VARIETY OF NEWTON NEWS.

New Stores Now Occupied—Merchants Will Organize To-Night—Southern Power Company Will Furnish the Town With Power—Graded School Closes Two Days—Man Charged With Fraud Too Ill to Attend Court.

Special to The Observer.

Newton, Oct. 24.—Messrs. Moose and Hardister have moved into their new stores, and it would be hard to find two handsomer buildings in much larger places. Mr. Moose has had his made to use as a storeroom for handsome vehicles and everything necessary to complete a first-class driving or riding outfit. The room is well lighted and finished in natural pine. Mr. Hardister's room is not so large, as he will use it as a jewelry store. The interior has been fitted up with handsome mountain mahogany show cases, while handsome cherry work desks and cabinets line the walls. In the front is a handsome plate glass show window, rendered more beautiful by the display of articles of a jeweler's craft.

Mr. R. P. Freeze, the popular young druggist, has just had one of his larger show windows closed in on the inneside with mirrors that reflect the fine articles that are to be exhibited there.

Ten thousand dollars' worth of cotton was sold in Newton one day this week and the merchants had their hands almost fuller than they could manage, waiting on their customers.

The farmers have been very busy all week sowing wheat and getting ready to attend court next week.

The merchants of Newton will meet in the court house Friday night for the purpose of forming an organization, having for its object protection against bad-paying customers, and securing a better system of co-operation in the fixing of prices on things they buy and sell.

The Southern Power Company has its poles up to within a mile of Newton and will next week begin work on a house to contain the machinery for distributing power to the manufacturing plants in Newton. The town will take power from this company for the new electric light plant. A house will be built for the new $10,000 outfit that has been ordered. The new system will be a great improvement over the old and will furnish lights all over town.

The cement sidewalk has this week been completed to the athletic grounds of Catawba College, and now there is one continuous walk of this kind from this point to Setzer's store, a distance of a mile and a half from north to south.

The graded school closed to-day and to-morrow in order to allow the teachers to attend the meeting in Asheville of the primary public school teachers. Misses Foard, Bostian, Thornton and Olive Duke left this morning and Professor Cox went up to-night.

Mr. E. H. Curtis, who was indicted for fraudulently using the mails, is threatened with pneumonia and is unable to attend Federal Court in Statesville this week. He is charged with soliciting orders for dogs, chickens and pigeons and receiving checks for which he made no returns. Mr. Curtis' "farm" was advertised as "Favorite Farm" and consisted of a small town lot. No one knew that he was suspected of such dealings until he was arrested by the United States officer last week.

MOUNT AIRY NEWS OF A DAY.

Lack of Vacant Houses Detrimental to the Granite City—Revenue Officer Destroys a Moonshine Still—Surry Man Arrested For Deserting His Sick Wife—Personal Mention.

Special to The Observer.

Mount Airy, Oct. 24.—Vacant houses are not to be found in this place. The demand for houses is something wonderful, notwithstanding new buildings are going up all the time. A few hundred more residences could be rented if people could possibly get them. This scribe has been applied to time after time recently by those who reported that it was impossible to secure a place to poke their heads into. The men who have money and lots should go to work and build more dwellings. Many factory employes live outside the corporate limits because they cannot get a house inside, and this works a hardship on quite a large number of operatives in winter time.

Revenue Officer John Norman, of Surry, destroyed an illicit distillery near Round Peak, in the upper part of this county, a few days ago. One thousand gallons of beer were poured out. No arrests were made.

A. L. Bunker, W. E. Merritt, Harry Galloway and Charles Roberts left Wednesday for a hunting expedition in Marion county, South Carolina. Bears will be scarce in that region for some time to come.

James Galyeau, of Low Gap, Surry county, who moved to this city, has been arrested for desertion. He left his wife in a critical condition and has been brought before the authorities. He gave bond for the maintenance of his wife and was released.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Crevelling left this week for Bloomsburg, Pa., to be present at the marriage of Mrs. Crevelling's sister.—Henry Thomas, of the United States secret service, with headquarters at Charlotte, is in the city visiting relatives and friends.—Dr. and Mrs. Stone have returned from the Jamestown Exposition.—J. T. Higgins left yesterday for his home at Milford, Mass. He has held a position with the North Carolina Granite Corporation of this city for some time as draughtsman.—Mrs. Emma Dearmin, of High Point, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Clark, are visiting relatives in this city.

Whitney's Official Force Strengthened.

Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Oct. 24.—The Whitney Company's official force is strengthened by the addition of Mr. Frederick H. Payne, of New York, who has recently come here from Georgia. His work does not interfere with any local feature of Whitney, but he will attend to the New York side of the business. He has been busy mapping out his work and will have some definite announcement to make soon. Simultaneously with his coming is the story that the company will build its transmission lines by Salisbury. Of course, the main offices will be here, as heretofore announced.

Grand Masonic Rally to Be Held at Burlington.

Special to The Observer.

Burlington, Oct. 24.—A conference was held last night by several Masons, together with the deputy grand master, M. C. S. Noble, in the Mason's lodge here and arrangements were made for a grand Masonic rally of a group of lodges of the eastern portion of the seventeenth district to be held Saturday, November 9th, 1907, with the Beulah lodge of Burlington. Grand Master Francis D. Winston is expected to deliver an address on that occasion. There will be demonstration work, refreshments will be served and a general good time is anticipated.

BUILDING A PARISH HOUSE.

Duke Episcopal Church to Have an Annex—Bank of Harnett Doing a Voluminous Business—Entertainment Benefit Library.

Special to The Observer.

Duke, Oct. 24.—Mr. George A. Nicholson, contractor, has begun work on the parish house for the St. Stephen's Episcopal church. The building is being erected on the church lot and will be of the same construction as the church. When completed it will be used for the Sunday school and for a meeting place for the various church organizations. It will be fitted up with a gymnasium outfit, reading and writing rooms and with games of various kinds for the amusement of the young people.

Saturday night, October 26th, the Broomell-Reed Concert Company will give an entertainment at the auditorium for the benefit of the graded school library. This is one of a series of high-class entertainments that will be given during the winter and will afford the people of Duke and the surrounding country an opportunity of being entertained by some of the finest artists sent out by the Radcliff Lyceum and Chautauqua Bureau, of Richmond, Va. The price of admission has been made very low and those who attend will be more than repaid for their outlay.

The cotton gin of the Erwin Cotton Mills Company is receiving a very liberal patronage and so far has ginned more cotton than at this date last year. The farmers seems to be well pleased with the price received for their cotton and more is being brought to Duke each succeeding year.

Mr. E. P. Davis, cashier of the Bank of Harnett, reports the bank in a most satisfactory condition and that the deposits are as high as at any time in the history of the institution. It would seem that the people of Duke are prospering and laying aside something for a rainy day, as the savings department in about two years has steadily grown and now has $32,000 to the credit of its depositors. The bank pays 4 per cent. on these deposits.

Miss Annie Wetmore, principal of the Duke graded school, left Wednesday morning for Asheville to attend the State Teachers' meeting, where she takes a prominent part on the programme.

MR. FOX AT HIGH POINT.

The Manufacturing City Heartily Endorses His Efforts For Waterways—Site For Another Water Reservoir Purchased—Meeting Comes to a Close.

Special to The Observer.

High Point, Oct. 24.—A large number of the representative business men met Mr. John A. Fox, special director of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, in the Manufacturers' Club last night, who spoke on waterway improvements in general and North Carolina's interests in particular. It was a subject, Mr. Fox said, that concerned the merchant as well as the business man and the manufacturer who had goods to ship or received goods in shipment. The National Rivers and Harbors Congress is composed of the boards of trade and chambers of commerce of cities all over the United States, and is striving to promote such publicity concerning river and harbor improvements and their importance to the country as will lead to large and regular amounts being directed to the work each year until the worthy rivers are able to actually carry our freights as they do in Germany and France and until our harbors have been deepened to a uniform depth to permit the large tonnage vessels. He had been in practically every State in the Union since January 1st regarding this work, and finds the most ready response to his call for endowment and co-operation. His talk was to the point and was fully appreciated by the large number present who are in for anything that will help business in the way of cheaper freights, etc.

The series of meetings which have been in progress at Washington Street M. E. church for the past ten days, being conducted by Rev. Frank Siler, came to a close last night. Much good was accomplished at this meeting and there were several conversions.

The city has purchaed through Mr. A. E. Tate, chairman of the water committee, eleven acres of land adjoining the water plant. This addition will enable the city to give better water and also furnish a site for another reservoir.

A MASQUERADE COTILLION.

Hope Mills Has One and Claims No Longer to Be a Dead Town—Some Effective Costumes Worn.

Special to The Observer.

Hope Mills, Oct. 24.—Hope Mills is no longer to be considered a dead town. A masquerade cotillion was held at the roller rink here last night. Standing room was at a premium a half hour after the doors opened and the large audience without a single exception pronounced it the hit of the season. Such a variety of costumes, so well carried out in detail, has never been seen before in this section of the State. Among the more effective costumes were: Folly, the cigarette girl, night, Red Riding Hood, Japanese girl, queen of hearts, the gypsy girl, the milkmaid and the nurse. Among the gentlemen the following attracted especial attention: The colored mammy, the clown, the textile exhibit, court jester cornfield negro, policeman, farmer, snowman, cowboy, Weary Willie, ghost, two-faced dude and others too numerous to mention. Some of the costumes were extremely elaborate and showed exquisite taste, and all bore evidence of originality and forethought to a marked degree. The textile industry is a detail, industry and, if the careful attention to details evinced in last night's costumes may be taken as evidence, Hope Mills may be considered to have a very proficient body of textile citizens.

Roosevelt Says He Must Get Down to Work.

Special to The Observer.

Spencer, Oct. 24.—Engineer C. P. Gary, of Spencer, while in Monroe, Va., yesterday, had a short conversation with President Roosevelt, who stopped at that place a short time en route to Washington. Mr. Gary shook hands with the President and asked him when he would take a bear hunt near Asheville. Mr. Roosevelt replied that it would be impracticable for him to do so soon, as he must now get down to work; that it is work with him the same as with railroad men, but that he has no eight-hour law to contend with in his pursuits. The President made a fine impression on the North Carolinians who were at Monroe to see him pass.

Death of an Infant at Concord.

Special to The Observer.

Concord, Oct. 24.—Charles Washington Sears, the 18-months-old child of C. H. and Kattie Sears, died yesterday at 4 o'clock. The little body was buried to-day at Cold Water Baptist church, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. C. N. Watson.

SOUTH CAROLINA INDIANS.

Most of Them Mormons—Supported by the State, They Live Indolent Lives.

Chester, S. C., Correspondent Charleston News and Courier.

On an old rocky hill in the northeastern section of York county, live the remnant of the once powerful tribe of Catawba Indians. The reservation, as it is officially known, fronts on Catawba river, and here in this space of about 600 acres these Indians now make their home. Once roaming at will all over the section of country now comprising the Counties of York, Lancaster, Chester, Fairfield and Union, the present condition and habitation of these Indians is only another instance of the result wherever the white man and the Indian have come in contact.

The Catawbas live now much like their fathers lived in days past. It is true that they have adopted the dress of civilization, but the conditions about their reservation remind one very much of the home life of the Indians as described in history. Living in little huts, working a few acres of corn, cotton, and possibly a few other crops, one almost imagines that he has stepped into America along with Raleigh, John Smith or any of the heroes of old. The work is done mostly by women, the men spending their time in fishing, hunting or loafing. Here and there you will see a cabin with a man at work in the fields and where that is the case you can easily see signs of thrift and energy in the way the buildings and crops appear. But the work is done for the greater part by the women.

Where a man cuts down the trees and builds a cabin that is his so long as he lives there. No one will encroach on his right and the nation recognizes him as the owner of that particular spot. The Indians have a system whereby one party can sell his house to another and usually money is the medium of exchange. Of course this does not give the purchaser title to the land as recognized by the laws of South Carolina, but the purely local customs that prevail among the Indians allow this and recognize the purchaser as the owner. The patches that are worked in connection with the home are also the property of the one who has the house.

The reservation is well watered. Being so close to the river there are numerous branches and steep hills. It has the appearance of foothills closer to the mountains. You will find a cabin on one hill, then a branch and after climbing another hill you will possibly find several residences in a group. One thing that will strike the visitor is the dense undergrowth that is found all over the nation. The whole tract, with the exception of the little patches, is covered with a thick undergrowth that renders objects invisible until they are close at hand. The cattle run at large and it is a matter of catching them if one is bought and the buyer wants it at once.

Entering further into the reservation by what is known as Indian Ferry road, there being a ferry on the river at the nation, the first thing that attracts the attention of the visitor is a small cabin setting a little to the right of the road and surrounded by dense undergrowth. On coming closer the cabin is found to be a dwelling place for an Indian and his family. It is a common custom to see the family all sitting around under the trees in chairs or on benches, the children playing, the men whittling away at a stick or working with a gun and the women making pottery. The Indian women are skilful with their hands and can make pottery that brings a good price. They make pipes, bowls and all such articles out of clay.

Continuing on this same road and not far from the first cabin stands the schoolhouse as the next object that will attract the attention of the visitor. The schoolhouse is a one-room structure with a bell tower, and is built like the schoolhouses usually found in the rural districts of South Carolina. Here the little Indians are taught for a few months every year, usually by a white teacher paid by the State of South Carolina, $200 being appropriated for this purpose every year and placed in the hands of the Indian Commissioner.

Passing the schoolhouse the visitor comes to the church that is about the same size and fashion of the schoolhouse. Here the Indians hold their religious exercises after the fashion of the Mormons, the majority of them professing that faith. There are among the Indians forty-five Mormons, seven Presbyterians and one Methodist. The Mormons hold their meetings every Sunday, and at stated times every year some Mormon elders will visit the reservation and hold a meeting.

The Indians have a system of government on the reservation fashioned on democratic principles. There is a head chief, a second chief and two other members of the council. These are elected at stated intervals by the Indians. The duties of these local officials are merely theoretical and hence the honor is almost an empty one. The real head man of the Indians is the commissioner appointed by the Governor. He handles the money that is appropriated each year by the Legislature for the support of the Indians and divides it among them.

The Indians receive an annual appropriation from the State, this money being in the hands of a commissioner appointed by the Governor. The money is divided by giving each one the same amount. This makes a larger family get more than a smaller one, and so the father of the larger family is richer than one of the smaller family. The State is bound to support the Indians according to a treaty made between them and the officials of the State about the year 1840. At that time the Indian reservation contained forty-five square miles and the Indians are now pressing the State for a final settlement. That is, they want the State to pay them so much and then no more appriation would have to be made.

SIMPLE TALE OF HEROISM.

How One New York Policeman Upheld the Majesty of the Law.

Julius Chambers in Brooklyn Eagle.

Not since the time of Recorder Hackett has any man in high authority hereabouts made such a spectacle of himself as did Commissioner Bingham yesterday morning.

Here is a young man whose experience in dealing with the complicated problems of the police department has extended over a little more than a year. Prior to that time he had been a recipient of the bounty of the government in the shape of an army officer. It is a sad thing that Commissioner Bingham hasn't a little poise. He could lead a regiment in a forlorn hope. I haven't a doubt; but he has not the capacity to recognize the natural protest that a New York police officer desires to make, after thirty-seven years' faithful service. Of course, a policeman is not a soldier. But, let me tell Commissioner Bingham, with thirty years' experience in all branches of news gathering in this big city, that the average policeman confronts mortal danger a score of times during every ten years' service to one that the West Point officer does!

Never shall I forget the plain, unemotional report made by a policeman in the Mercer street station who had arrested a murderer in one of the saloons in that neighborhood. That happened to be a night at police headquarters for me, and about 1 o'clock in the morning a messenger ran in to say that there had been a murder in a saloon in the immediate vicinity. The bunch of us got there in less time than is taken in writing down the fact. There we found a single policeman, standing over a burly chap who lay prone upon the floor. He was semi-conscious, but the crowd that surrounded the single policeman was menacing and dangerous. In the back room of the boozing den lay a dead man. He wasn't of any importance. His death didn't matter; but there, in our presence, stood the representative of the law in all majesty! Never saw I a more calm, dignified figure. I cannot recall the hero's name. When assistance arrived and handcuffs had been placed upon the murderer, I asked the pale, resolute officer what had happened, and this is absolutely all he said:

"I happened to be going past the door of this place on my beat when I heard a pistol shot. I pushed open the door and entered. As I passed down this room, the man I have here came from the back room, with a smoking revolver in his hand. I ordered him to stop. In reply he pushed the gun in my face and pulled the trigger. I thought of the wife and the two babies that was all. He pulled the trigger, but the cartridge didn't explode. If it had, there would not be anything from me on the subject. Before he could recock the weapon, I struck him with my club, and you know the rest of the story."

Did you ever hear an army officer tell a tale of heroism more modestly? Not I.

To my way of thinking the courage of such an act, even in a humble and unrecognized line of duty, far excels that of Napoleon at the Bridge of Lodi or Dessaix at Marengo.

Short Items From Stanley.

Special to The Observer.

Stanley, Oct. 24.—The high school under the direction of Prof. N. R. Claytor, of Chapel Hill, is progressing nicely with an enrollment of 125 students. Miss Pattie Cline, of Conover, the primary teacher of the school, is in Asheville, attending the meeting of primary teachers of the State.

A number of Stanley's citizens are attending the Mecklenburg Fair.

Dr. M. C. Hunter, of Huntersville, is in town on professional business.

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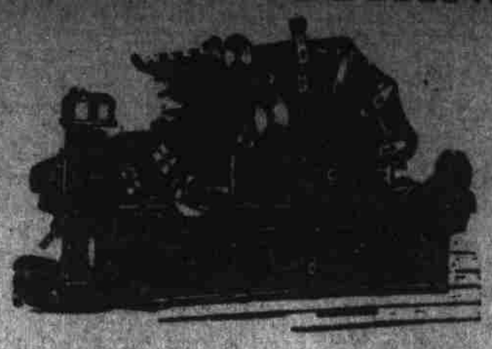

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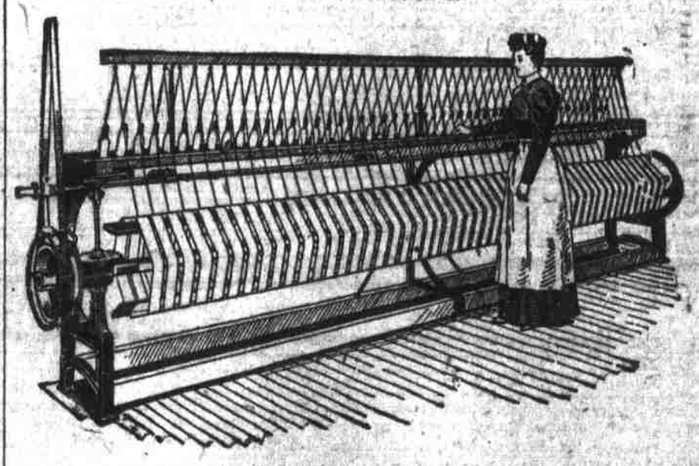

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