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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 5.

Mr. J. M. Lea whose hand was badly hurt in a wheat drill, a account of which was given in these columns, has been at the Watts hospital for the last week suffering with blood poison, was able to come home Sunday to spend the day, intending to return to the hospital Monday.

S. J. Hester, who has been sick for a long time is convalescent, he and his wife spent Saturday with the writer at his home in Orange county.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hester has been right sick but is improving.

Mrs. John Nicol, who has been sick for some time, is getting better.

After writing such a beautiful and truthful poem on Johnson's old grey mare, some of my erstwhile friends actuated by envy and fearing that a second edition of the same may cause them to drop to the earth with heart disease, or some other stomach trouble, caused by too much excitement, have threatened to lay me out if I repeat the offense. But knowing how the world is longing for such brilliant, effulgent and uplifting verses, I defy them and contribute a few more lines to the literature of the world, to go down in classic as too deep for ordinary understanding, and for those who can to keep under the front door step.

Its strange to me that some people can't get any sense out of such verses, as for me I can, as you will discover that I have taken it all out.

Reply to criticism on other poems:

It's strange to me they cannot see

That for truth this poem was a boon,

It's plain to me as plain can be

That they are crazy as a loon.

Now what if I did say Johnson's old grey mare was black,

It cannot be disputed

For what is grey but white and black,

Now that can't be refuted.

Mr. W. T. Neal has been having chills, but is able to be out again.

J. G. Latta from South Lebanon, spent Friday night with his daughter, Mrs. Bessie Hester.

We are glad to report Eddie Couch able to be up again, after being confined to her bed for 6 months with the white swelling.

Mr. Don Paschall is building a blacksmith shop at Durham. He is a good smith and I predict him a large patronage.

B. F. H.

Rougemont, Route 1.

Misses Emma, Pattie and Annie Rhew, have gotten home from their schools. Their many friends are glad to welcome their home coming.

Miss Florence Thomasson of Rock Hill, S. C., has been visiting Miss Corinne Bowling. She left on the eight o'clock train Monday night for Durham, where she will visit friends before returning to her home.

The Rougemont school is getting on nicely, quite a crowd attended the exercises last Friday night. The children did well, and showed good training from their teachers. The program was well gotten up and every one

seemed to enjoy the exercises.

Hauling rock seems to be all go at Rougemont, getting ready for the road.

Mrs. C. A. Andrews has returned home after a visit to her parents who live in Virginia. While she was visiting her parents her youngest child, Leonard, was taken sick and died. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have the sympathy of their many friends in this time of deep sorrow. Mr. Anderson is one of our popular merchants at Rougemont.

The people in this section are pleased with the telephone system they have.

Rougemont Items.

Our village is growing wonderfully, a millinery store will open here this week.

The rock hauling is still in progress. Several new teams have joined in to haul.

There is not much sickness in our midst now, I am glad to know.

The mad-dog scare is the cry. Our school will continue about three weeks longer.

Visiting in progress, right much was done Sunday.

A fishing party went out Saturday afternoon, all seemed to have enjoyed the sport.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Tilley spent Sunday afternoon with Capt. and Mrs. William Parrish. Misses Willie and Nannie Gates entertained a number of their friends Sunday.

Henry Laws has accepted a position with Reade Bros. at Helena. We all wish him much success.

WILLIE.

Lowe's Grove School.

There will be a public debate given at Lowe's Grove School Saturday night April 4, 1908, beginning at 7 o'clock.

The query will be, "Resolved that the books of nature are more beautiful than man's work of art."

Those who discuss the affirmative will be Misses Ila Ferrell, Allene Greene, Ava Ferrell and Charlie Hopson. The supporters of the negative will be, Miss Lillie High, Messrs. Excel Ferrell, Ed Hopson, and Ed Lowe. The public is cordially invited to attend the debate.

Tar Heel Council No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M., will present our school with a flag and Bible at our closing exercises April 17, and we are anticipating a big time.

I. B. M.

New Bethel.

Our farmers are now busy breaking up corn land and planting their vegetables.

Their seem to be but little sickness in the community.

There was a right good crowd attended services out at Berry's Grove Sunday.

Their were several young people gathered at W. G. Hall's Sunday.

Misses Bertha and Maggie Robinson spent a short while at Dox Robinson Saturday night.

Mr. Charlie Cates, and Brother Johnnie, of Roxboro Route 5, was a visitor of this neighborhood Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. R. W. Laws spent Sunday in Durham visiting friends.

Mrs. Ida McBroom has returned to her home in Roxboro after a week's stay visiting relatives in this community.

Their was several young peo-

le gathered at D. M. Robinson's Sunday afternoon.

Jessie the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Harris has been right sick, but is much improved we are glad to say.

Miss Carrie Gates has returned home after spending a few days with her sister Miss Judie Gates, of Durham.

I guess Mr. W. G. aims to have plenty of potatoes this year, as he planted four bushels.

Their was a young man started home with some ladies last Sunday evening, and he was asked why he didn't he go all the way, and he replied I was afraid of those dogs. Girls you must learn your dogs not to bite.

Gorman Notes.

The farmers cannot do very much plowing owing to the continual fall of rain.

The fruit is mostly all killed in this section. Guess we will have to depend on blackberries and grapes for our use.

There is not so much sickness has been around here. Dr. Hicks almost makes daily visits to different ones in the community.

Miss Belle Markham returned to her school at Rogers Store Sunday, her friends will be glad to know she is well enough to to open her school again.

Mr. Dock Gooch, recently received a sad message telling of the death of his father at Stems, Mr. Gooch, had been in declining health for sometime and the end came as no surprise. He left a large family and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Mr. Wiley Sykes, is well enough to be back at her duty as milliner for Kronheimer.

Mrs. Rogers, has returned from several weeks stay with her sons near Creedmoor.

J. T. Glenn is no better I am sorry to learn.

The teachers at Glenn's school are putting right much time on practicing the children for a concert to be given at the close of the school which will be in May.

We think they should give a good entertainment one that will be enjoyed by all.

W. T. Holloway spent Wednesday and Thursday in Durham.

Ballard Waller was a Gorman visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Obe Tingen, Misses Flora, and Lucy Rogers, Lenda Beasley and Messrs. L. S. Riggsbee, Fred Fletcher, Will Wilkins, W. T. Shaw, Mr. Adkins and T. C. Markham, recently were the guests at Mrs. E. A. Markham.

G. C.

Morrisville Route 2.

Farmers of this community are about through sowing oats and early garden seeds, and are hurrying to get ready for planting corn.

The Union meeting closed last Sunday which was held at Union Grove school apart of last week, a large crowd attended the meeting and seemed to enjoy it.

J. H. Lynn came very near losing a horse last week. He tied the horse's head down to his front feet, to keep the horse from jumping the pasture fence, and the horse was grazing around a pond, and by some means he got over in the water, and they found him just in time to save his life.

Am glad to report there is but little sickness in this section at present.

Miss Lola Ferguson of Durham was a welcome visitor in this community, by relatives and friends last week.

Misses Maggie Coe and Mary Wall of Edgemont were welcome visitors in this community last Saturday and Sunday.

N. C. Martin has bought a new top buggy guess he expect to keep the hot sun off of some pretty girl.

Ernest Terry and Hattie Jacob were united in marriage Monday night at J. U. Horton's. Mr. Horton, Justice of the Peace, spoke the words that made them man and wife, the couple came from Leesville neighborhood.

J. W. Thompson was run over by a wagon, the horse was running and jerked him under the wheel, recently.

W. G. Marshall stated that somebody borrowed near a half bushel of onions out of his cotton house, but the onion getter did not make himself known.

I understand that Nat Robertson was at work on a house recently and he slipped off and hurt himself right bad but he is now able to be at his farm work.

The writer got an April fool the first day of April. I heard some one hollow and I walked out and saw a woman, I thought, I walked up a little closer finding it was a funny looking object similar to a woman. Not knowing who it was, after having a conversation I learned that it was my brother, he slipped around and dressed in his mother's clothes, you all can imagine what a funny looking object he was.

J. F. F.

The Baptist Church Dedicated.

The Roxboro Baptist church was dedicated last Sunday morning. Rev. G. T. Watkins, the retiring pastor, preached the sermon. He was assisted in the service by Rev. J. A. Hornaday, pastor of the Methodist church here. The choir, under the guidance of Mrs. O. P. Schaub, rendered some excellent music, suitable to the occasion. The solo by Miss Pettigrew was beautifully rendered, in fact there are few who have a better voice than Miss Pettigrew, and the congregation always enjoy her singing.

At night the pastor preached his farewell sermon, closing a pastorate of more than six years, and we venture to say that no time during the six years has Mr. Watkins been held in higher esteem than at the present time. He is a good preacher and a hard worker, and will be missed not only by his church but by the community. He leaves this week for his new field and carries with him the best wishes of the people of Roxboro, regardless of denomination. His family will not go until the fall.—Roxboro Courier.

Wesley Sparkman was bound over to court by Justice Owens Thursday for not supporting his wife. His bond was fixed at \$50.00, which he could not give and went to jail.

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