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WAYNESVILLE MISCELLANY

Wedding of Miss Howell Occurs This Evening.

Union Thanksgiving Service of Three Churches.

A New Hardware Store—Personal Notes.

Special to the Gazette.

Waynesville, Nov. 25.—Rev. E. M. Lightfoot of Orangeburg, S. C., who will perform the ceremony at the Howell-Chanslor wedding tomorrow evening, arrived yesterday afternoon. Mr. Lightfoot was once pastor of the Baptist church here, and it is a pleasant task which brings him back to Waynesville. He will probably return home Friday.

The Methodist people and the public generally were pleased when they read in this morning's Gazette that Rev. J. E. Abernethy had been assigned to the church here another year. Mr. Abernethy is a fluent speaker and a popular pastor.

Mr. C. E. Entemann of Asheville spent last night in this city.

Hon. George H. Smathers went to Asheville yesterday.

Congressman J. M. Moody came home from Asheville today.

Rev. W. E. Wilkins of Clyde was in town yesterday, looking after matters connected with his paper, the Skyland Baptist.

Waynesville will in a few days have another hardware store. It will be in the room between the lower drugstore and the dispensary, and the promoters will be Marsteller & Pegues.

After a remarkably long dry spell, the windows of heaven were opened up last night and there was a constant downpour which lasted all night. The prospect for plenty of rain is flattering.

The city schools will observe North Carolina day Friday. There will be an all-day program, and at night exercises will also be held at Academy hall, at which time a small admission fee will be required.

Mr. J. B. Franklin of Knoxville is here, representing Chapman, White Lyons & Co., wholesale druggists.

The new store building of L. T. Holmes on Main street is now complete, and is a beauty. It adds greatly to the appearance of Main street.

Mr. J. P. Swift, secretary and treasurer of the local telephone system here, informs your correspondent that business is constantly increasing with its independent company. New phones are being put in frequently and the service is giving general satisfaction.

The Methodist Episcopal, Baptist and Presbyterian congregations will hold a union Thanksgiving service Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in the Presbyterian church. Rev. Baylu Cade will preach the sermon. An offering will be received which will be equally divided between the three churches and applied to the different orphans' homes.

W. J. Sudderth expects to leave today for Savannah, Ga.

Miss Julia Sutherland of Atlanta left yesterday for her home. She spent several weeks in Asheville.

Lieut. S. G. Norville, who has been in charge of the Asheville recruiting office, U. S. A., has gone to Charlotte.

H. J. Moore of Marshall was here yesterday.

George Herndon left for Chattanooga yesterday.

William Lytle of Knoxville left yesterday for his home, after visiting his uncle, B. C. Sanger, near Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Campbell of Charlotte were here yesterday.

Frank Loughran is in Hickory.

Dr. J. W. Faucette expects to go to Waynesville today.

W. D. Martin of Waynesville was here yesterday.

T. W. Valentine of the Times of Hendersonville is in the city.

G. A. Smith of Winston-Salem is at the Battery Park.

C. H. H. Russler of Statesville was here yesterday.

Berkeley arrivals: William H. Cole of Waynesville, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey L. Miller of Springfield, W. H. Williamson of South Carolina, J. M. Moss of New York, F. J. Bricken of Atlanta, G. A. Klein of Pittsburg.

Swannanoa arrivals: A. S. Brock of Winston, A. Blanton of Marion, R. L. Neilson of Richmond, J. O. Harrison of Franklin, E. H. Stewart of Winston-Salem, B. S. Graves of Yanceyville, Mrs. M. E. Cozard of Cleveland, C. E. Entemann of Toledo, H. O. Miller of Charlotte, Leon I. Robinson of Baltimore.

Mrs. Lula Morgan, who has been in Philadelphia since October, is expected to return to Asheville on tonight's train.

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ECHOES OF THE CONFERENCE

Statistical Report—Conditions of the Conference Schools—The Charge Against Two Minister's Characters

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Monroe, Nov. 25.—Yesterday, the closing day of the W. N. C. conference, was full of interest.

When A. W. Jacobs, who has been serving the Cherokee mission, made his report, D. Atkins made a motion that the board of missions increase the domestic mission assessment from \$3000 to \$4000. W. W. Bays, J. R. Scroggs and J. E. Thompson opposed the motion on the ground that the conference is advancing along the line of liberality to the cause of foreign and domestic missions and that it would be unwise to suddenly increase the assessment to domestic missions. J. R. Brooks moved to amend the resolution by substituting \$6000 for \$4000 and this amendment was accepted and was adopted by the conference. The matter will go before the board of missions for consideration, and when the board reports the conference will act finally on the resolution.

Stated briefly, the charge against Rev. A. A. Crater was simply that he had recklessly contracted debts without any prospect of being able to pay them. There was considerable discussion with regard to his case and what disposition the conference should make. Some favored the trial of the case in the defendant's absence and adopted that disposition at this session of the conference. Others favored leaving the case in the hands of the committee of investigation. Bishop Smith stated that it would not be fair to the defendant to try the case without making further effort to have him make a defense, and that it would not be hurtful, as some suggested, to the church to hold the case over until next year, the defendant being suspended from the ministry during this time. Finally, on motion of J. Atkins, the case was referred to the presiding elder of the defendant, Rev. J. R. Scroggs, the first charge against the defendant having been made while he was within the Greensboro district.

In addition to the interest which the Western North Carolina conference has in Trinity College, it owns four other schools. Rutherford College is located in Burke county and is well known as the school of the late Rev. R. L. Abernethy conducted for so many years. The college has been the property of the conference for several years and it has been conducted by the present management for the past two and one-half years, and the patronage is steadily growing. During the present year 152 students have already enrolled, and others will enter before the holidays.

The faculty is composed almost entirely of young men, all of whom are representatives of the leading institutions of learning in the church, and are doing faithful work. This school does thorough preparatory work and fits the student body well for college. If there were a sufficient number of dormitories on the ground it is probable that 250 students would be enrolled before the close of another year. The healthy location of the college is largely in its favor and at the present time there are students from three states in attendance. The president, Rev. C. C. Weaver, and Rev. J. T. Erwin, professor of mathematics are members of the conference.

Weaverville college is in the twenty-ninth year of its history and the second year under the present management. Prof. J. M. Robeson is president of the college, and in the faculty there are five young men, all of whom are at present students doing regular work at the college and the outlook for increased patronage is good.

Weaverville is eight miles from Asheville and the college community is well known and is growing. Representatives of this college after completing the course of study are found in other schools of higher curriculum and give evidence of thorough preparation and reflect credit upon the school.

Davenport college, at Lenoir, is the only female college owned by the conference and it is growing in popularity. As before stated, Rev. R. C. Craven is the president and there are at present 207 pupils enrolled. The curriculum has been raised and is now equal to that of most colleges for young women in the South.

Brevard Industrial school has done much for the poor boys and girls of the conference, especially for those in the mountain districts. Mr. Fletcher Taylor and his wife have done a noble work there for several years and they have been able to reopen the school in December. Money is much needed to further equip the school and pay the salaries of the teachers.

The statistical report was submitted and the following figures are of special interest: Local preachers, 183; members, 74,799; infants baptized, 1,655; adults, 2,013; Epworth Leagues, 194 members, 3,896; Sunday schools, 739 teachers, 4,897; Sunday school scholars, 51,808; superannuated fund paid, \$4,682.03; contributed to foreign missions, \$14,071.66; domestic missions, \$7,459.64; to church extension, \$2,696.14; to American Bible society, \$496.57; contributed to support of presiding elders, \$12,323.88; to preachers in charge, \$92,793.88; to support of bishops, \$1,762.45; number of societies, 829; number of pastoral charges, 14; parsonages, 144; number of districts, 11; number of district parsonages, 7; number of houses of worship, 728.

The committee in the trial of Rev. J. A. Clark reported that the committee found the first charge, that of immorality, untrue, but found the second charge, that of imprudence, true, and recommended that the defendant be reprimanded in open conference. Bishop Smith asked Mr. Clark to rise and did so. Then in the spirit of most brotherly kindness Bishop Smith told him what a painful ordeal this was for both, and then expressed his joy that the charge sustained was an error of head and not of heart. He then urged him to profit by this sad experience and prove to the conference and the world his determination to live right in the future by his daily conduct.

On motion of J. R. Scroggs, S. P. Douglass was located on the ground of unacceptability. Mr. Douglass did not request the location, but made no remarks to the conference. On motion of W. W. Bays, the conference granted the privilege to the presiding elders of

employing Mr. Douglass as a supply. Following are the appointments in addition to those given in yesterday's Gazette:

- CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. AGWE, P. E.
Charlotte—Tryon Street and Epworth T. F. Marr and G. E. Evans
Trinity, G. H. Detwiler.
Brevard, L. A. Falls.
Calvary, A. R. Surratt.
Chadwick, J. A. Baldwin.
Hoskins, J. S. Hoskins.
Dilworth, R. G. Tuttle.
Ansonville, J. T. Stover.
Clear Creek, E. G. Pusey.
Derita, W. L. Nicholson.
Lilleville, S. S. Gasque.
Matthews, J. J. Havener.
Monroe, M. A. Smith.
Monroe circuit—W. V. Honeycutt.
Morven, M. T. Steele.
Pineville, H. C. Sprinkle.
Polkton, R. T. N. Stephenson.
Wadesboro, D. M. Litaker.
Waxhaw, G. E. Stacey.
Weddington, M. H. Hoyle.
GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. R. SCROGGS, P. E.
Greensboro—West Market Street, S. B. Turrentine.
Centenary, Ira Erwin.
Spring Garden, L. W. Crawford.
Proximity, J. A. Bowles.
Greensboro circuit, J. E. Woosley.
Reidsville—Main Street and chapel, D. V. Price.
Wentworth, A. S. Roper.
Ruffin, C. A. Wood.
Pleasant Garden, T. B. Johnson, M. C. Field and L. Groome, supernumeraries.
Liberty, E. J. Poe.
Rameur and Franklinville, T. S. Ellington.
Asheboro station, J. P. Rogers.
Asheboro circuit, to be supplied by J. F. Allred.
Uwharrie, W. S. Heales.
Jackson Hill, J. W. Strider.
Randlemann and Naomi, G. T. Cordell.
Randolph, Albert Sherrill.
West Randolph, C. H. Caviness.
High Point—Washington Street W. M. Bagby and G. H. Crowell.
South Main, G. F. Kirby.
Field secretary of missions, W. L. Grissom.
Editor Advocate, H. M. Blair.

- MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—J. J. RENN, P. E.
Mount Airy station, F. L. Townsend.
Mount Airy circuit, W. L. Hutchins.
Rockford, J. W. Long.
Pilot Mountain, supplied by A. L. Coburn.
Stokes, J. P. Lanning.
Yadkinville, J. F. Triplett.
Elkin, T. A. Boone.
Jonesville, S. E. Richardson.
Wilkesboro, T. E. Weaver.
North Wilkesboro, J. B. Tabor.
Boone, B. F. Hargett.
Watauga, Seymour Taylor.
Jefferson, L. P. Bogle.
Creston, J. A. Clark.
Helton, supplied by S. W. Brown.
Laurel Springs, to be supplied, Sparta, supplied by T. J. Houck.

- SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. W. BAYS, P. E.
Salisbury—First church, H. L. Atkins.
Main Street, W. Y. Scales.
East Salisbury and Tabor station, R. G. Barrett and J. C. Keever.
Spencer, T. A. Sikes.
Concord—Central, J. A. B. Fry, T. W. Smith, supernumerary.
Forest Hill, J. N. Huggins.
Epworth, J. P. Davis.
Concord circuit, F. W. Bradley.
Mt. Pleasant, C. M. Pickens.
China Grove, E. N. Crowder.
Norwood, J. O. Shelley.
Cottonville and Big Lick, supplied by C. E. Steadman.
Albermarle station, G. T. Rowe.
Albermarle circuit, C. M. Gentry.
New London, H. E. Byrum.
Gold Hill, J. J. Eades.
Salem station, P. W. Tucker.
Lexington, J. D. Arnold.
Linwood and Lexington mission, D. P. Tate and A. L. Aycock, supplies.
Salisbury circuit, J. F. England.
Woodleaf, B. F. Carpenter.

- SHELBY DISTRICT—J. H. WEAVER, P. E.
Shelby station, C. F. Sherrill.
Shelby circuit, D. F. Carver.
Gaston—Main Street, H. F. Chreiburg.
West End, J. H. Bradley.
King's Mountain, G. D. Herman.
El Bethel, J. F. Armstrong.
Bellwood, W. P. McGhee, A. G. Gantt, supernumerary.
Polkville, J. W. Clegg.
Palm Tree and Double Shoals, J. F. Totten.
Cherryville, J. W. Ingle.
Lincolnton, T. T. Salyer.
Lincolnton circuit, J. H. Bennett supply.
Stanly Creek, J. H. West.
Mt. Holly, W. H. L. McLaurin.
Lovesville, J. J. Gray.
South Folk, W. M. Boring.
McAdenville, R. M. Courtney.
Lowell, L. T. Mann.
Bessemer City, G. G. Harkey.
Rock Springs, B. A. York.
Professor in Trinity College, P. T. Durham.

- STATESVILLE DISTRICT—J. E. THOMPSON, P. E.
Statesville—First church, H. K. Boyer.
West End, J. M. Downum.
Statesville circuit, J. H. Vreulde Jas. Wilson.
Alexander circuit, W. LeGette.
Smyth Point circuit, B. F. Fincher.
Catawba circuit, R. S. Howie.
Newton circuit, W. F. Womble.
Maiden circuit—W. S. Cherry.
Iredell circuit, J. W. Bowman.
Hickory, Parker Holmes.
Caldwell circuit, P. L. Terrell.
Granite Falls and Rhodhiss, G. W. Callahan.
Lenoir, C. C. Thompson.
Mooreville station, T. J. Rodgers.
Mooreville circuit, J. M. Price.
Clarks berry circuit, supplied by B. H. Penland.
Troutman circuit, A. J. Burrus.
Mt. Zion, M. H. Yestal.
President Davenport College, R. C. Craven.
Conference Sunday school secretary, D. H. Cowan.

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SPANISH CLAIMS COMMISSIONS

Washington, Nov. 24.—The Spanish claims commission has enunciated the principles by which it will be governed in passing upon the various demurrers which have been submitted to it in connection with the claims now under consideration owing to the war between Spain and Cuba. The general basis is laid down that in assuming the responsibility, which would otherwise have been Spain's the United States is bound to pay all claims for which Spain could have been held. It is further held that the insurrection in Cuba had gone beyond the control of the Spanish government and that it was not responsible

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for damages due to the insurrection. It is held that the United States have prevented the particular case by their diligence in the matter that it will not be paid.

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