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The Engineer Here.

It seems that the electric road people are saying very little and pushing right ahead. The civil engineer arrived here last week for the purpose of going to work on the line between here and Winston. The charter was ratified by the legislature on the 10th and everything seems to be primed for the work. This is a great undertaking and is entitled to all of the aid and encouragement our people can give it.

Cigar Factory.

A communication from Hampton, Va., from an experienced cigar manufacturer asks information about the town with a view to establishing a factory here. The Enterprise thinks that a factory of the kind would pay here. There are so many traveling men going out from High Point that anything of this kind would be made to pay. In other words we could sell the product of a factory easier than any town in the South.

Set For February 6th.

E. G. Gilmer, of Statesville, was in city Saturday and served summons on a number of our citizens to appear as witnesses in the case of E. G. Gilmer vs F. H. McAlpine & Co., which comes up at Statesville February 6th. The suit is for \$2,000 damages claimed by Mr. Gilmer on non-compliance of verbal contract in renting the Elwood hotel. McAlpine & Co. finally sold their interest in the hotel to J. W. Cole & Co., while Mr. Gilmer claimed he had already made a trade with McAlpine & Co. If the other witnesses know as little about the case as some that have been summoned we don't see how it will ever come to a head.

New Buildings.

The contractors tell us that they are figuring on five or six nice buildings which will be erected this spring.

Changed Its Name.

The Southern Loan and Trust Co., of Greensboro, was yesterday allowed by the Secretary of State to amend its charter in order to change its name to the Southern Life & Trust Co.

The Poor-Ye Have With You.

A man walked into our office just now and asked us to give him enough to eat for his family over Sunday. He was sober and really felt the condition of his family. Without questioning whether the man is any account, it seems deplorable that in a land of plenty, a town filled with wealth, that such things exist. It is uncommon it is true, but it is not right that a mother and children go hungry and cold over Sunday, or any other day for that matter, in our midst. It is just as important to look after such cases as it is to open the Sabbath schools tomorrow morning. But suppose the case is an unworthy one, it was not the righteous that was sought by Him who came to save. All of us are unworthy more or less in some way.

Permanent Receivership.

Before Judge Shaw Thursday evening creditors of the Hiawatha Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of yarus at Gibsonville, asked that the appointment of Mr. J. A. Davidson by Judge Shaw last week as receiver be made permanent, with some one else as co-receiver. They could not decide on the co-receiver and Judge Shaw took the paper pending the appointment.

The Coming of Mr. Metcalf.

President Spencer's private car will be attached to 97 on Feb. 6th, bringing the Washington and Virginia guests to the Manufacturers Banquet. The party will consist of Secretary Metcalf, the Cuban Minister, Mr. Richards, Senators Simmons and Overman, Congressmen, Kitchin, Page and Dixon, Thos Nelson Page and probably Dr. Edwin A. Alderman.

The Enterprise is very much pleased that these gentlemen will reach High Point in time to look over the city and meet our business men.

THE WANDERERS.

Letter From Mr. E. A. Snow.

Havana, Jan. 23, 1905.

Dear Garris:— I promised to write you, but really I have had no time and besides my English vocabulary is too limited to describe this place, especially in adjectives. One can not begin to tell the attractions and functions of this place on paper. It is the most beautiful place I have ever seen, so odd and quaint it is that it simply fascinates you. The city contains nearly a half million of people, mostly Cubans and Spaniards, but the U. S. has about 20,000 of her people here and when this place is better known there will be many more here. Every day the steamers land them by the hundreds. Spanish is generally spoken but you can hear our harsh English most everywhere. In all the larger establishments both languages are spoken so it is no trouble to get along on that score. The harbor is very pretty with its blue waters, dotted with ships from every nation. Old Morro fort and Cuban forts are especially interesting. I saw the awful dungeons and remains of the Guillotine where Gen. Weyler put so many Cubans to death. The streets are all as clean as our house floors. Not a speck of dirt is allowed to remain on them ten minutes. Men dressed in white on every block constantly sweeping so there is not a particle of dust. Every one lives and eats out of doors. This is the dry season and no rain will fall for some time yet. The main business streets are about 20 to 25 yards wide with sidewalks 2 to 5 feet wide and are paved with cement like our new walks. People walk in these streets as sidewalks are too narrow for passing, but there is no danger of being run over as every vehicle has a gong or bell which the driver rings almost constantly. They are all very careful indeed and one sees no reckless driving. The Prado is a long wide street over 200 feet wide with walks and two rows of shade trees in the middle with numerous parks and monuments. Iron chairs and settees are placed here where people sit to talk, smoke eat and drink. Every one smokes, every one drinks, yet I have not seen a single drunken person here and am told that only Americans ever get drunk here. Coffee, chocolate, wine and beer are the favorite drinks, but my friend, Sam Davis, always takes "Rum Barcarol," a strong drink made from sugar cane.

Sam is getting to be quite a Spanish linguist and expect he will not talk English very much when he gets home. I have just returned from morning mass in the old cathedral where Columbus was buried. Yesterday I worshipped at a Presbyterian Mission. I found most all Evangelistic churches have missions here but of course the Roman Catholics have full sway here. Yesterday everything was wide open here. I went to see the national game of Jai Alai in afternoon and this was the most wonderful game I ever saw. Over \$50,000 was lost or won in bets on the game by the 5,000 spectators. My letter must be too short to tell of it. Saturday we went over to the next province Matanzas, where we saw some wonderful caves and a famous cathedral. This place has a fine harbor where you will remember Capt. Bob Ryan shelled the town and killed a mule. Tomorrow we go into the interior to see a sugar plantation and mills. Sugar is very high priced now and they have a big crop this year, so they are feeling good. Tobacco is mostly raised in the province of Santiago. It takes two or three days to go there, so we will cut that out. I just cannot spare very much time to write so will close right now. Don't know when I shall start home, certainly not as long as our money holds out.

Yours having a good time,
E. A. SNOW.

S. M. Relsey, of Cleveland, is here.
P. C. Jenkins, of Winston, was at the Elwood last night.
F. O. Hawley, of New York, is at the Elwood.
A. M. Oglesby was at the Elwood last night.

The New Elwood Plans.

Mr. C. C. Hook, of the firm of Hook & Sawyer, architects, Charlotte, was in the city last week with the drawing for the addition to the Elwood hotel. It represents the extension of the hotel to the Welch building, about 85 feet, of the same design as the present structure. In the centre of the Main street frontage will be a wide portico from the second story and a smaller one extending from the third story. There will be no entrance to the hotel from Main street. There will be four handsome store buildings in the new part of the building, on Main street.

The plans were exceedingly attractive and Mr. Hook himself says that it will be the handsomest hotel building in State.

A Pitiable Story.

A pitiable story comes from Russia direct to High Point in which one of the much persecuted Jews of that country figures prominently. The Enterprise had a talk last evening with a Jew who knows the facts in the case. The story would make the basis of an interesting novel: A young Jew in Russia was on his way home to a sick wife. He had gone hurriedly for a physician. He was stopped on the way by two conscript officials and told he was wanted for the army. He begged to go home to see his sick wife but was refused the request. He was hustled off to the front and the story goes, he fought one way and prayed another. His daily prayer to the God of Abraham was that Port Arthur might fall. This soldier was at Port Arthur when it fell and he believes in his heart that the God of Abraham answered the prayers of his chosen people. He was taken prisoner, and he begged for the privilege of writing to his sick wife but this request was also refused by the Russian officer. Undaunted, the Jew writes to relatives in New York tells his story and they cable to St. Petersburg to get the news of his family and communicate with the Jew, a prisoner at Port Arthur. This, said our informant, is one of the thousands of instances of persecution and shows the heartless methods of the Russians. But the Jews in that country are not down cast. They believe, as in the case with Spain, that Jehovah will yet punish the Russians. They also believe that Jehovah has the time fixed for these things, hence the remarkable patience of the Jewish race.

Are We to Have a Y. M. C. A. Building?

Is the Y. M. C. A. building to be realized? Probably nothing could be mentioned of a temporal character which is so much needed as this. The matter has been intelligently and forcibly placed before the men upon whom the responsibility rests for the finances of the undertaking. If they will not take it up manfully and carry it through it must fail. But this is not like High Point business men to let a thing fall that is needed.

Let all pull and pull together and see this great need met. If not we will suffer and business will suffer and souls will be lost.

ELI REECE,
For the Pastors' Association.

Novelty Works.

The Enterprise has a communication from a large manufacturing concern in New York stating that the management had decided to move their plant South and after due consideration they had about concluded that High Point was the most desirable location. They ask for facts concerning the town, its population, tax rate, etc. The Enterprise in looking up these parties finds that they have a substantial business and have built up a large industry.

Its difficult for the average woman to say what she means. The less advice a man hands out the more listeners he will have.

FIRE AT W. B. VAILS.

An Alarm Sent in But Not Answered—The Flames at Last Subdued.

The residence of Mr. W. B. Vail caught fire Friday afternoon at one o'clock and for a time it seemed that the house would be destroyed in spite of the heroic efforts of the family and neighbors. It caught from a drum between the floor and ceiling. While this was burning another blaze shot out from the roof of the porch. The few present had to divide their time between the two places and with axes and buckets of water finally succeeded in extinguishing the flames but not before considerable damage had been done. Mrs. Vail does not understand why the alarm was not given as a telephone message was sent to the central office and also some of the factories. Of course there must have been some misunderstanding, but the misunderstanding came very costing Mrs. Vail her home and the contents.

The house was insured in the Birmingham-Atlanta Co., formerly the High Point Company.

Wild Rumors.

It was reported on the streets this morning that there had been a wreck near Danville in which a large number of people lost their lives. The report scattered like wild fire and by 10 o'clock the Enterprise was besieged for information. The Enterprise called up headquarters and found that there was some trouble near Danville, but it amounted to very little: A freight train in moving to a side track just beyond the Dan River, ran into No. 39, but no one was seriously injured. The delay to the through trains was caused by snow storms North. They were so far behind when this accident was reported that some of them were annulled.

Enjoyable Luncheon.

Mrs. L. J. Ingram gave a delightful luncheon Monday afternoon complimentary to the visiting college girls from Greensboro, Misses Shattuck, Blalock, Neal, Wilson, Gully, Pierce and Tuttle. The luncheon was from 3 to 4 o'clock and was quite an enjoyable affair in respect. The home guests were Mesdames W. H. Ragan, W. G. Bradshaw, W. B. Vail, J. J. Farris, Geo. H. Crowell and Miss Irvin Paylor.

To-day's News.

Latest dispatches claim extensive fighting in which the Japanese hold their own, yesterday near Mukden, Russians claim advantage for effect's sake, their flanking movement is checked with their right wing repulsed. Warsaw Poland's capital continues revolt, revolutionists seize arms and Nihilists resolve on massacre.

Banks fail to recall large loans, France and Belgium cease loans, Witte fails to finance, inflow of funds ceases while business is paralyzed, starvation threatened.

Victories of peace are strangely associated with wars, havoc and interval conflicts.

God's providence, even if imperceptible is operative on collective individuals also active.

Czar Nicholas shows himself no coward though defended by Vladimir, loyal monarchist, while blame for military executions shifts from Trepoff to Sergius. Free principle is more than ever prominent and government professing conciliation enforces order. Law is of first importance while opportunity is seized by revolutionists. A crisis focalizing from a great past is both present and future and Russia's last decade is marked by great gains for humanity after conflicts and long suffering.

We call attention to the statement of the Life Insurance Co. of Virginia in this issue.

A. M. Clark, of Baltimore, is at the Elwood.
B. L. Blair, of Indianapolis, is registered at the Elwood.

The Entertainment

The recital at auditorium Monday night by Miss Blanche Etta Shattuck, under the auspices of the Emerson Society, of Greensboro Female College, was well attended notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. Six of the young ladies of the society accompanied Miss Shattuck and acted as ushers.

The original dramatization "If I were King," by Justin McCarthy is very difficult but was handled by Miss Shattuck in a highly creditable manner. To assume the role of half dozen characters requires experience and good training along the line of this branch of elocution and Miss Shattuck demonstrated in a high degree that she possessed these qualifications. The instrumental music was furnished by Miss Blalock, to the enjoyment of all present.

The Enterprise congratulates the young ladies on the success of the entertainment and will say again that our people were pleased indeed to have them with us.

Those composing the party were Misses Shattuck, Blalock, Kate Ingram, Neal, Gully, Wilson and Pierce.

Dr. Moore to Leave.

Dr. John L. Moore, who has made his home in High Point for the past few years and who has built up quite a good practice, has decided to go to Nebraska and will leave here next Tuesday. Dr. Moore's family will be in Raleigh for a short while before joining him in his western home.

Dr. Moore, his estimable wife and daughter have made many strong friends in High Point who will regret exceedingly to hear of their intention of leaving. The Enterprise wishes them well in their new home and hereby commends the doctor and his family to the good people of Nebraska.

Attacks on Mr. Varner.

The American, which is the national organ of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, continues today its attack upon State Labor Commissioner Varner. There are intimations that other things are to follow. The paper renews its statement that children under 12 years of age are employed in the mills. The order, of which the paper is the organ, has declared against the establishment of an immigration bureau for this State. It tells Dr. Ar J. McKelway that the 10,000 and more members of the order in North Carolina are with him to a man in his movement to raise the age limit in cotton mills from 12 to 14 years for girls, and from 12 to 14 years for boys who cannot read and write.—Raleigh Correspondence Charlotte Observer.

Resolutions of Respect.

We the undersigned committee appointed by the councilor of Guilford Council No. 23, Jr. O. U. A. M. to draft resolutions showing our last tribute of respect to our deceased brother, D. W. McPherson, beg to submit the following:

Whereas, It has pleased the All Wise Providence, in his own mysterious way, by invading our order and removing therefrom our beloved brother, D. W. McPherson, yet while we bow in humble submission to Him who rules the universe, this Council deeply deplore its loss, therefore be it

Resolved: That we neither question the mysterious Providence which has caused a vacancy in the ranks of our Council nor murmur at the hands of Him who has in his taking away brought this sorrow upon us, but bow in humble reverence to Him who doeth all things well, and say, "Not our but Thy will be done."

Resolved: That in this hour of deep affliction, we tender the bereaved family of our deceased brother our sincere condolence and deeply sympathize with them, and further

Resolved: That as a token of respect, our charter be draped in mourning for 30 days, and that these resolutions be placed on a memorial page in our Journal and a copy be sent to the family of our deceased brother, and published in the High Point Enterprise and the Weekly Ledger.

D. C. Aldridge,
J. W. Sechrist,
J. B. Johnson, } Committee

GREENSBORO MAN MISSING.

Mrs. J. C. Reid Went to Providence to Attend Mother's Funeral—Came Back and Husband was Gone.

"Mrs. Reid, who lives in one of Dr. Lash's flats on Lyndon street, this city, is very much distressed on account of her husband, Mr. J. C. Reid, superintendent of Altamahaw Mills. Two weeks ago last Sunday he received a telegram stating that Mrs. Reid's mother had just died at Providence, Rhode Island. She went to Providence and attended the funeral.

As soon as his wife left he went to the Southern Loan & Trust Co. and drew out \$250, which he had deposited, and since that time no one has seen or heard anything of him. Mrs. Reid did not hear from him while she was away, and was surprised at his not writing. She was even more surprised when she reached Greensboro Sunday night and learned that no one had seen her husband since she left. The police talked to Altamahaw over the long distance phone, and it was said he had not been seen there in two weeks. As yet the police have no clue.

For the Good of All.

The Board of Alderman in enacting the hog law was doing what it was thought was best for High Point. The editor Enterprise was not associated with the board when the hog law was passed but we desire here publicly to endorse it because we are conscientious in our belief that it is better for the health of the community. We know that it seems hard to some that they are not permitted to "raise their meat." There are some very good citizens here moving in from the country who believe it a downright hardship on them to be thus deprived of a privilege they have always enjoyed. But we are satisfied that if they knew positively the disease, bred from the hog pen in a neighborhood they would realize a change of heart. We believe that these questions should be discussed in a conversative way, face to face in an honest, upright manner. The man who takes it up in any other light is not a friend to the town or the man he is trying to prejudice against his neighbor.

We have been associated with the Board of Aldermen only for a little while but we know that the men composing the board would not do anything that they did not think was for the good of the community. The Enterprise would ask the people of High Point to try the hog law for two years. At the end of that time we don't believe that the hogs could be gotten back in the community. Why spend thousands of dollars on water works and sewerage in order to secure a healthy condition and then allow other things that would kill the effect of all other objectionable things removed.

We ask the people to think seriously over the matter and not agitate a change until the matter is looked into thoroughly. The board meets next Monday night and will gladly hear both sides on the question.

Made a Change.

Will "Binks" Partridge, who enlisted in the Navy about three years ago writes to the Enterprise that he has been transferred to the "Cincinnati." He was in the Philippines when he wrote but was to sail on the 27th for Chefoo, China where the ships will be for three months. Chefoo is 60 miles from Port Arthur.

We don't believe Binks will enlist.

Death of D. W. McPherson.

Mr. D. W. McPherson a young man who had many friends here, died last Saturday and was buried here Sunday. [The funeral services were held from the M. K. church at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Whitaker of the M. P. church, assisted by Rev. D. E. Bowers, of the Reformed church. Deceased was a member of the Jr. Order and Odd Fellows and was buried with the honors of these two orders. The procession was quite a large one, there being 250 men in line.