

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Stephens Carrick, of High Point, will return to her home in High Point this evening after a visit of a few days at the home of Mrs. J. D. McCall.

Cards reading as follows have been received in the city: Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Johnson request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Kate Kendall, to Mr. John W. Brown, Tuesday, April seventh, nineteen hundred and eight, high noon, at their residence, Warrenton, North Carolina.

Among the tourist-visitors at the Selwyn yesterday were Mrs. A. D. Parks, of New Orleans, and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Briggs, of Boston.

Miss Isabel Eeal leaves to-morrow for Lexington to visit her sister, Mrs. H. H. Springs, after which she will go to Raleigh to spend some time with her brother, Mr. Jackson Beall.

Mrs. Frost Torrence, of Gastonia, is visiting at the home of Mrs. John S. Blake on East Ninth street.

There will be a union meeting of the women of the several Methodist churches of the city at Trinity church this afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of hearing reports from the annual meeting of the Home Mission Society recently held at Winston-Salem, and also to make plans for co-operation during the special services to be held in Tryon Street church.

FOR A WAR ON WAR.

Mr. Hayne Davis, President of the North Carolina Peace Society, a Visitor—His Mission.

Mr. Hayne Davis, president of the North Carolina Peace Society, has extended to a number of Charlotte representative citizens an invitation to visit Washington next Thursday as members of a delegation which will visit the President to attend and address the approaching North Carolina Arbitration and Peace Congress, which will be held some time in May or June.

Mr. Davis is a grandson of Chief Justice Taft, and is engaged in the practice of the law in New York. He has been renewing old associations while organizing this peace congress. Mr. Davis commented on the fact that Capt. E. Hayne Davis was sent to Charlotte to recruit for the war, and Capt. Richmond P. Davis to recruit for the Spanish war. He added that he was glad to follow in the footsteps of his father and brother to recruit for the war on war, being convinced that law can take the place of war as a means of justice, as soon as a proper opinion can be formed and solidified.

The approaching congress is being organized as the opening gun in a national campaign that will continue until the third Hague conference is over, similar congresses to occur in other States at convenient intervals and so organized as to form an effective sentiment for the things that must precede permanent peace among the powers. In this way the present danger of war will be reduced and in time, law, duly declared and administered in the international domain, will take the place of war.

THE WHITE PIGEON LOST.

Mysterious Bird Mistakes Southern For C. & N. W. Train at Hickory and Wanders Away So the Story Goes—A Strange Tale.

Visitors in the city from Hickory and beyond tell strange tales of the mysterious white pigeon which for three weeks accompanied the C. & N. W. trains from Lenoir to Hickory and back again, sometimes going ahead, frequently trailing behind and oftentimes flapping its beautiful tapering wings within a few feet of the coach windows so much so that passengers within, if so minded, might easily reach out and lay hold of it as it industriously kept pace with the moving train.

This however, is ancient history for the bird's uncanny conduct has been mentioned on several occasions previously, much speculation being indulged in as to what it portended, some saying one thing and some another. But the bird has disappeared. It is no longer to be seen going ahead of a C. & N. W. train, flying between the tracks nor trailing along behind as if to guard the rear. The spell, whether for good or evil, has been broken.

Line Service at Ninth Avenue Baptist Church.

A very successful service was held yesterday afternoon at Ninth Avenue Baptist church, the occasion being rally day. The attendance was far above the average, being about 400. The programme consisted of songs and recitations. A class of 10 children graduates from the primary department to the intermediate class. Mr. Thaddeus A. Adams made an earnest and interesting speech, contending that the future progress of the city must be worked out along moral and not economical lines. He urged temperance and abstemiousness from tobacco and cigarettes.

False Alarm From Box 213.

The ringing in of an alarm from box 213, one of the new ones located at the corner of East Second and South Brevard, confused the older inhabitants about 9:15 last night, some of whom tried to figure it out as coming in from two boxes. Both departments responded, but the alarm proved to be false, the cause of the trouble having taken to his heels to good purpose.

Well-Known Woman Arrested.

Mamie McGhee, alias Deherodora, alias Hubbard, was arrested last night on the charge of vagrancy. She was released on her own recognizance, to appear for trial to-morrow morning. She is a well-known character about town, where she has lived all her life. She is addicted to the use of dope, but is harmless. She lives at the rock quarry.

THEY ALWAYS PLEASE.

No matter what kind you've been using, Dr. Ribben Lenoir and Vanilla will please you better.

BRIEFS.

A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City.

Mrs. N. B. Vincent continues quite ill at her home on East Eighth street. Mr. Jenks J. Hutchinson, who was painfully injured in a runaway last Thursday, is still confined to his room, but is coming along nicely.

Work is progressing rapidly on the cement paving in Dilworth and will doubtless be finished on contract time provided no protracted spell of inclement weather intervenes.

A meeting of the Mecklenburg division of the Southern Cotton Association will be held in the court house Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Acreage reduction and other matters will be discussed.

The walls of the new Sanitary Laundry building in Dilworth are up and the interior work will shortly be commenced. The house when finished will be an exceedingly neat and well-arranged one.

Mr. D. A. Tedder and family have returned to Charlotte to live. Mr. Tedder formerly practiced law here and is quite well known. His friends will be glad to learn that he has returned to the city to become again a permanent resident.

Mr. F. W. Frund, of the Salisbury-Spencer Street Railway Company, spent a day in the city last week on business. He stated that a connection with the Southern Power Company lines would be made probably within the next 60 days.

The recorder's court this morning will be of moderate size, the drag net having brought in fair returns. The case of the fight between the ex-prisoner-lecturer, A. L. George and W. C. Owens, which took place Saturday afternoon, is scheduled to come up.

Mr. F. E. McNinch leaves this morning for Mocksville, where he will appear as counsel for the defense of James Lang, who is charged with breaking into the Bank of Davis about five years ago. The case comes up to-day in Davis Superior Court.

The engineers in charge of the new H.C.'s power plant in Dilworth are beginning to connect up the massive machinery; one set having been put in operation last week. The rest will be in operation in shape and tried-out as rapidly as possible.

The curtailment of production by the mills and factories throughout this section has thrown hundreds of people out of employment. Mill managers say that applicants for jobs are being received daily by the score. Many are returning to the farms.

The indications are that the fruit crop this summer will be the largest in years. The recent cold spell had no effect other than to promote the growth of vegetation, no harm whatever being done. The prospects for a splendid peach and apple crop were never better.

The board of public service will meet this afternoon to decide on the matter of a viaduct or subway for East Trade street. Any decision will, of course, have to have the approval of the aldermen and the finance committee. Reports will be heard from those who want to inspect the viaduct there.

There will be a meeting of the board of public service at the city hall this afternoon to hear reports from City Engineer Firth and Mr. A. H. Washburn, Mr. E. P. Caldwell, of Lincoln, to inspect the L. & N. viaduct there. The East Trade street proposition will be discussed at length and probably settled.

PERSONAL.

The Movements of a Number of People, Visitors and Others.

Mr. J. R. French, of Statesville, spent last night in the city, stopping at the Selwyn.

Mr. H. A. Williams, of Columbia, S. C., a well-known railroad man, is spending to-day in the city.

Mr. P. H. Sellers, of Greenville, S. C., was registered last night among the guests at the Selwyn.

Mr. J. E. Laney, of Greensboro, was a Charlotte visitor last night.

Mr. E. T. Cannon, of Concord, was a Charlotte visitor last night.

Mr. P. C. Brunson has returned from a business visit to New York.

Mr. Charles McDonald, of Raleigh, is spending several days in the city, stopping at the Selwyn.

Mr. J. Lee Sloan, Jr., of Davidson, spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. Wilkins Coyer, of Greenville, S. C., was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Mr. R. B. Bacon, of Washington, was registered among the guests at the Selwyn yesterday.

Mr. G. J. Falls, superintendent of the Charlotte division of the Southern, with offices in Greenville, S. C., is in the city to-day on business connected with the East Trade viaduct-subway proposition.

Mr. E. P. Caldwell, of Lincoln, is spending yesterday in the city, stopping at the Selwyn.

Mr. J. L. Armfield, of Thomasville, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. M. Robertson, a well-known citizen of Augusta, Ga., spent yesterday in the city, stopping at the Selwyn.

Mr. J. E. Summey, of Salisbury, was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Mr. William B. Strover, of Greensboro, was a visitor in the city for a few hours yesterday.

LET'S HAVE A VIADUCT.

A Subway Would Be Unsanitary and Would Injure Property—Whole City Would Rejoice at the Removal of the Grade Crossing.

To the Editor of The Observer: There may be delay in making some change at East Trade street and the railroad crossing because of the city's finances, but no one will deny that the present congestion is both inconvenient and dangerous and that in time something is obliged to be done. The subway suggested will be unsightly and so injurious to contiguous property as to involve the city in damage suits; the viaduct will look better and injure less the business sites adjacent for the buildings could be carried higher and would be well lighted and probably handsomer than before. But it would mean the lowering of tracks for several blocks, thereby changing other streets and inconveniencing the railroads in the approaches to their yards. It seems to me that the best way to relieve this beautiful thoroughfare of all obstruction and at the same time interfere little with property and trade, is to have the city purchase the Seaboard freight depot and the right of way of both roads and then prohibit a railroad from crossing the street at all. The Seaboard has abundant space for buildings and yards on the north side. The Southern has its present approach to its freight depot and compress via South Tryon street. Exchange of freight could follow tracks already owned by these roads around the city.

A consideration of what the railroads would be saved in expenses from either subway or viaduct would suggest a reasonable price for the depot and right of way. Property could be sold for business purposes; the street car company and property owners might be willing to contribute something to get an unobstructed street. Business would surely follow and property values be increased from College to Brevard. In time, handsome buildings would replace the present unattractive ones along this territory, and all property towards Elizabeth and Piedmont would find ready buyers. When once the dirty, dilapidated and annoying railroad is removed, the whole city will rejoice.

JOHN VAN LANDINGHAM.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN KIRK.

Aged Citizen of Mallard Creek Township Passes Away—Was 93 Years Old—One of a Noble Band.

Mr. John Kirk, one of the oldest and most respected citizens in the county, died at his home in Mallard Creek township, Saturday night at 9 o'clock, after a long illness. Mr. Kirk was 93 years of age and in his day was one of the best known men in this section of the State. He leaves two sons and two daughters, namely, Messrs. James C. and A. S. Kirk and Misses Margaret and Zenona Kirk. The funeral was conducted from the home yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock and the interment was made in the cemetery joining the Mallard Creek Presbyterian church. Rev. J. E. Summers, the pastor, had charge of the service.

Mr. Kirk was one of a band of noble men who labored in Mallard Creek and adjoining townships for many years. The number included Rev. Mr. McLaughlin who died several years ago at a ripe old age, after a service in the cause of his Master for more than a half-century. Mr. Kirk was an elder in Mallard Creek Presbyterian church for more than 50 years, being elevated to that office at the same time that Mr. Harvey Garrison was elevated to the same position. Mr. Kirk is still living, although at the extreme age of 93 years. The death of Mr. Kirk removes from Mallard Creek one of its most estimable and honored citizens.

BRUSHES.

Our showing of Brushes is surprising. Until you looked it over you wouldn't suppose there were so many different kinds of brushes for the same purpose or so many similar brushes for different purposes. Shaving Brushes, Hair, Tooth, Polish, Nail, Cloth, Hat, Bath-long handles, crooked handles, short handles, straight handles; fine bristles, coarse bristles, stiff colored bristles, white bristles, bristles adapted in through the wood and bristles wired in, wood backs, rubber backs and metal backs. Come and see them all; you'll enjoy looking over the collection and you'll find exactly what you want. We will take great pleasure in showing them to you, whether you are fully decided to buy or not. We enjoy showing our brushes anyway. They are on display to-day. Take a look at them. It's an opportunity not to be passed. We want you to come to see us every day. We want you to get it at

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