meeting will be held to decide on the matter. It is learned that the committee has its eye on the colored Baptist church property in the hollow, as the location for the electric light plant, that new engines will be installed at the water works plant, and other needed improvements made, placing High Point in the front rank, as regards her electric light and water works plant.

Beginning with Monday night the various churches will begin to have their Christmas exercises and Christmas trees. Several of the churches have prepared interesting exercises for the occasion. All will make the little folks happy, as well as some of the older heads, by their remembrances of them in the way of Christmas gifts on the tree and otherwise.

The colored people have organized a building and loan association here. Prof. A. J. Griffin, of the Normal and Industrial School, and others are at the head of the enterprise.

**Entertainment at Red Spirngs Academy.**

Special to The Observer.

Red Springs, Dec. 21.—The cadets of the North Carolina Military Academy, at Red Springs, gave a band concert and drama Monday night to an enthusiastic audience of three hundred. The glee club sang original songs with great effect. The young men appearing as young ladies in the play were especially fine. Douglas McMillan acted a love sick old maid admirably. Mrs. Jones, the wife of the superintendent, and Commandant Cornell had the entertainment in charge. To them its success is largely due. The holiday vacation begins to-day, closing a half-year's work, which, in interest and in discipline, has never been equaled.

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## NEWS OF CONCORD.

**Good Auction Sale at Missouri City—New Drug Store Opened Up—Personal Comings and Goings, Mostly Comings.**

Special to The Observer.

Concord, Dec. 21.—The auction sale of lots by R. A. Brown at Missouri City, on the outskirts of the city, was well attended and sales were about as good as was expected. The cold, damp weather kept a great many people from the sales, but notwithstanding, there was yet a big crowd. A brass band led the procession.

Your correspondent is requested to state that all the Confederate veterans who have been awarded badges of honor by the Daughters of the Confederacy, and who have misplaced or lost them, can obtain a new one by making application through the proper channel Many of the vets are very anxious to regain possession of one of the crosses.

Mr. Joe Reed has opened up a drug store in his room on Union street, opposite the old Morris property. It will be run under the old name of Reed's Drug Store, which is familiar to all Cabarrus people. Joel Reed, senior, being the first man to open and conduct a drug business in Concord. He retired from business about 16 years ago.

The holiday visitors are home-returning to-day. Mr. and Mrs. Sarah B. Caldwell and son arrived this morning from Monroe, and will be here for a week.—Misses Grace and Helen Patterson arrived last night from the State Normal at Greensboro.—Mr. William Sappenfield is home from Baltimore, where he is studying pharmacy.—Mr. Ed. Litaker, an old Cabarrus boy, who left for the Northwest five years ago, arrived last night on a visit to his parents on South Union street. He is located at Linton, Indiana, and is engaged in the mining business. He will be here for several weeks.—Miss Anna Douglass Sherrill, the pretty young daughter of Mr. John B. Sherrill, is home from Randolph-Macon College at Danville.—Miss Lula Craven is home from the State Normal.—Miss Sudie Smith left last night for Atlanta on a visit to her sister, Mrs. John D. Hackett.—Mr. R. C. Montgomery is spending the holidays with his father, Judge W. J. Montgomery.—Mr. Ross Cannon came in yesterday from the Fishburn School.—Miss Lula Harris, of the Presbyterian College, at Charlotte, is visiting at the home of Mr. B. E. Harris.—Mr. Charley Barrier came in this morning from Catawba College, at Newton.—Messrs. Afton Means and Henry Rowe are home from the University.—Mrs. R. Will Johnston returned last night from Charlotte, where she had been in a hospital for some weeks. She is very much improved in health.

There will be Christmas services at All Saints' Episcopal church next Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. Music for the occasion will be under the personal direction of Mrs. W. H. Gorman.

Postmaster Buchanan is collecting an advance in box rent at the postoffice. Boxes now cost from $2 to $6.

Miss Margaret Woodhouse arrived last night from Converse College, and will remain during the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Alida Woodhouse.

## SHIPMENT OF HOLLY NORTH.

**The Christmas Tree in Demand—Negro Charged With Whiskey Selling—Child Clubbed to Death by Chinaman.**

Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, Dec. 21.—Considerable shipments have been made North of holly within the past few days, and also of mistletoe, which is very fine this year, and is in high favor, for hanging from the chandeliers and over the doorways, a gage of osculatory forfeit with our friends on the other side of Mason and Dixon's Line.

Tom Walker, a negro, was arraigned in the mayor's court to-day, charged with selling whiskey at his place on Bow street, and, in default of bond, was committed to jail for trial in Superior Court.

Wednesday Deputy Sheriff Pate arrested Frank Fisher, charged with obtaining money under false pretense.

Snow fell thick and fast Wednesday for a short while in a little area of the northern part of town, though not a flake was seen elsewhere in the city.

Mr. J. D. Gardner, a well-known tobacco buyer of Greenville, and his wife were registered at the Hotel LaFayette Wednesday evening, having been married at Darlington, S. C., Wednesday.

Mr M. McL. Matheson, proprietor of the Hotel LaFayette, is confined to his room, and has been quite sick for the past two nights.

Wednesday night a mule belonging to Marin Gainey, a colored woman living in the northeast suburbs of the town, went wild from some cause, kicked the stable to pieces, jumped out of the wreck, ran to Cross Creek, plunged in, and drowned itself. Was it a case of suicide?

Yesterday was set by County Superintendent McIlryde for "North Carolina Day" in the public schools of Cumberland. Many of the programmes were elaborate and attractive and all of them were entertaining and instructive.

News has been received here of the possible death of Neille Royal, 10 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Royal, independent missionaries in China. The child was playing on the banks of the river at Shanghai, where she was clubbed to death by three Chinamen. Mrs. Royal was, before marriage, Miss Sullivan, of Pelzer, S. C., and Mr. Royal is a native of Sampson county, and a brother of Mrs. Kate Breece, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Leighton Haske have returned from their wedding trip, and are registered at the Hotel LaFayette.—Miss Blanche Smith, of Hastefield, S. C., a graduate nurse of the Highsmith Hospital, who has many friends here, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Weisige on Haymount.

**Endorses The Observer's Comment.**

To the Editor of The Observer:

After reading The Observer's article concerning the Postal's decision in regard to Christmas begging, and also the A. D. T.'s service, the writer wishes to commend the former and endorse what was said of the latter. I also wish to make the suggestion that people in the same boat voluntarily send Mr. Gaffney, the Postal's manager, some contribution to be divided among the ten messenger boys, thus showing their appreciation in a substantial manner of this policy.

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## PRESENTS FOR FIREMEN.

**Greensboro Aldermen Make Generous Donations for Money Gifts to Firemen and Policemen—Christmas Exercises.**

Special to The Observer.

Greensboro, Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the board of aldermen yesterday afternoon, it was decided to give $500 to the members of the volunteer fire department, the amount to be distributed among the firemen in proportion to the number of fires they have attended during the past year. It was also decided to give each of the policemen $5 each, in token of their services.

The Greensboro Lodge of Elks is arranging to give a Christmas dinner to a large number of poor people of the city. The dinner will be given in the basement of the Smith Memorial building. Tickets will be issued, and a number of worthy poor will be given tickets.

Christmas exercises were held in West Market Street church this evening, the services being conducted by the Sunday school of the church. There was a large attendance and an appropriate programme was rendered. Christmas exercises will be held in other city churches during the next few days.

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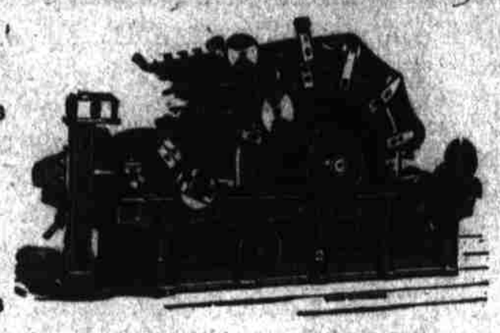

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6:30 a. m. No. 45, daily except Sunday, for Statesville, Taylorsville and local points; connects at Mooresville for Winston-Salem and at Statesville for Hickory, Lenoir, Blowing Rock, Asheville and other points west.

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9:25 a. m. No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Washington and all points North. Pullman drawing room and sleepers to New York and Richmond; day coaches New Orleans to Washington. Dining car service. Connects at Greensboro for Winston-Salem, Raleigh and Goldsboro.

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