IN THE REALM OF NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

RALEIGH.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Raleigh, Sept. 10.—One of the most delightful social events of the week in Raleigh was a reception Monday evening from 9 to 11 o'clock by Mrs. Thomas B. Womack in honor of Misses Madge and Jenks Johnson, of Rock Hill, S. C. Mrs. Womack, who came to Raleigh as a bride only a short time ago, is greatly admired in Raleigh's social circles for her charming personality. This was her first reception and every one was charmed with her as a hostess. The special decorations for the reception were beautiful and in perfect taste. The guests were met as they arrived by Miss Irene Lacy and Mr. W. H. Pace. They were presented in the drawing room by Miss Lula McDonald and Mr. William Boylan, Jr. In the receiving line were Judge and Mrs. Womack and the Misses Johnson, the guests of honor, who are visiting Mrs. Womack. Serving in the punch room were Misses Hal Morson, Ellen Durham and Messrs. A. L. Cox and J. C. Allison. In charge in the dining room were Miss Lillie Skinner, Mr. Val Perkins, Miss Lillie Ferrell, Mr. Gregg Cannon, the service of refreshments being by Misses Essie Baker, Ann McKimmon, Elizabeth Thompson and Anna Strong.

Tuesday and Wednesday nights the people of Raleigh greatly enjoyed the presentation of the popular extravaganza "Slumberland," as presented by a big company of amateur talent, the affair being for the benefit of the Old Ladies' Home, maintained by St. Luke's Circle, King's Daughters. It was one of the best presented amateur attractions Raleigh has enjoyed in a long while, and a goodly sum was netted for the Old Ladies' Home. Notable among the participants were Miss Mary Ray, Miss Bettie Russ, Miss Kathleen Sherwood, Mrs. Samuel Young, Miss Annie Rogers, Miss Emma Jones, Dr. W. C. Horton, Dr. C. O. Abernathy, Mr. Walter Durham, Mr. Will Heller and Mr. O. H. Alford.

The Raleigh Philharmonic Orchestra, which, in connection with the Raleigh Choral Society, gave the most brilliant music festival in the history of Raleigh, was reorganized for the coming season Wednesday night with Prof. Gustaf Hagedorn as director, and rehearsals will be held regularly at the Baptist University. The work of the Raleigh Choral Society will also be resumed very soon under the direction of Prof. Wade R. Brown, music director of the Baptist University. This organization comprises more than one hundred of the most talented vocalists in the city.

There was a pretty home wedding Tuesday at the home of the bride's parents when Miss Effie Lillian Davis became the bride of Mr. R. E. Williams, the ceremony being performed by Rev. L. B. Jones, pastor of Central Methodist church. Miss Edna Powell attended the bride as maid of honor and Mr. Floyd Hackney was best man. The bride and bridegroom are popular young people of this city.

Next Thursday in the First Baptist church, this city, there will be the marriage of Miss Bessie L. Goodno and Mr. William R. Kennette, conductor on the Seaboard Air Line, Raleigh to Richmond. The ceremony will be at 3:45 o'clock. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Charles Goodno, of this city.

Friday night at the Johnson Memorial chapel Miss Mattie Crawford, daughter of Mrs. N. H. Crawford, became the bride of Mr. J. W. Parrish, the ceremony being performed by Rev. R. S. Stevenson. Miss Mary Britt was maid of honor and Mr. E. E. Lee best man.

Friday the people of Raleigh were surprised to learn of the marriage of Mr. Harry Pool, of this city, and Miss Mary Allen, of Neuse, near Raleigh. The ceremony took place secretly at the residence of Rev. R. S. Stevenson in this city. They have now gone for a wedding trip North.

Miss Sadee W. Robbins was the hostess Thursday evening for a delightful little party in honor of her guest, Miss Evelyn Wood, of Jacksonville, Fla. The principal entertainment was progressive hearts. In the decorations and in the refreshments served the color scheme was pink and white.

The Raleigh Women's Christian Temperance Union met Thursday evening with Mrs. Swindell for the first time since early summer and considered the matter of delegates to the State convention to be held in Reidsville, October 7th to 11th, but deferred final appointments until it can be ascertained just who can go. The union declared its purpose to strive for an effective enforcement of the prohibition law hereabouts.

The Johnston-Pettigrew Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, reorganized for the coming season Wednesday in a meeting at the Soldiers' Home, Mrs. Josephus Daniels being president. The chapter is planning most interesting special efforts for the next few months, announcements to be made later.

Miss Mary Pruden has gone to Henderson for a visit before returning to her home in Edenton. She was the guest of Mrs. Charles Root while here the past week.—Rt. Rev. James Blount Cheshire, bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, and Mrs. Cheshire have returned from England after attending the Anglican convention and Lambert conference.—Miss Mattie Shaw, of Shawboro, is here, the guest of Mrs. Gaston P. Folk.—Mrs. R. B. Glenn and Miss Rebekah Glenn are spending some time at Atlantic City. They are accompanied by Miss Jean Glenn, niece and ward of Governor Glenn.—Rev. I. McK. Pittinger, D. D., rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, has returned from Connecticut, where he spent several weeks on the shore of Long Island sound. He was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Leigh Skinner, and son, Mr. Paul Pittinger.—Dr. Norwood G. Carroll and wife, Dr. Delia Dixon-Carroll, are at home again after a stay in Baltimore and at Atlantic City.—Miss Belle Andrews is at home again after visiting her sister, Mrs. Person in Baltimore.—Mrs. E. C. Duncan has returned from a stay of several weeks in the mountains of western Carolina.—Miss Christine Busbee has gone to South Orange, N. J., where she will spend the winter teaching.—Miss Flora Creech left this week for Asheville, where she will spend several days and then join a party for a trip across the continent.—Mrs. Leo D. Heartt is in Durham for a week with her daughters, Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Bryant.

WINSTON-SALEM

Correspondence of The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 10.—Mrs. James A. Gray entertained most charmingly Wednesday afternoon at her lovely home on Cherry street in honor of Mrs. Bowman Gray, of Baltimore, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Gray for several weeks. Progressive dominoes was the feature of the afternoon. The highest score was by Miss Mary Lybrook, who was given the first prize. The second prize was won by Miss Erma Bailey and the third by Mrs. E. F. Gunn, of Orange, N. J. Mrs. Gray was assisted by Mesdames R. F. Gray, Watt Martin and A. H. Galloway.

A most enjoyable evening was spent Tuesday when Mrs. R. D. Jewett entertained in honor of her guest, Mrs. Lottie Gilmore, of Rhode Island; Mrs. Smith Williams, of Panther Creek, and Miss E. F. Henry, of South Carolina. The invited guests were the members of Sorosis, Mrs. Jewett's book club, an organization of which she was a charter member. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Frank Martin. The colors, white and blue, were tastefully used in the parlor, where Dr. and Mrs. Jewett were assisted in receiving by the honor guests, Mrs. Gilmore and Miss Henry, also the officers of the Sorosis, Miss Adelaide Fries, Mrs. Garland Webb, Mrs. W. J. Conrad and Miss Minnie Collier. In the dining room Misses Mabel Ireland, Willie Edmunds, Charlotte Webb, Carroll Coleman, Eleanor Fries and Louise Bahnson served delicious refreshments. A charming feature of the evening was the lovely vocal music rendered by Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. T. F. Sprinkle and Mr. Joe Newton, and the instrumental numbers given by Misses Mary Critz, Louise Bahnson and Vivian Owens.

Mrs. T. S. Sprinkle entertained Wednesday afternoon at her attractive studio a number of her pupils, former pupils and patrons. Misses Mary Cromer, Kate Jenkins and guest, Miss Bessie Steere, of Charlotte, greeted the guests in the hall. Receiving with Mrs. Sprinkle were Mrs. W. L. Terrell, Miss Mary Medearis and Miss Sallie Ogburn. A very attractive musical programme had been arranged and was greatly enjoyed by the guests.

HICKORY.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Hickory, Sept. 10.—No surer sign of the approach of autumn can be found than the awakening to activity among the club women. The various book clubs have been busy for the past few weeks, making selections from recent publications. The only list at hand is the one made by the Round Dozen Book Club, which is as follows: "The Ancient Law," Glasgow; "The Husbands of Edith," McCutcheon; "Mr. Crewe's Career," Churchill; "The Firing Line," Chambers; "The Testing of Diana Mallory," Ward; "The Duke's Motto," MacCarthy; "The Post Girl," Booth; "The Vigil," Begbie; "The Dawn of a To-morrow," Burnett; "Fennel and Rue," Howells; "Somehow Good," De Morgan; "The Simple Case of Susan," Futrelle; "Bud," and "The Halfway House," Hewlett.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hufham have purchased the handsome residence on Fifteenth avenue built by Rev. W. P. Cline, and have moved into it this week.—Mr. Hugh D'Anna, who has been with the DuPont Powder Company, at Woodbury, N. J., arrived here yesterday and will enter Lenoir College.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Geitner left Thursday for a two weeks' visit North.—Messrs. Orin Sigmon, Carroll Bost, Durward Abernethy and Dick Thomason left last week to enter the A. and M. College in Raleigh.—Miss Hazel Elliott left Wednesday for Charlotte, where she enters the Presbyterian College.—Mr. and Mrs. D. McIver of Ocala, Fla., are visiting friends here. Mrs. McIver was formerly Miss Justina McIntosh, of this place, and was very popular in social and musical circles.—Mrs. S. P. Withers of Virginia, is visiting Mrs. E. B. Jones on Ninth avenue.

Mr. C. C. Moore, of The Charlotte Observer, was in Hickory several days this week. In a pleasant conversation with him about that paper it was brought out that he is endeavoring to place The Observer in the homes of the people to be read there by the wives and daughters, as well as in the offices and places of business, where it is almost universally read and enjoyed by the husbands and sons. Why it should be considered fitting and proper for a man to read and know the news of the day, and of no importance for a woman to be so informed, is one of the things past understanding. The writer ventured to say that in a woman's club where current news is given, she could lay her finger upon every member who reads The Observer—so well do they keep in touch with the events of the day.

LEAKSVILLE.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Leaksville, Sept. 10.—Monday evening Miss Iola Sweaney gave a most delightful boat-ride on Lake Come Across at Spray in honor of the Misses King's house party, Misses Ettie and Evelyn Aydlett, Margaret Taylor and Katharine Futrell. About sixty guests were fortunate enough to receive invitations to this, one of the most enjoyable affairs of the summer. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. Sweaney and Dr. Mebane chaperoned the party. Across the moonlit waters floated the cheery voices of those who made merry on this occasion, and "past regrets and future fears" were unknown. "The moonlight was a pleasing fever, the stars were ciphers, the flowers were letters and the air was coined into song," and the boats "just built for two," were much in demand, as were the swings and the seesaws, and the mineral spring hard by was a popular resort. Later on, delightful refreshments were served. Miss Sweaney was a charming hostess and dispensed happiness wherever she wandered, and the occasion will be a bright spot on this "checkerboard of nights and days."

Tuesday evening the young men gave an enjoyable dance to Misses Ettie and Evelyn Aydlett, at the home of Doctor Mebane, where the polished floor and the fine music made one feel that he was floating in a happy dream. The night was dedicated to joy and none in all that bevy had brought with her one care abroad. Refreshing potations were quaffed throughout the evening, and later an elegant collation was served.

Wednesday evening Polk Miller with his quartette was heard with pleasure at the institute auditorium.

Mrs. Flynn entertained Thursday afternoon the History Club, and an interesting programme was rendered, and the afternoon was successful as usual with this charming hostess.

Thursday evening Col. B. K. Terry entertained a select party in honor of the Misses King's house party; and the colonel, who had just arisen from an illness, was in good trim and was enthusiastically greeted by his many friends who ever delight to visit his hospitable bachelor home in the meadows. The place, the hour, the man, conspired to imprint upon the memory of each a lasting impression. The moonlight drive with a congenial spirit when all else was forgotten under the magic spell, was no small feature of the evening, and the "fervent rose-cheeked hours" sped by on fleet wings. Mr. and Mrs. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. McAlister, chaperoned the party. Hearty were the guests in their expressions of appreciation and pleasure of the occasion.

DURHAM.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Durham, Sept. 10.—At the home of the bride's parents Tuesday evening Miss Margaret Emma Brown was given in marriage to Mr. Elmer H. Dinkelbihler. The home was prettily decorated for the wedding, which was a very quiet one, few knowing anything about it 'till the license was issued. It is not known where Mr. and Mrs. Dinkelbrihler will live, as the groom's home is in Missouri. He is a traveling salesman and makes Durham his headquarters, so it is supposed when they return from their tour they will live here for awhile anyway.

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Wharton, missionaries to Cuba, who have been visiting in Durham and this State, have left for home. Rev. Mr. Wharton is a missionary to Cuba for the Southern Presbyterian Church, and Durham is particularly interested in him and his wife as they are really Durhanites. Mr. Wharton was at one time a member of the faculty of the city school and his wife was Miss Annie Ramsey, daughter of the late Capt. N. A. Ramsey. They came home on a furlough from work in order to visit friends here and at other places. It is Mrs. Wharton's first visit since the death of her father.

Misses Katie and Mary Johnson, daughters of Dr. N. M. Johnson, who have been sightseeing in New York and other points, have returned, they were accompanied by their cousin, Blackwell Markham, who is a teacher in the metropolis.—Mrs. Octa D. Thomas, Miss Kate Durham and Miss Pearl Harward have returned from a trip to Baltimore. Mrs. Thomas went to New York.—Ten people from here left las week on the trip got up by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gattis. These are Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Moore, Miss Mattie Booth, Miss H. L. Adkinson, Miss Josephine Maynor, Mrs. J. W. Allen, Miss Lina Washington Cruso; Messrs. H. E. Seaman, T. E. Allen and E. C. Parrish.—Miss Kate Herndon, who has for some time been in Richmond at a house party, has returned.—Miss Jean Venable has returned from Graham, where she was a member of the house patry given by Miss Ione Scott.——Mr. and Mrs. George L. Lyon are at home again from Asheville, where Mrs. Lyon and children spent the summer.—Mrs. P. W. Vaughan and daughter, Miss Lida Carr and Annie Louise, have returned from their summer trip to the mountains in the western part of the State.

Mrs. Robert L. Felts, charmingly entertained Friday afternoon, of last week from 5 to 6 in honor of her guests, Mrs. P. H. Cooke and Mrs. B. A. Betts, at her home on Mangum street. The hall was beautifully decorated for the tea party with palms and ferns, while each of the rooms was done in an individual color scheme. The parlor was in lavender and white, which was beautiful; the dining room in crimson, which was as bright and pretty as could be; the hall in green, which is always refreshing. Those receiving in the different rooms were gowned according to the color. Mrs. Archibald Cheatham welcomed the guests in the hall, assisted by little Miss Louise Cook, who in her dainty little white dress very prettily and gracefully received the cards at the door. Miss Kearney presided at the punch bowl. In the dining room Mrs. oseph Graham and Mrs. B. U. Booker received, assisted by Miss Genevia Cheatham, Miss Fannie Markham and Miss Carelyn Kearney, who served the refreshments which harmonized in color with the crimson decorations of the dining room.

Prof. and Mrs. Robert L. Flowers at their beautiful home at Trinity Park entertained at dinner last week in honor of Judge E. B. Jones, who was holding Durham court. The table was a most beautiful sight, to say nothing of the many elegant things that were served. The party was composed mostly of Trinity people and more especially of law students. It was a delightful tribute to the jurist. Those present were: Wr. John C. Kilgo, Dean S. F. Mordecai, Dr. W. P. Few, Mr. R. Percy Reade, Prof. A. C. McIntosh, Col. G. W. Flowers.

Mrs. James A. Robinson was hostess at a large bowling party Friday morning of last week, from 10:30 until 12, at Lakewood Park. There were several interesting and exciting games after which trophies were awarded, Mrs. J. C. Biggs receiving a pretty water-colored landscape for the highest score. Everybody had one roll for the consolation and Mrs. J. S. Cobb, making a strike, won a dainty piece of china. Those present were: Mrs. J. H. Erwin, Mrs. J. C. Biggs, Mrs. William H. Branson, Mrs. Joe Graham, Mrs. Paul C. Graham, Mrs. Julia Sasser, Mrs. I. N. Carr, Mrs. J. E. Stagg, Mrs. George A. Carr, Mrs. Paul Taylor, Mrs. George Frappe, Miss Will Hundley, Mrs. J. T. Rose, Mrs. W. B. LaFar, Mrs. L. Ed Cheek, Mrs. W. D. Carmichael, Mrs. Lizzie Jones, Mrs. W. M. Fallon, Mrs. William Guthrie, Mrs. Edward C. Murray, Mrs. B. U. Brooks, Mrs. C. W. Toms, Mrs. W. J. Griswold, Mrs. J. C. Michie, Mrs. W. L. Wall, Mrs. Alphonsus Cobb, Mrs. Frank L. Fuller, Mrs. A. Cheatham, Mrs. Julius Duncan, Mrs. J. S. Manning, Mrs. J. S. Cobb, Mrs. T. M. Gorman, Mrs. Lewis O. Jones and Mrs. Walter Hale.

A delightful course of ice cream and cake was served after the games were finished.

Friday evening of last week Judge Robert W. Winston gave a dinner party in honor of Judge E. B. Jones. A few friends at the bar were present and a delightfully informal affair it was. Judge Jones received the town's tributes in his first visit here and found a city of delightful entertainment.

The following card has been received by the friends of the couple. They are both Durhamites and their wedding will be a matter of general interest:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Whitaker
request the honor of your presence at
the marriage of their daughter
Bessie Dixon
to
Mr. Arthur Vance Cole
on Wednesday evening the sixteenth
of September
at nine-thirty o'clock
one hundred and thirteen Broadway
street,
Durham, North Carolina.

The family of Mr. George W. Watts, including his daughter, Mrs. J. S. Hill, and Mrs. Hill's children, have returned to the city from Asheville. They spent eight weeks in that beautiful country, in enjoyment of its delightful climate and returned greatly refreshed and rested.

Misses Bessie and Margaret Erwin at their beautiful home, "Hillcrest," in West Durham, entertained last Saturday night in honor of Miss Corrina Gant and her three brothers, of Burlington. The home, already very beautiful, was still more beautiful with flowers and lights. Eucre was played to the delight of the young people, who are too full of fun and chatter to take any time in playing a "thinking" game. After spending some hours in this delightful manner, a course luncheon was served, after which the guests bade their hostess good-night.

Those present were: Miss Corrina Gant, Miss Madge Mersshon, Miss Rebecca Michie, Miss Anna Branson, Miss Jean Venadle, Miss Placide Kramer, Miss Bessie Erwin, Miss Gertrude Winston and Miss Margret Erwin; the Messrs. Gant, Tom Worth, Frank Webb, R. H. Lewis, Jr., Will Minor, John Hall Manning, Orin Lloyd and Mr. Lawson.

This wedding card, issued Wesdesday, will interest Durham people:

Mr. and Mrs. Leonidas James
request the honor of your presence at
the marriage of their daughter
Maude Estelle
to
Mr. Samuel Excell Lindsay
on Wednesday afternoon, September
the sixteenth, ninteeen hundred and
eight,
at four o'clock
Sherwood Heights, Durham, N. C.

The young people have lived here all their lives and are quite well known. There is a satisfaction in knowing they will continue to reside here.

Miss Lila Wright has returned from a very extended visit to Nova Scotia and the ajern coast of the country. Miss Wright has been gone nearly four weeks, and had a most delightful trip. She was joined in New York by her uncle, Mr. R. H. Wright.

OXFORD.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Oxford, Sept. 10.—The opening of the graded school was the special feature of interest this week. Promptly Monday morning at the ringing of the school bell, 291 scholars assembled in the chapel of the school where many patrons of the institution gathered. The exercises opened with singing, followed by prayer and short address by Rev. Mr. Massee, of the Methodist church. Superintendent J. R. Conley made a few remarks in taking charge of the school. The teachers in charge of the grades are: Prof. P. O. Bryant, Mrs. James Paris, Mrs. H. H. Fleming, Miss Jeannette Biggs, Miss Ada Gray, Miss Annie Crews, Miss May White, Miss Lucy Webb, Miss Fleming, Miss Bruton.

The very cosy and attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. William Massemburg was the scene of a charming tea party Tuesday evening, given complimentary to Miss Aileen Cooper, of Fayetteville, who is their guest for a few days. The invited guests were: Mr. Crawford Cooper, of Ahoskie; Miss Julia Cooper, of Henderson; Miss Mary Cooper, Miss Lily White, and Cadet Henry Cooper.

The residence being erected on College street by Mr. Walter Starke is to be completed at an early day and will be occupied by his family as their future home.

Bishop J. M. Horner, of Asheville, is visiting his mother at the Horner homestead.

The Social Club was very delightfully entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Maud Parham. The game of cards was very highly enjoyed. The refreshments were beautifully served. The weather was ideal and every detail went to make an enjoyable occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hicks have returned from an extended visit in New York. They were accompanied by Miss Aileen Minor, who is now in Raleigh at the Baptist University completing her studies.

The young men who leave for college from Oxford are: Nat Daniel and Russell Webb to Davidson, Nick Cannady and Marshall Pinnix to Chapel Hill, Bert Tayor to Oak Ridge, James Buchanan to Wake Forest, Willie Alston to A. and M. College to take special course in electrical work.

The September meeting of the "Granville Grays" chapter, U. D. C., was held at the elegant home, just completed, of Mr. and Mrs. William Landis. At this meeting Mrs. W. H. White, president of the chapter, was elected delegate to attend the annual convention at Goldsboro. The members of this chapter are making earnest endeavor to complete the Confederate monument and will in all probability be able to unveil the monument in the spring of 1909. A spelling bee is being arranged for an early date and promises to be an amusing and very attractive occasion.

Invitations have been received here by many friends to the marriage of Miss Annie Lee Currin, of Macon, Ga., to Mr. Eugene M. Lewellyn. The bride-to-be is a granddaughter of Rev. Dr. R. H. Marsh and a native of Oxford. She will be warmly welcomed by the people here. Mr. Lewellyn is a young business man of Oxford and most favorably regarded in this community, being associated in business with his uncle, Mr. J. F. Edwards, who is justly regarded in this community as one of "nature's noblemen."

A protracted meeting is going on in the Methodist church here, in which the pastor, Rev. Mr. Massee, is assisted by Rev. L. B. Jones, pastor of Central Methodist church, Raleigh. These meetings are well attended and will do much good in the community.

The family of Capt. J. T. Elmore is on a visit to Mr. Elmore's mother in Weldon. —Mrs. Walton, of Norfolk, is here with her friend, Mrs. C. G. Elliott. —Miss Sarah Daniel is visiting Mrs. J. S. Brown. —Mrs. Emma Russell, of New York, so well known here in her youth as Miss Emma Harris, is visiting friends and relatives in Granville.

CONCORD.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Concord, Sept. 10.—September 4th, 1908, marked the passing of the tenth mile-post in the life of little Helen Elizabeth Marsh, and in commemoration of the event a number of her little friends spent the afternoon with her at her pretty home on South Union street. The usual games of "Drop the Handkerchief," "King William," etc., were played, after which a peanut hunt was enjoyed. Having secured the largest number of peanuts, little Miss Alva Blackwelder and Master Frank Caldwell were each presented with a box of Huyler's candy by their charming hostess. The time passed all too rapidly and the hour for leaving came all too soon for this happy crowd who had spent so delightful an afternoon. Most elegant refreshments of cream, cake and mints were served.

Monday afternoon Miss Margaret Bell, the attractive little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bell, was "at home" to a party of her friends, and again a most pleasant afternoon was spent. With the invitation came a request for each guest to bring his or her baby picture, for a guessing contest was to be one of the features of the afternoon. After the photos had been numbered and arranged in conspicuous places and each guest given a paper with pencil attached, the guessing began in earnest. How eagerly they did scan the faces of the photos, trying to recognize whose they were. When time was called Miss Frances Ridenhour was found to have been the fortunate winner of the "box of sweets" which was in waiting for the successful one. Most tempting refreshments were served and thus closed another happy afternoon for the little folks.

Miss Naomi Lytch, of Laurinburg, is the guest of Mrs. R. A. Brower.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Craven, of Pittsburg, Pa., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Craven.—Miss Nan Cannon returned Tuesday after an absence of several months abroad.—Mrs. H. M. Barrow is visiting relatives in King's Mountain.—Mrs. Julius McGrath and daughter, Miss Kathryn, and son, Master Tom, of Oxford, Ga., are visiting at the home of Rev. T. W. Smith. — Miss Shirley Montgomery and little Miss Lucy Richmond Lentz spent several days in Charlotte last week.—Miss Ada Winslow, of Brooklyn, N. Y., arrived Thursday to visit Miss Jenn Coltrane. From here she goes to Lynchburg, Va., where she enters Randolph-Macon Woman's College.—Miss Maggie Hendrix left last Thursday for Lenoir College.—Mrs. John B. Sherrill left Tuesday for Hiddenite to spend several days.—Miss Sadie Belk, of Monroe, who has been the guest of Miss Myrtle Pemberton for a week, returned home Thursday.—Mrs. R. A. Brown and daughters, Misses Maud and Grace, are visiting in Asheville.

THOMASVILLE.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Thomasville, Sept. 10.—The Ladies' Tuesday Afternoon Book Club held its initial meeting for the new year last Tuesday afternoon at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Johnson, their daughter, Miss Mary, being the charming hostess. The subject for study was Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain), and a very interesting and comprehensive paper on the subject was prepared by Mrs. J. T. Cramer and read in her most excellent style. Mrs. Edgar Dixon read a very choice and amusing selection from Mark Twain, which was much enjoyed. The musical features, consisting of a very fine instrumental duet by Mrs. J. L. Armfield and Mrs. John R. Myers, and also some piano solos by Miss Mary Johnson, were delightful. Besides the members present the guests were: Miss Brown, of Aiken, S. C.; Miss Jennie L. Sumner, of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Hoye, of the city. Delicious refreshments were served at the close of this delightful meeting.

Miss Ella Lambeth left Thursday night for Boston, Mass., for a year's study at the New England Conservatory of Music. She was accompanied by her brother, James E. Lambeth, and also Miss Elizabeth Atkins, of Weaverville, who will also enter the conservatory. The party went by water from Norfolk to New York, where they will spend several days before going on to Boston. Quite a number of the young people of the city are off for the different colleges, Mr. Gerald Johnson, to Wake Forest, where he entered the sophomore class, and Mr. Mills Newton to Wake Forest; Mr. Austin Finch to Trinity College, Mr. Casper Pennington to A. & M., Miss Helen Julian and Miss Perry Griffith to the Presbyterian College at Charlotte, Miss Annie Thomas and Allen Thompson to Salem, Miss Annabel Lambeth to Trinity College, and a number of others.

WASHINGTON.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Washington, N. C., Sept. 10.—A very delightful subscription dance was given Tuesday evening in the parlors of the Elks' Club by the young men of the city complimentary to the visiting young ladies. Exquisite music was beautifully rendered by the Washington-Concert Band under the able direction of its instructor, Prof. William E. Smith. Dancing began at 10 o'clock and continued until 1, when it was with regret that adieus were said and a very enjoyable occasion was at an end. The german was beautifully led by the regular club leader, Mr. S. F. Burbank, Jr., who, taking as his partner, Miss Elizabeth Hill, introduced many new and beautiful figures. The following couples were on the floor: H. Phelps and Miss Reba Dumay, William Knight and Miss Annie Nicholson, F. S. Worthy and Miss May Belle Small, Murray Jones and Miss Cathrine Small, D. M. Carter, Jr., and Miss Cadie Fowle, J. D. Calais and Miss Katie Moore, H. D. Carrow and Miss Pattie Baughm, James Ellison and Miss Haines, of Winston-Salem; Dr. Disoway, of Plymouth, and Miss Muse Blount, I. F. Goddard and Miss Julia Moore, Caleb Bell, of Shawboro, and Miss Claudia Simmons, Baxter Bell, of Shawboro, and Miss Carrie Simmons, J. M. Robinson and Miss Hatte Jones, C. L. Payne and Miss Mace, of Baltimore; C. R. Bright and Miss Ella Mace, of Baltimore; Lindsay Warren and Miss Tillie Haughton, F. H. Bryan and Miss Myers, Edmund Harding and Miss Bessie Conally, E. A. Daniel and Miss Norfleet Bryant, E. H. Moore and Miss Moore, of Norfolk, Va.; J. G. Bragaw, Jr., and Miss Willie Hargrove, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Cooke. Chaperones: Mesdames T. E. Leahy, O. W. Blakely and Miss Julia Hoyt. Stags: Walter Windley, C. G. Blakely, Joe Bell and Joe Morgan, of Shawboro; W. H. Ellison, Murray Short, John Bonner, Ben Dawson and Sam Clark, of Tarboro.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Packard and D. B. Packard, Jr., are visiting relatives in Philadelphia.—Mrs. F. H. Short has returned home after a visit of several weeks to Buffalo Lithia Springs.—Miss Margaret Boyd, of Reidsville, is the guest of her sister, Miss Bessie Boyd, in this city for a few days.

LEXINGTON.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Lexington, Sept. 10.—The Round Dozen Club met with Miss Veigh Hutchison last Friday afternoon for the first time since the adjournment of the club in the spring. The event proved a most enjoyable one and, in the contest of the game of nations, Mrs. Joe H. Thompson won the prize, a gold stickpin. After the game Miss Hutchison served delightful refreshments.

The Sewing Club held a most delightful meeting last week with Miss Arline Trice.

Very pretty and effective invitations on thin sheets of wood have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. James Houston Alexander to an at home Wednesday evening, September 16th, to commemorate the fifth anniversary of their marriage.

Master Alexander Springs celebrated his fourth anniversary last Friday afternoon, at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Samuel W. Finch, by entertaining about twenty-five of his little friends. The weather was ideal and as the little tots romped and played on the spacious green lawn they made a very beautiful picture, one which grown-ups linger long to look at, the play of innocent childhood. The heart of the little host was made very happy by each guest bearing a birthday gift. Mrs. Finch was assisted in serving refreshments by Mrs. D. S. Yates and Mrs. R. C. Springs. Following were the invited guests: Masters David and William Yates, Frank Deadrick, Eugene Raper, Joe Walser, Hall Phillips, Jacob Leonard, Robert Humphreys, James Alexander; Misses Katherine Walker, Christine McCrary, Mary Hargrave, Elma Hege, Frances Holt Montcastle, Dorothy Mendenhall, Grace Phillips, Alice Virginia Trice, Anna, Eliza and Mabel Grimes, Mary Mildred Hill, Doris Humphreys, Emily Hill, Elizabeth Watts, Carrie Springs, Mildred Walser and Frances Walser.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will have a picnic Thursday afternoon at the beautiful farm of Mr. Z. I. Walser two miles south of town. A very happy time is anticipated by the entire school.

Mrs. J. M. Vanhoy, who has been spending some time in Albemarle, has returned to Lexington.—Miss Gertrude Hamner is visiting Miss Carrie Beall at "Beallmont," the beautiful ancestral home of the Bealls.—Miss Annie McIver, daughter of Judge McIver, of Carthage, is the guest of Mrs. M. B. Brown.—Miss Kate Malone and Mrs. W. M. Decker, of Augusta, Ga., have been the guests of Mrs. S. E. McCrary.—Miss Mary Blount, of Arkansas, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Deadrick en route to Danville, Va., where she will teach in Roanoke College.—Miss Caldwell, of Pine Bluff, Ark., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Holt, Jr. She is on her way to Agnes Scott School, Atlanta.—The many friends of Capt. F. C. Robbins who has been undergoing treatment at the Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, are glad to know that he will soon return restored to health.—Mrs. C. A. Hunt and Miss Camille Hunt have returned home from the mountains in western North Carolina.—Rev. and Mrs. Joseph T. Watts have gone to London, Ky., where Mr. Watts will assist in a series of services.

MOORESVILLE.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Mooresville, Sept. 10.—Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock the Pleasure Club was delightfully entertained by Misses Nona and Jett Brawley at their home on Main street. The interesting game of dice hearts was played, and after a very absorbing contest it was found that Mesdames George Jones and W. L. Matheson had tied for the prize, which, being drawn for, fell to Mrs. W. L. Matheson, who received a dainty white chafing dish apron. The consolation, being drawn for by Mesdames J. P. Mills and T. O. Brawley, fell to Mrs. Brawley. After this a salad course was served by the hostesses. Those present were: Mesdames W. D. Templeton, C. E. Hawthorn, George Jones, J. P. and DeWitt Mills, J. F. and T. O. Brawley, W. L. Matheson, J. D. Heathman; J. W. Brawley, of Greensboro; E. W. Brawley and Misses Grace Rankin, Olive Grey, Kate Templeton, Mary McNeely and Ruth Culbertson. The club will hold its next meeting with Mrs. E. W. Brawley.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Turner gave a charming tea Thursday evening to a number of their friends in honor of Miss Millie Johnston, who is visiting their sister, Miss Belle McNeely.

Mr. Paul Gilbert, of Durham, spent Wednesday in town, the guest of Dr. Heathman. —Mr. Harry Wylie, Jr., of Rock Hill, S. C., spent several days here this week on business. —Miss Julia Johnston, of Davidson, visited her sister, Mrs. J. F. Brawley, this week. —Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Deaton left Wednesday for Lynchburg, Va., where they will visit relatives for several weeks. —Mr. and Mrs. J. Bailey Robinson and little son, Palmer, left Thursday for Wilmington, where they will spend some time visiting relatives. —Mr. Moses White left Monday for Trinity College. —Mr. R. C. Johnston, of Statesville, was a visitor here Sunday. —Miss Fannie Walters has returned home from her trip to the Northern markets. —Mrs. George C. Goodman returned Saturday night from a trip to the mountains. —Mr. Z. V. Turlington spent Monday in Statesville. —Mr. Moore Pharr, of Charlotte, spent Tuesday and Wednesday here visiting friends. —Mr. Davidson Pharr left Wednesday for western North Carolina, where he will stay some time for his health. —Mr. McAuley, of South Carolina, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Jim Grey, this week. —Mr. Stanley Davis, of Charlotte, was a visitor in town this week. —Mr. J. F. Brawley returned home Thursday from Baltimore.

Monday morning the Mooresville graded school opened for the fall term. The following teachers will have charge of the different grades: Mr. Curly, principal; Misses Maud Lentz, Camille McKorkle, Mary McNeely, Beulah Johnston, Hattie Williams, Bettie Grey; Mesdames Morter McNight and Lula Rodgers.

Communion services will be held at the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church the third Sabbath in September. Preparatory services will begin next Thursday evening. Mr. Davidson will be assisted by Rev. R. E. Hough, of Charlotte.

"Damon and Pythias," which was given here by the Knights of Pythias Friday night under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. D'Oize was indeed a success. The work of the local talent was exceptionally good. Those who took part in the play were: Dr. L. Frontis, Miss Camille McCorkle, Mr. T. N. Hall, A. C. Kerley, G. L. McKnight, James Steele, D. W. Creswell and little Allen Miller.

STREET CARS FOR GASTONIA.

Aldermen Grant Franchise For $300,000 Concern to Begin Work Not Later Than January 1st, 1910—Southern Power Company to Furnish the "Juice."

Gastonia Gazette.

At a meeting of the city council held yesterday afternoon at the city hall a franchise was granted Mr. W. S. Lee and Mr. L. C. Harrison to build and operate within the city limits of Gastonia an electric street car system. According to the terms of the franchise work on the system is to begin on or before January 1st, 1910, and cars are to be in operation on or before July 1st, 1910. The franchise grants these gentlemen the privilege of constructing lines on any of the streets of the town, all necessary pole lines, bridges and other necessary articles of equipment, this work to be done under supervision of the city in conjunction with the employes of the franchise holders. The fare within the city limits is specified as five cents.

Mr. Lee was present in person and presented the application for the franchise.

It is understood that it is the purpose of the company which these gentlemen represent to build an electric line from Mount Holly to King's Mountain, a distance of about 25 miles, and touching McAdenville, Lowell, Gastonia, Bessemer City and possibly other towns in the county. Mr. Lee is vice president and general manager of the Southern Power Company, of which concern Mr. Harrison is also an officer, and it is taken for granted that this company will furnish power for the system. In fact, though the franchise is granted to these two men as individuals, the supposition is that they represent in a measure the Southern Power Company. The capitalization of the street car company is to be $300,000 and it is understood that as soon as this is subscribed the actual work of construction will begin. Mr. Lee stated that they hoped to have the system, at least in Gastonia, in operation before the time set in the franchise.

A SURE-ENOUGH KNOCKER.

J. C. Goodwin, of Reidsville, N. C., says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve is a sure-enough knocker for ulcers. A bad one came on my leg last summer, but that wonder