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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.

**From Timberlake.**  
Mr. Lawrence does not stop for the snow, he hauled logs on last Friday, if any one has any logs that they cannot manage and want to turn into money call on Mr. Lawrence.

The good house wives were very uneasy, thinking that the snow had destroyed their turnip salad which was thriving so plentiful, but it is yet looking fresh and green.

One of our young men went to see that bright eyed little dove, and some of his rivals changed his buggy wheels by putting the front wheels behind and the hind wheels in front of his buggy, and the youngster and his father both decided that the buggy was badly under repair, and took the vehicle to a wheel right, and he told them to again change their wheels, and their buggy would be in good running condition.

Misses Etha and Jugret Rogers spent last Saturday night with Misses Lloyd and Dora Tapp.

Misses Mary and Maggie Davis of Allensville spent last Saturday night and the following Sunday, with Miss Laura Tapp.

Abbie O'Briant received on last Saturday news that his sister Mrs. Snipes, was at the point of death, so we have not heard anything more relative to her case.

At his home Rev. S. Y. Brown came to the end of life's journey on the 21 of heart failure, but was some what in a lingering condition before his death. Brother Brown seemed to realize life's final steps, and as David expressed "there is but a step between me and death," and our departed friend had made the necessary preparation for taking that step which was not alone, but Jesus the Good Shepherd was with him, so the step of death was not difficult to take as Jesus lifted him above death into those bright shining regions of celestial praise, joy and fight. Brother Brown commenced teaching school about 19 years of his age, and as a teacher he exerted a wide influence and the sun gone down left penetrating life giving rays which regenerated as its life preserver. As the babbling brooks, rivers and oceans are purified by the influence of the sun, so the impressions that our brother imparted as an instructor will live on through the ages to render homage to his worthy name.

At one time in the history of Brother Brown's life he held a county office, and if I am not mistaken it was that of county Clerk and in that office he raised himself in the estimation of the citizens of Person and did much honor to himself.

About 40 years ago he decided to enter the gospel ministry, and Rev. J. B. Thompson said of him that he had heard Brother Brown preach some sermons that were worthy of any preacher. He was a sound gospel preacher and accomplished much good as a minister in Person and adjoining counties, Helena church, which is inactive and growing is a product of his faithful labors.

About 1889 the subject of this sketch was attending the Methodist conference in Greensboro, and while there he received a telegram from Mr. Daniel Richmond, of Hurdles Mills, who advised

that time died, requesting Brother Brown to come and rear his three little children. Earl, his daughter and John and Eugene Richmond, his two sons, and there he made a success as an orphan's father for we do not know of three more high toned persons in Person county, and at his grave they wept as if he was their father. He did not squander the Richmond estate but managed it wisely and judiciously until the children reached the ages of maturity, then they looked after him as their father until death.

On the 22 which was the last 4th Sunday the deceased was conveyed from his home at Hurdles Mills by Rev. Mr. C. C. Critchard's hearse to Mt. Zion church where he held his membership, and was interred with masonic honors. The following were appointed by the Worshipful Master. Pall bearers, Charley Holman, Ira Jones, Charley Brooks, R. H. Jones, G. H. Jones and Dr. B. E. Love. We removed the casket from the hearse into the church, where very appropriate services were conducted in honor of the deceased by Revs. J. B. Floyd and J. B. Thompson. Then the last remains of Brother Brown were conducted to the grave in the church yard, and there amidst the largest concourse of people we ever saw assembled around a grave, the body of Brother Brown was buried with the honors of the Masonic fraternity conducted by Brother C. H. Hunter, the master of Roxboro Lodge where Brother Brown was a member and the order that he loved next to his church.

Our Brother had honored God, and was a true man, honest, generous, loyal and religious. His faith was steadfast in God, and was his anchor in passing through the chambers of death. His virtues were greatly to be praised. His life was a benediction to thousands while his departure makes earth sad, let us look up and see him among the angel host made glad. ROPER.

**Death of Mr. Dunn.**  
Rev. J. S. Dunn, chaplain of the R. F. Webb camp of confederate veterans, died Saturday morning at his home on Pearl mill hill after an illness of many weeks.

Mr. Dunn was a retired Methodist minister and had been about the city but little recently but was always strong enough to attend the reunion. He was a devoted confederate and in the church was as militant as upon the battlefield. He went through the army and served his section well.

Mr. Dunn was a member of the Methodist Protestant faith. He had not done active ministerial service in several years, however preaching occasionally in other pulpits. He leaves a wife, two sons and a daughter, a brother, 80 years old, and a sister living in Bladen county. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

This is the last issue in March and all that have not paid within a limit of nine months will be discontinued alike. After this issue if you do not receive your paper just remember that we must comply with the ruling of the postoffice department.

### DEATH OF EARL S. TATUM.

Small-Pox the Cause.--Died in the Philippine Islands.

Mr. J. W. Tatum yesterday received a message from Chief Edwards of the insular bureau department at Washington, announcing the death of Mr. Tatum's son, Earl J. Tatum, Sunday in the Philippine Islands.

The telegram bore no news further than the story that a cablegram had been received by the chief. That official wired Mr. Tatum: "Regret to inform you that a cablegram has just been received from the governor general of the Philippines that Earl J. Tatum died March 29 of smallpox and that the body had been cremated."

There is not one circumstance that is not infinitely sad in the chronicle of this death. Young Tatum had been upon the point of coming back to America and Durham and one year ago had almost decided to do this. But he was unusually successful and the opportunity for doing work and making his reputation were so enticing that he decided to remain over another year. He had been promoted and was making money very rapidly in the service.

Mr. Tatum left Durham five years ago and went to Washington. There he was electrician in the service and was so much liked that he was promoted to better work in the Philippines. He was called to the Philippines as electrical engineer and took his position in November of 1904. He grew steadily in the graces of those higher up and at the time of his death was doing handsomely. One of his fine traits was shown Christmas when he made his father a Christmas gift of \$500 earned in the service of the government. Recently it had installed some large automobiles in the work there and his last word written to his home people was of those big machines that he was putting in shape for use. He reveled in his work.

The saddest item of the death of this young man, but 23, is that within ten days he was to have been married to Miss Ellison, who is a niece of the governor general. They would have celebrated their wedding next week and the sudden and shocking death falls as heavily upon her as upon the father whose latter several years has been filled with grief. Mr. Tatum lost his wife nearly three years ago, and while crushed by the death of his son, had a little grandson in Virginia now at the point of death and a relative living twenty miles from Durham also critically ill. His son, Mr. B. C. Tatum, was here yesterday returning from a visit to his aunt who is so low and while here received the message of his brother's death and later of the dangerous illness of his little boy. He went immediately home.

In Durham, where the young Mr. Earl Tatum attended school, lived, worked and spent his boyhood, there is no end to the sorrow felt over his death in a foreign land. The shock and the sadness are complete and they touch the family and friends wholly unprepared for such distressing news.

**Death of a Child.**  
Little Ethelyn Proctor, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Proctor, died at the home of her parents 301 Pettigrew street, Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock of dyptheria after a week's illness. The funeral took place Saturday at 3 o'clock from the Proctor burying ground.

### A Very Enormous Hog.

When Mr. E. B. Cozart was in the office the other day, he was asked about the enormous hog that he owns. Mr. Cozart is preparing to take a trip and is mapping out his itinerary. He will first exhibit the monstrosity in Durham, where he will remain for a week. He will from there travel South to New Orleans, stopping at Atlanta, Montgomery and other cities on the route. Coney Island will be his next point and, after completing the allotted time there, Mr. Cozart will journey to Niagara Falls and over in Canada as far as Toronto.

Mr. Cozart has been in eleven States with his hog, having spent six months at the Jamestown Exposition last year.

The animal weighs 1460 pounds and is of prodigious dimensions. He is 8 feet, 4 inches in girth and measures 9 feet, 2 inches from tip to tip. To give some idea of his vast proportions, Mr. Cozart says that his hogship is three inches larger in girth than the largest horse known to be in existence in the country, which is the Moroccan horse now on exhibition in Toronto, Canada, and wonderful to say, the hog has achieved all his distinction in the space of 3 short years, which is the animal's age. He certainly ought to be proud of self, for he won a gold medal at Jamestown.

Mr. Cozart says the hog is a very small eater, and fed on meal and apples, with a few sweet potatoes to diversify his diet. He seems to thrive on that bill of fare, for he has never been sick. In spite of his corpulency, he is able to get about remarkably well.

He is an aristocratic hog, for he has a good pedigree. He is a cross between the big bone and little bone Poland China, but as to why he grew to such colossal proportions, nobody knows. He is a freak of nature.—Oxford Ledger

This hog will be exhibited in Durham from April 6 to 12.

**Thirty-Six Baptized.**  
The West Durham Baptist meeting closed last Friday night after ten days and its successfulness is pronounced in the thirty-six penitents who received the rite of Baptism.

The revival was conducted by Rev. J. J. Beach, who came here from Kings Mountain and preached stirring sermons every night. At each service there was a tremendous crowd and last night the church was not able to hold them. Concluding the series of meetings was the baptismal service in the pool arranged in the church and the thirty-six candidates for baptism were prepared. There were 14 girls and 22 boys, all of whom were baptized by Rev. O. W. Triplett, the pastor, who aided Mr. Beach in the services.

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