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NEWS FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENTS

Items of Interest from Various Places as Viewed and Told by Those on the Field.—Personals.

Durham, Route 6.

Christmas is over and the people are now thinking of the time they had. It was very dull in this neighborhood.

Miss Ethel Watts, of East Durham, spent several days with her cousin, Miss Leah O'Briant, last week.

Miss Eva King spent Xmas week in Hillsboro with her cousin, Miss Ozie Lassiter.

Mrs. C. F. Ross and daughter, Miss Belle, were visitors at S. W. King's Monday.

Misses Fannie and Minnie Johnson spent some ten days with relatives in Chatham county.

Mrs. Minnie O'Briant and daughter, of near Morrisville, has been visiting Mrs. O'Briant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Hodges.

Mrs. S. W. King and daughter, Miss Eva, were welcome guests at H. T. Johnson's Tuesday evening.

Miss Eva Ross has returned from Durham, where she spent several days with friends and relatives. E. E. K.

Green Level.

There was a quiet home wedding at H. M. Yates' home Dec. 24, when his daughter, Miss Erna, was led to the altar by Mr. Harris Ashley. After the marriage they took the train for Granville county. Rev. Wm. Yates officiated.

Misses Bessie and Annie Woods, of Durham, and Miss Bessie O'Briant, of Durham, Route 7, spent Christmas at L. A. Morgan's home. They reported having a fine time. Come again, girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell, of Durham, are visiting Mr. I. M. Vickers.

Son Cheek, of Durham, spent several days with his sister, Mrs. Herndon.

Christmas has come and gone and the New Year, 1907, has arrived, warm and fair.

HUSTLER.

From Cary, Route 1.

Christmas is gone and the New Year has come, and I hope that every reader of The Recorder had a merry Christmas and will have a happy New Year.

I am very glad to note that Pleasant Grove's new Methodist church is completed, and services were held there Sunday. Our pastor, Rev. Geo. T. Simmons, preached a very fine sermon.

Mrs. M. A. V. Thompson gave a party to a few of her friends last Thursday night, and those who attended report a fine time.

Mrs. C. A. R. Jackson is visiting her son, Prof. A. N. Jackson, of Cary.

Miss Ola King, of Raleigh, Route 6, spent Wednesday with the writer.

Mrs. J. R. Hailey spent a few days recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smith.

Miss Lelia Fuquay, of Fuquay Springs, is spending a few days with Miss Lelia Smith.

Miss Carrie Hailey spent Sunday with her brother, J. R. Hailey, of Raleigh.

Miss Cope, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Cope, died Dec. 24th of consumption. The interment took place Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the body being laid to rest in the family burying ground, some six miles north of Cary. Miss Cope was

27 years of age. She left a mother, father and one brother, D. Cope, to mourn her sad death. In addition to those named she had many influential and prominent relatives and many friends.

Mr. Ector Cope, Mrs. Fannie Williams and Miss Flonnie Cope spent a few hours at the home of Mr. R. H. Smith Tuesday night.

There is a lot of sickness in this community.

Some one shot through the window at the home of Mr. L. M. C. King Wednesday night. The shooter is unknown.

Leesville High School.

Following is the program of the exercises at Leesville High School Friday before Christmas, which was sent in with a request that we publish:

Greeting Song.

Where is Papa Tonight?—Nola Edwards.

Wishes—Quartette.

The Golden Stars Waltz—Thelma Holloway and Minnie Edwards.

Hypnotizing a Landlord.

Valse—Trio—Helen Bleakam, Annie and Fred Hollard.

Lillie Servour's Ride—Miss Amorette Bledsoe.

Morning Star Waltz—Miss Ollie Sorrell and Fred Pollard.

A Minstrel—Farce.

Come Where the Blue Bells Ring—Chorus.

Sam's Letter—Recitation—Remus Blalock.

Wildfang Galop—Instrumental Duet—Ethel and Mattie Sorrell.

The Ugliest of Seven—Drama.

Cathedral Echoes—Solo—Hallie Sorrell.

Sam and Tilly's Courtship—Duet—Allie Riggs and Amorette Bledsoe.

A May Day—Trio—Ethel, Hallie and Ollie Sorrell.

The Mousetrap—Drama.

List the Trumpet's Thrilling Sound—Chorus.

New Bethel.

John Oakley gave the young people a party last Thursday night. They reported having a good time.

Miss Ida Gates spent a few days last week with Miss Cornelia Blalock.

Miss Lillie Hall had several visitors out to see her Sunday.

Messrs J. G. Chambers, C. R. Blalock, E. R. Gates, Miss Cornelia Blalock were welcome guests at J. H. Gates, Wednesday.

E. H. Harris gave the young people a party Monday night. There was a large crowd and they all seemed to enjoy themselves fine.

There was a jolly little crowd gathered at D. M. Robinson Sunday night.

Boys after this when you go to write, to your girl be sure and look at the pencil before you write don't finish your letter and then go to read it and find it was a piece of a buggy whip you were writing with and not have a word written.

Maggie Robinson spent last Saturday night with Miss Ida Gates.

Hattie Laws was a visitor at Mrs. M. E. Wilson's Monday.

Miss Mary has come back to begin her school at Bethel.

Watch out, N. H. G.; don't get left at all. M. R.

Read the change of ad of C. E. King & Sons.

DEATH RECORD.

Miss Maggie McGhee.

Miss Maggie McGhee died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Kenny Royster, on East Chapel Hill street, Monday morning about 1 o'clock. Diabetes was the cause of her death and while she had been afflicted for sometime she was not confined to her bed a week.

Miss McGhee was about 40 years of age and she left a mother and two sisters, the sisters being Mrs. Dora Royster and Mrs. R. H. Wolf.

The funeral service was conducted from the home of the sister where she died Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock and the remains were interred in Maplewood cemetery.

Death of an Infant.

Sunday morning at an early hour, between 3 and 4 o'clock, the bright little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Pearson passed away. The child was eighteen months of age and was the only living child of this union.

The funeral services took place from the home Monday afternoon, being conducted by Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, after which the interment took place in Maplewood cemetery. Quite a large number of the friends of the family attended the funeral service and there were presented many beautiful floral tributes—tokens of love and sympathy—from friends.

The little child had been ill most of his young life and his death was no surprise to those who had been watching by the little couch.

Levi Markham.

The remains of the late Levi Markham were brought here from the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Riggsbee, at Green Level, and were interred at the Proctor burying place, about two miles from the city, Tuesday morning. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor of the Second Baptist church. The pall bearers were as follows: Messrs. W. S. Holloway, G. C. Farthing, W. H. Duke, J. W. Hamilton, J. R. Barbee and E. A. Woods. Quite a large number of friends attended the funeral. Mr. Markham was 83 years of age and lived in this section for a number of years. He leaves four children as follows: H. R. Markham, this county; Mrs. Fidelia Herndon, of Durham; Mrs. Sallie Riggsbee and W. J. Markham, of Green Level. He had a large family connection.

Mrs. W. K. Thomas.

Mrs. W. K. Thomas died at her home on Markham street Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. She had been ill for sometime with a complication of diseases and her death was not unexpected by those who had been watching by her bedside.

The funeral and burial took place Sunday afternoon, the funeral being conducted from her home at 3 o'clock. The interment took place at Maplewood cemetery immediately after the service. The funeral was conducted by Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Trinity Methodist church.

William J. Ferguson.

The editor was pained to learn of the death of William J. Ferguson, Lillian, R. F. D. No. 1, this week. He died last Tuesday morning at his home, surrounded by his wife and children and loved ones. Paralysis was the cause of his death. Of the

immediate family there are a wife and three sons, J. E., W. H. and C. E. Ferguson. Deceased was 55 years of age and had many friends in the community in which he spent most of his life.

The burial took place in the family burying ground near his late home Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

John W. Stagg.

Mr. John W. Stagg died at his home, No. 334 South street, Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock. He had been ill for sometime and his death was not unexpected.

The interment took place at his old home, near Rougemont, Wednesday, the funeral being conducted by Rev. G. W. Fisher, pastor of the Durham circuit.

Mr. Stagg was 59 years of age, was never married and left several sisters and one brother. He spent most of his life on the farm near Rougemont and one year ago he moved here, where he has resided since then. He was well known throughout the county. Several from here went to attend the funeral.

SCHOOL CENSUS FOR DURHAM COUNTY

A Falling off of Pupils.—10,375 Children of School Age.

The school census of Durham county has been completed and the figures tabulated by Superintendent C. W. Massey. The figures are interesting.

The census as reported by the census takers shows that there are now fewer children in the county than there were one year ago, the decrease occurring entirely in the ranks of the colored population, while the white population shows a slight increase.

It is shown that there are now a total of 10,375 children of school age in the county, this number being divided as follows: Outside the city limits 5,380; inside the city 4,995. Of these there are 6,689 white children and 3,686 colored children. The whites are divided as follows: Inside the city 3,235; outside the city 1,760 and outside the city limits 1,926.

The figures last year showed that there were 6,363 white children in the county, 3,456 being outside the city and 3,107 inside the city. This shows a gain of 128 inside the city and a loss of 2 on the outside of the city, a total gain of 126.

Last year there were 3,918 colored children in the county, 2,007 living in the rural sections and 1,911 inside the city. As compared with the latest census this shows a loss of 151 inside the city and a loss of 81 in the rural sections, or a total loss of 235 colored children when the reports are compared. Subtracting the gains showed by the whites from the loss of 106 in the number of children this year as compared with a year ago.

Prof. Massey was speaking of these figures and said that he was at a loss to account for the decrease as shown, but said that his report was tabulated from the reports as sent in by the census takers from all parts of the county. For two years in succession the number of children in the county has shown a decrease over the previous year.

On the basis of the figures that have just been tabulated the county school board of education will, at the meeting next week, make the apportionment for the year, this being the final per capita apportionment of the school funds.

All the city schools opened for business this week after the holidays are over.

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