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## HOLIDAY NEWS OF THE VICINITY IN BRIEF.

Some of the People Who Visited Us and Some of Our People Who Visited Elsewhere—Other Notes of Interest.

Mr. Will Hunt spent Christmas with friends here.

Dr. I. P. Jeter spent Christmas with his mother in South Carolina.

Mr. Cameron Pearson, Jr., of Wilmington, spent Christmas in Morganton, his old home.

Mr. Frank P. Tate, who is now located at Dunn, N. C. spent Christmas at home.

Mr. H. E. C. Bryant, of Charlotte, was the guest of Mrs. P. L. Murphy during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Ellie Jaynes, daughter of Mr. Wesley Jaynes, of Table Rock, left Monday for school in Asheville.

Mr. T. R. Henderson, of Booth, Ala., paid his old home in this county a flying visit during the holidays.

Dr. J. W. Howard, of Irondale, Ala., visited relatives and friends in this county during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. J. W. Jarrett, a progressive farmer of Upper Creek township, killed a hog last week which netted 500 pounds.

Mr. Lenoir Jaynes, of Vernon, Texas, arrived here last week on a visit to relatives in Burke and Cleveland counties.

Mr. Moran Collett, with the Odell Hardware Co., of Greensboro, was a visitor in Morganton, his old home, during the holidays.

Mr. Moulton Avery, an engineer on the Southern, with headquarters at Greensboro, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives here.

Eston Lackey, son of J. A. Lackey, and Lawrence Lackey, son of W. D. Lackey, of Cleveland county, entered school at Rutherford College this week.

Married, Dec 20th, by Rev. P. A. Whitener, at his residence, in Morganton township, S. A. Moll and Miss Lollie Huffman, daughter of the late James Huffman.

Messrs. Will Powe, of Greensboro, and Elberie Powe, of Durham, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Esq. and Mrs. W. E. Powe, in Morganton.

Dr. L. A. Crawley tells us that Quacker Meadows has a farmer who gathered two crops of corn in 1903—one in January and the other in December.

Miss Cornelia Michaux, stenographer in the office of Bourbonnais & Hutton, of Hickory, spent Christmas at her home at Cherry Fields, in this county.

Mr. Clifton Pearson, who holds a position with the Odell Hardware Co., of Greensboro, came up last Saturday night on a visit to his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Pearson.

Mr. Therman Falls, a teacher in the Shelby Graded school, was a visitor here during the holidays. Our little bird tells us that a certain Morganton young lady was the main attraction.

The First National Bank of Morganton, made the stockholders of that institution a New Year's present of its regular semi-annual dividend of 4 percent, and passed a neat sum to the surplus account.

The Drexel Furniture Company has purchased all its machinery, and work on the building is being rapidly pushed. The equipment of this factory will be as complete as any of its kind in the State.

"The nicest and pleasantest medicine I have used for indigestion and constipation is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Melard F. Craig, of Middlegrove, N. Y. "They work like a charm and do not gripe or have any unpleasant effect." For sale by W. A. Leslie, Druggist.

Mr. Thomas Ross, of Greenville, S. C., son of our townman Mr. W. A. Ross, spent Christmas with his parent here. His brother Fred Ross accompanied him on his return to Greenville.

Mr. Joseph W. Avery, who is with Capt. S. D. Dunavant on the railroad works at Tracy City, Tenn., spent Christmas with relatives and friends here. All the people at his old home are always glad to see Jo.

On December 22nd, Claid Lear and Miss Arizona Berry, and on December 24th, W. B. Cook and Miss Lola Mosler, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock by Esq. J. J. Abernethy, at his residence in lead township.

Work on the foundation for the water tower of the Morganton Waterworks Co. is now in progress. The site is on what is known as Walton's hill and was purchased from Mrs. I. T. Avery. It will be 24 feet in diameter.

The Methodists of Table Rock circuit will build a parsonage in Quaker Meadow township about three miles from Morganton. A site has been secured and work on the building will begin at an early date.

Married, in Lower Fork township, at the residence of N. L. Chapman, the officiating magistrate, on Dec. 22nd, Charlie Martin and Miss Cordia Swink, and on Dec. 24th, John Watts and Miss Mary E. Canipe, all of Burke county.

Walter McNeely is now proprietor of a grocery store and meat market at the old Jones stand—above Tull's drug store. See his advertisement in this paper. He is a deserving young man and we hope he will succeed in this undertaking.

Messrs. Jerome Wortman, of Salisbury, and Claud Wortman, of Hickory, two young men who went from Morganton and are doing well in their respective towns, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wortman.

Rev. W. W. Edge, of the Presbyterian church, has been requested by the Morganton lodge to preach a sermon to Odd Fellows, and has consented to do so next Sunday night at the Presbyterian church. There will be space especially provided for all Odd Fellows who may attend. Members of Morganton lodge are requested by the Noble Grand to meet at their hall next Sunday night at 6 o'clock and march in a body to the church.

Capt. S. D. Dunavant, the pioneer railroad contractor, who now has a large contract at Tracy City, Tenn., spent the Xmas holidays at his home here, and was a welcome visitor among his old friends. He says it will take him twelve months yet to complete his contract, and we are glad to learn that he is making good money out of the work. His son Jack, who is a partner in the work, remained at the railroad camps during Christmas.

Millionaire's Poor Stomach. The worn-out stomach of the over fed millionaire is often paraded in the public prints as a horrible example of the evils attendant on the possession of great wealth. But millionaires are not the only ones who are afflicted with bad stomachs. The proportion is far greater among the toilers. Dyspepsia and indigestion are rampant among these people and they suffer far worse tortures than the millionaire unless they avail themselves of a standard medicine like Green's August Flower, which has been a favorite household remedy for all stomach troubles for over thirty-five years. August Flower creates the torpid liver, the clogged bowels, the indigestion, the nervousness, the flatulence and the entire system and makes life worth living, no matter what your station. Trial bottle, 25c; regular size, 75c. For sale by W. A. Leslie, Druggist.

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## A CHICAGO HORROR.

FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY PEOPLE BURNED.

Awful Tragedy in a Theatre—People Burned in Their Seats and the Dead Piled in Heaps at the Doors.

Chicago Dispatch, Dec. 30. About 550 people were killed in about 10 minutes in the Iroquois theatre, the newest, and, as far as human power could make it, the safest theatre in Chicago. Estimates of the dead and injured vary. The police account of the dead is 536. The estimate of the newspapers is 562. Besides these there are 53 people missing at midnight, the majority of whom are very probably among the dead in the morgue and the various undertaking establishments. Eighty-six of the dead have been positively identified.

A few of the unfortunates were burned to death by fire, many were suffocated by gas, and scores were trampled to death in the panic which followed the mad plunge of the frightened audience for the exits. It will be many hours before the number of dead is accurately known and many days before all of them will be identified. There are bodies lying by the dozens in the police stations, and in the hospitals from which nearly every thing that could reveal their identity to those who knew them best is gone. Their clothing is torn or ragged or burned to cinders and their faces have been crushed into an unrecognizable pulp by the heels of the crowd that trampled them down as they fled for safety.

The fire broke out during the second act of "Mr. Blue Beard, Jr.," which was the first dramatic production presented in the theatre since its erection. The company, which was very large, escaped to the streets in safety, nearly all of them, however, being compelled to flee into the snowy streets with no clothing but their stage costumes. A few members of the company sustained minor injuries, but none were seriously hurt.

The accounts of the origin of the fire are conflicting, and none of them are certain, but the best reason given is that an electric wire near the lower part of a piece of drop scenery suddenly broke and was grounded. The fire spread rapidly towards the front of the stage, causing the members of the chorus, who were then engaged in the performance, to flee to the wings with screams of terror. The fire in itself up to this time was not serious, and possibly could have been checked, had not the asbestos curtain failed to work. As soon as the fire was discovered, Eddie Foy, the chief comedian of the company, shouted to lower the curtain, and this was immediately done. It descended about half way, and then stuck. The fire was thus given practically a free through which a strong draft was setting in. With a roar and a bound the flames shot through the opening, over the heads of the people on the first floor and, reaching those in the first balcony, caught them and burned them to death where they sat. Immediately following this rush of flames, there came an explosion, which lifted the entire roof of the theatre from its walls, shattering the great skylight into fragments.

As soon as the flames first appeared, beyond the curtain, a man in the rear shouted "Fire! Fire!" and the entire audience rose as one person and made for the doors. It is believed the explosion was caused by the flames coming in contact with the gas reservoir of the theatre, causing them to burst. Will J. Davis, manager of the theatre, said after the catastrophe, that if the people had remained in their seats and had not been excited by the cry of fire, not a single life would have been lost. This is, however, contradicted by the statements of the firemen, who found numbers of people sitting in their seats, their faces directed toward the stage as if the performance was still going on. It was the opinion of the fireman that these people had been suffocated at once by the flow of gas which came from behind the asbestos curtain.

As near as can be estimated, at the present time, about 1,300 people were in theatre. Three hundred of these were on the first floor, the balance being in the two upper balconies and in the hall ways back of them. The theatre is modeled after the Opera Comique, in Paris, and from the rear of

## WAR IS INEVITABLE.

Situation Between Russia and Japan More Threatening.

Peking, China, Dispatch, 3rd. In the various foreign legations here the opinion is prevalent that war between Japan and Russia is inevitable.

This opinion is based on the latest dispatches from Tokio and on the conviction that it is not a question of detail which separates Russia and Japan, but the vital principles as to whether Japan possesses the right to a voice in the settlement of questions connected with Russian occupation of Manchuria.

Russia all along has denied this right, and unless her reply shows that she has receded from this position, which is not expected to be the case, it will probably provoke an ultimatum from Japan, whose determination to resort to arms in support of her claim is unquestioned.

Advices from Manchuria represent the Russian officials there as being surprised at Japan's readiness to fight. They expected that she would submit at the last moment, as she did in 1895, when she surrounded Port Arthur at the bidding of the European coalition. The Russian officials rely for support on the same powers which aided the Russian government on that occasion. Moreover, the Russians have confidence in their ability to win in the event of war.

General Yuan Sha Ki, commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, has memorialized the throne, praying to be relieved of all his minor offices so that he may devote all his energies to the reorganization of the army. While the government is determined to remain neutral as long as possible, it fully recognizes the possibilities of becoming involved, in the event of war.

Chicago was prompt to begin investigation and action in placing the blame for the appalling fire in the new Iroquois Theatre Wednesday afternoon, in which, according to the latest estimates, 564 persons are known to have lost their lives.

Seven employees of the theatre were arrested Thursday night after a day of investigation by a coroner's jury and a volunteer committee of aldermen. The employees are accused of being accessory to manslaughter and will be held pending the verdict of the jury. Those arrested include the stage manager, the stage carpenter and five stage hands and scene shifters. They were about to leave the city.

The jurymen and aldermen visited the theatre and say they found some startling defects. They declare that in the "flimsy asbestos curtain" and a closed ventilator over the stage was the source of the draft that swept the flames out over the audience. No automatic sprinklers, as required by city ordinance, were found on the stage, nor, it is stated, was there a fire alarm box in the building.

It is believed that the final number of the known dead from the disaster will not exceed 575. When the missing and injured are added, the total amounts to about 1,000, only about 300 who were in the audience having surely escaped without injury.

The property loss from the fire is estimated at \$250,000. The building and its equipment cost \$450,000 and it is stated the proprietors were so certain it was fire proof that they had it insured for only \$10,000.

Catawba River Union Will hold its next session with the church at Pisgah, beginning on Friday before the fifth Sunday in January, 1904. Introductory sermon at 11 a. m. by P. J. Shell.

PROGRAMME. 1st. Should christian parents establish family altars in their homes? What saith the Scriptures? Speakers: A. M. Wynkoop, W. B. Mull, P. F. Buff.

2nd. The relation between pastor and church. Speakers: W. F. Hull, M. L. Clark, R. B. Abernethy.

3rd. Duty of christians towards indigent orphans. Speakers: B. L. Patton, J. S. Gwaltney, Cicero Queen.

4th. Relation between foreign, home and State missions. Speakers: E. A. Poe, Julius Pruette, B. F. Newton.

5th. Should christians bear an active part in organizing anti-saloon leagues and in promoting temperance generally? Speakers: P. J. Shell, J. H. Cook, J. A. Rector.

6th. Sabbath Schools. Speakers: W. F. Patton, A. P. Bumgardner, J. M. Harris.

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Le. Clinton 10:12 am 10:00 pm

Le. Greensboro 10:38 am 12:30 pm 6:20 am

Le. Durham 11:00 am 12:45 am 6:20 am

Le. Raleigh 11:20 am 1:10 am 7:02 am

Le. Norfolk 11:45 am 1:35 am 8:00 am

Le. Boston 12:10 pm 2:30 am 9:20 am

Le. New York 12:28 pm 3:45 am 10:00 am

Le. Hartford 12:50 pm 4:00 am 10:00 pm

Le. Albany 1:25 pm 4:40 am 11:10 pm

Le. Philadelphia 1:30 pm 5:00 am 11:10 pm

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