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THE RAILROAD WRECK.

ONE MAN KILLED—NO OTHERS SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Inferior Equipment Causes the Wreck—No Air Brakes in Use and the Hand Brakes not Sufficient to Stop Train.

The TIMES-EXTRA which was gotten out last Saturday in a short time after the Railroad wreck occurred here, gave the particulars of the wreck, but as the Extra did not reach all of our subscribers, we will tell more about it this week.

As is well known by nearly everybody who has ever traveled on the Louisburg Railroad, there is a steep grade from the water tank to the "Terrell place" a distance of about one mile, and it was down this grade the train came rolling last Saturday morning, and could not be stopped on account of the fact that there were no air brakes. Engineer Teeter reversed the engine, and the hand brakes were applied, but the train had such a start that it could not be stopped, and when it reached the passenger station, the terminus of the line, the engine went over the embankment into Main street a distance of about 30 feet, followed by the tender and a loaded freight car. The two passenger cars were prevented by the loaded freight car, from going over, and they remained on the track. There were several passengers on the train, some of whom jumped off while the others remained in the cars until the coaches came to a stop. The engineer, fireman and conductor all jumped just in time to save their lives—Conductor Williams jumping from the top of the freight car.

At first it was given out that no one was seriously hurt, but just as the TIMES-EXTRA was being distributed a man was caught under the tender. A crowd rushed to the depot and with picks, shovels and jack screws soon extricated the dead body of Tom Macon, colored, the 22-year old son of Chas Macon, a driver for J. J. Hayes. Tom was standing in the street below and was caught under the runaway engine before he could get out of the way. He was buried by his people on Sunday.

The wreck could have been prevented if the air brakes had been in order, and no blame can possibly attach to the train crew, as it is stated that they had given notice of the inferiority of the equipment. It looks like gross negligence on the part of those "higher up."

The wrecking crew came Saturday night, but were ordered to the Main line to look after another wreck near Monroe, before they started to work on the wreck here. They returned Sunday afternoon and by 4 o'clock Monday morning had everything cleaned up, and trains were running regular again on Monday.

A very large crowd of our people assembled near the depot Sunday and stood for hours witnessing the swift work of the "professionals" in removing the wreck. People came for ten miles to see the wreck. It was the worst and only serious wreck that has ever occurred on the Louisburg Railroad since its completion in 1885.

The Movers.

With the beginning of the new year, the "movers" begin to move, and up to date we note the following in town:

W. M. Boone has moved to his place (the W. B. Uzzell homestead) at Mapleville, and R. P. Taylor is occupying the King place vacated by Mr. Boone. Mrs. Jennie B. Hart has moved to the Stokes place vacated by Mr. Taylor, and the house vacated by Mrs. Hart will be occupied by Dr. C. D. H. Fort, who will move his family here from Oxford this week.

R. G. Allen has moved to his new residence recently purchased from D. F. McKinne (the Joe Kearney place) and O. C. Gregory will occupy the place vacated by Mr. Allen, while D. F. McKinne will occupy the new cottage just completed by Mrs. Foster. Mrs. Caddie Strickland has moved in the new house recently built by Miss Lucy Perry, and Mrs. Deri Jackson has moved to the house (which she has recently purchased) vacated by Mrs. Strickland. M. S. Clifton has moved to the place vacated by Mrs. Jackson, which he recently purchased from Miss Lucy Perry, and W. E. Uzzell will occupy his new residence on Academy street, which is now nearly completed. W. E. Murphy has moved to his place just beyond Fox swamp, and the house vacated by him will be occupied by B. H. Meadows. J. L. Palmer has moved his Beef Market in the store house adjoining Allen Bro.'s large brick stables on Nash street, and E. Odum will occupy the Carlyle store, vacated by Mr. Palmer. J. D. Alston has moved into his new residence on Main street.

Underhill—Egerton.

A very pretty home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. F. N. Egerton, the bride's father, on Thursday morning of last week, at 9:30 o'clock, the contracting parties being Mr. Wingate Underhill, of Wilmington, and Miss Florence May Egerton. Rev. L. S. Massey performed the ceremony. The groom is a teacher in the Graded School of Wilmington and is one of the State's prominent educators. The bride is also a teacher, having taught in the Graded Schools of Kinston and Louisburg, also the Louisburg College. She is a young lady of charming disposition and has a large circle of friends at home and abroad.

The wedding march was played by Miss Sallie Green, and the following were the attendants: L. C. Brogden, best man, Miss Blanche Egerton, maid of honor; Misses Mabel Davis and May Jones, and Messrs. F. N. Egerton, Jr., and W. W. Boddie. Ribbon bearers: Misses Kathleen and Mary Stuart Egerton and Masters Weldon and Graham Egerton.

The bride's gown was of Paillette de Royal. Her bridal veil was pinned with a pearl brooch, the gift of the groom, and she carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. The maid of honor wore point d'esprit over taffeta, and carried white carnations.

The bridesmaids were dressed in white silk and carried pink carnations.

The ribbon girls wore white mull. The ball and parlor of the beautiful residence were tastily and appropriately decorated with holly and evergreens, while the ceremony was performed under a beautiful bridal arch of holly and mistletoe.

The newly wedded couple left on the 11:20 train for a visit to the groom's parents. They will make their home in Wilmington.

The Negroes Emancipate.

Quite a large crowd of colored people celebrated their Emancipation in Louisburg on Tuesday—New Year's Day. The day being pleasant the exercises were held on the Court House square. Several speeches were made, the principal speaker being Rev. N. A. Cheek. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. J. A. Hawkins, and the speech of welcome was made by W. M. Alston. Oscar Williamson was master of ceremonies and the Mapleville brass band made the music. The crowd was very orderly and the speaker gave his race good advice. We heard no unfavorable comments upon the President for discharging the negro soldiers, as was the case in other places.

COL. J. F. JONES DEAD.

ONE OF THE COUNTY'S MOST PROMINENT CITIZENS.

He was Married Four Times, and is Survived by His Last Wife—All of His Children Preceded Him to the Grave.

In the death of Col. Jordan F. Jones, which occurred at his home at Laurel on Friday evening last, the county has lost another of its best and most highly esteemed citizens. There were few people who knew Col. Jones but that loved and admired him, and he will be greatly missed in his community. He was born in November 1821, and was therefore 85 years of age. He outlived all of his children, and was four times married. His first wife was Miss Lucy Stamper, his second, Miss Harriet E. Person, his third Miss Sallie M. Person, and his fourth, Mrs. Annie Perry, who survives.

The funeral services were held at his residence last Saturday morning, conducted by Rev. G. M. Duke, and the interment took place at the cemetery here, the burial services being conducted by Rev. L. S. Massey. The following were the active pall-bearers: John Foster, W. T. Cooper, Patrick Bledsoe, H. P. Speed, J. H. Harper, Charlie Gupton. Honorary pall-bearers—H. D. Edgerton, L. P. Hicks, W. H. Ruffin, Ivey Allen, W. W. Boddie and J. A. Thomas.

Quite a large procession accompanied the remains from Laurel to the Cemetery.

(A suitable obituary by a friend will appear in a future issue—EDITOR.)

The Wagon Factory.

President G. H. Cooper, of the Louisburg Wagon Manufacturing Company, informs us that the stockholders of said company had a meeting on Wednesday and elected the following directors for another year: C. B. Cheatham, S. P. Burt, F. N. Egerton, R. C. Perry, W. W. Boddie, M. C. Pleasants, C. J. Burton. The directors elected the following officers: President G. H. Cooper; Vice President, Wm. Bailey; Secretary and Treasurer, Ivey Allen.

A dividend of 25 per cent was declared, which makes a fine showing for the first year's business for the company. It was decided to increase the capital stock to \$50,000, and any one wishing to take stock in a home enterprise that is paying such good dividends should jump at the opportunity of investing their money in "Wagon Factory Stock."

Marriages.

During the month of December the Register of Deeds of this county issued licenses to the following:

WHITE.—C. J. Barrow and Lelia E. Winston, T. H. Brinkly and Ann Fuller, Tollie M. Conn and Janet Edwards, O. D. Duke and Lizzie Kearney, C. C. Dement and Mattie E. Harris, Ernest Gupton and Fannie Inscow, Luther Harper and Addie Mitchell, H. O. Hill and Laney Clifton, S. W. Hayes and Nettie Long, Edgar Harris and Ada Gupton, A. F. Johnson and Sadie N. Thomas, Jonas Parrish and Mrs. Nancy Denton, Charlie Powell and Mary Young, Albert Pernell and Ella Faulkner, W. C. Ransdale and Geneva E. Burnett, Will Rogers and Ressie Loyd, Billy Tucker and Lucy Jenkins, J. H. Timberlake and Mary L. Winston, R. E. Timberlake and Mrs. Lena W. Timberlake, Eugene Thompson and Katie Nowell, J. A. Underhill and Maggie A. Perry, Wingate Underhill and Florence May Egerton, Willie Winn and Carrie V. Nelms, J. W. Wiggins and Belia Bridges, J. L. Wester, and Jessie West.

COLOR.—Wm. Avant and Har-

riet Woodlief, Plummer Baptist and Daisy Dunston, John Black and Mary Williams, Arch Canady and Lella Pascal, Ernest Clifton and Sapetta Gale, James Conyers and Mandy Moss, James Egerton and Anna Mann, Geo. Evans and Mary Hendricks, Bryant Green and Lizzie Perry, Lewis Hunt and Corn Terrall, John Joyner and Jane Thomas, Walter Johnson and Kate Gill, Oscar Jones and Rachel Chavis, Rufus Ligan and Harry Hart, Wm. Neal and Julia Dunston Lewis Person and Mary Alston, Henry Perry and Lavonia Perry, Augusta Perry and Lucinda Brodie, Amos Perry and Helen Smith, Z. B. Perry and Lillie Neal, W. E. Pulley and Randy Jones, Vick Wilkins and Sue Davis, Dave Williams and Emma Allen, Richmond Williams and Emily Perry, Edward Wiggins and Camelia Norwood.

Double Marriage.

A double marriage took place in the Baptist church at Youngsville, on the 19th of December, the contracting parties being two brothers and two sisters. The marriage of Mr. J. H. Timberlake and Miss Mary L. Winston, had been announced for some time and the ceremony was performed in the presence of a large congregation, by Rev. T. B. Justice, but when the second couple—Mr. R. E. Timberlake and Mrs. Lena W. Timberlake—who were among the attendants of the first couple, presented themselves at the altar, there was great surprise on the faces of nearly everyone present, as they had kept it a secret from the other attendants. When they presented themselves, however, with the "proper papers," the preacher proceeded to make them man and wife.

The grooms are sons of the late J. S. Timberlake and the brides are daughters of Mr. B. H. Winston, two of the most prominent and highly esteemed families of the county.

Mitchener—Mitchener.

A beautiful home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. Jno. R. Mitchener, father of the bride on Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock, when Mr. W. F. Mitchener and Miss Nannie Mitchener were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, by Rev. T. B. Justice, of Franklinton. Mr. James Mitchener was best man and Miss Eula Mitchener was maid of honor. The following were the other attendants:

James Green and Miss Bell Mitchener, William Turner and Miss Emily Mitchener, Ed. Nicholson and Miss Nellie Mitchener, Matthew Wilder and Miss Pattie Bowers, Witt Wilder and Miss Fannie Jones, Philo Thompson and Miss Nina Wilder, Willie Jones and Miss Sallie Y. Harris.

Miss Sallie Upperman, of Louisburg presided at the organ, and when the ceremonies were over the bridal party went immediately to the home of the groom's father, Mr. A. D. Mitchner, where, together with a number of invited friends, they were feasted with a sumptuous repast, consisting of barbecue and all of its attendants.

The presents were numerous and costly.

The bride and groom have a host of friends who will join us in extending good wishes for a long and happy life.

To Celebrate Lee's Birthday.

The Daughters of the Confederacy of Louisburg will celebrate General Lee's Birthday on Saturday, January 19th, and the TIMES is requested to ask all of its veterans to be on hand. Speeches will be made by prominent men, and other suitable exercises will be had. The programme in detail will appear in our next issue.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

And Those Who Come and Go, Some for Pleasure, Some for Business and a Large Number Because They Like It.

J. S. Strickland paid Kenly a visit last week.

Jones Cooke, of Youngsville, was in town Monday night.

Mr. R. O. Bissett spent the holidays with his people in Weldon.

Misses Glennie and Ava Aycooke were at home to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Limer, of Afton, visited her father the past week.

Mr. J. C. Washington, of Florence S. C., visited his brothers here this week.

Mr. W. F. Washington spent the holidays with his people in Oxford.

Mr. E. W. Harper returned Monday night from taking his holidays.

Dr. E. S. Green, of Monroe, came home to see his people during the holidays.

Ernest Hale, of the TIMES force, visited Rocky Mount during the holidays.

Mr. Arthur Arrington and family, of Atlanta, are visiting his mother, at Mapleville.

Mr. W. H. Beddingfield, of Rocky Mount spent Christmas with his children here.

W. H. Wilcox, returned Tuesday from a visit to his people in Halifax county.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Beck returned from a visit to Richmond and Weldon, Monday.

Mr. F. B. McKinne and family returned this week from a visit to relatives in Johnston.

Leslie Johnson, of Rocky Mount, spent the holidays visiting friends and relatives in town.

Messrs. Henry and Joe Clifton, of McGregor, Texas, are visiting relatives in this county.

Messrs. E. S. Green and C. M. Vaughan went to New York on a business trip during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferrel Parrish and family, of Durham, visited their people here during the holidays.

Mr. A. W. Alston and family spent a portion of the holidays with friends in Johnston county.

Mr. H. T. Beasley and wife spent a portion of the holidays with relatives in Lumberton and Pittsboro.

Mr. D. N. Wallace, of Morehead City, was a visitor here during the holidays, on "very important" business.

Mr. E. L. Gower, of Johnston county, was a caller at the TIMES office this week and subscribed for the TIMES.

Miss Edith Yarborough, who is teaching in Richmond County, came home and spent the holidays with her people here.

Miss Alice Spruill spent the holidays with friends in Charlotte, and Miss Martha Byrd Spruill is visiting relatives in Selma.

Miss Lucy Coppedge, of Greensboro, spent the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Sarah E. Newell, near Mapleville.

Miss Annie Strickland, who has a position as teacher in the Graded School at Lexington, came home to spend the holidays with her people.

Miss Harrison and Joyner returned in the Graded School, returned Tuesday from a visit to their homes in Littleton and La-Grange.

Their friends were delighted to see Mr. T. A. Person and wife here the past week. They like Greenville very well, but say that there is no place like Louisburg.

We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. S. T. Bennett, who came over from Apex and spent a few days during the Christmas holidays. He says that Apex is "a hummer."

Mr. B. G. Rodwell, who has been with Mr. B. G. Hicks the past year left this week for his old home in Warrenton. It is his purpose to attend a Business College.

His host of friends are glad to see Mr. R. T. Carlyle in town. His home is now in Savannah, Ga., but he is traveling for Swift & Co., his territory being the state of Florida.

Mr. W. W. Devin, who has many friends here, came over from Oxford and spent last Monday in Louisburg. He says that he has a warm spot in his heart for Louisburg, as it feels like home to him.

Rev. Mack Stamps, a Baptist divine of Tuscaloosa, Ala., arrived here with his family about two weeks ago. They have been guests of his brother-in-law, Mr. W. H. Ruffin, until this week, when they moved to the "Ruffin place" near town. The TIMES is glad to note that they will make Louisburg their home. Pending the call of a regular pastor of the Baptist church here Mr. Stamps will, by invitation, preach for that congregation.

A Franklin County Boy Promoted.

The TIMES is glad to note the promotion of Mr. E. H. Baker, a Franklin county boy, and a son of our townsmen, Mr. Geo. S. Baker. For some time by has been clerk to the State Auditor, but on the first of January he was promoted to the Chief Clerkship to said office, which position carries a salary of \$1,500 per annum. Mr. Baker is an efficient "young" man, and the TIMES congratulates both him and the State Auditor.

Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll of the Babcock school for the fall term ending December 21st 1906:

1st Grade—Ernest Layton, Ethel Edwards, Bonnie Hayes.
2nd Grade—Pauline Bowden, Viola Bowden, Emma Bowden, Hubert Layton, Albert Medlin.
4th Grade—Izzie Bunn, Robert Layton, Talmage Moses.
6th Grade—Mayme Layton, Oscar Moses, George Bowden.
(Miss) PEARLE STALLINGS, teacher.

—There is a structure which every graduate from our school in building, young and old, rich and poor, each one for himself. It is called "character," and every act of your lives is a stone for this structure. If day by day you are careful to build your lives with pure, upright deeds, at the end you will stand a fair temple, honored by God and man. But as one leak will sink a ship, and one flaw break a chain, so one mean, dishonorable act will work its influence on your character. Then let the several deeds unite to form a day and one by one the days grow into noble years, and the years as they slowly pass will raise at last a beautiful edifice enduring forever to your praise, and you will cherish with the utmost tenderness the memories of your school life. The old school houses the familiar walks about the place the desk upon which you wrote your name, all indelibly stored away in memory never to be forgotten.