

THE CAPE FEAR.

A Trip Down the Historic Old River From Elizabethtown to Wilmington.

Written for The Robesonian.

Rev. Mr. Davidson's sermon in the court house in Elizabethtown Thanksgiving Day, brought vividly before us the day when the Pilgrim Fathers first returned thanks to the Ruler of the Universe, for "all His benefits to man." Following this, Mr. Bayard Clark talked finely on a subject dear to many of the listeners—the future of the Cape Fear river, when as one of the important rivers of the South, plied by fine steamers, she would successfully compete with the railroads—the stream free to all craft, versus the monopoly of the railways. The sea coast, I believe it is claimed, will be brought 100 miles inward, making Fayetteville a seaport town.

These talks were fresh in the memory of the writer when in the early days of December, after breakfasting at Mrs. Hall's well-spread table, she gave the last tug at the suit case lock, stepped into the postoffice, standing at the bridge, spanning the "Tory Hole," where the vanquished Tory, in the years gone by, yielded to the Whig, paused a moment in the "brick store," standing in proud pre-eminence since "the sixties" of Civil War, and passed down the winding road, by the Newton-Wilkinson brick yard, to the beautiful landing, where the moment's stop shows ferry with its usual busy accompaniment of man and team to be transported across, to the village nestling on brow of hill. The place must be something of a ship yard too, for there in evidence is a boat under construction. A tramway running from the fine Newton-McArthur lumber plant to the water gives the final picturesque touch to the view. "Pappy," otherwise Belah, a noted character, comes up with his hearty laugh.

Around the bend "The Lisbon," a steamer new in the upper waters of the river, but likely to become an institution, on account of the "day trips" to the "City by the Sea," heaves in sight, "All aboard," and Elizabethtown passes from the vision. The day is crisp. Old Sol flings his warmest December rays lavishly. Seated at rear of ladies cabin, one keenly enjoys the vista, looking at receding points. The first glance, is entrancing, for as the wheel revolves, throwing its spray, a tiny rainbow is evolved, showing the long day out, whenever the wheel is in proper angle with sunrays. "Sugar Loaf," the underground drainage of White Lake, makes one feel the land of prisms has been reached, for the long crescent radiates every gleam of the rainbow. The eye revels in the changing panorama. Perhaps some long stretch shows exquisite foliage, enough of autumn's tinting remaining to give the needed touch of color to sombre pine and cypress. Some monarch of the forest tosses moss-draped limbs against a brilliant red or yellow, while clinging bamboo transform an otherwise skeleton with wondrous beauty. Some turn changes the river into lake, there being no suggestion of outlet beyond.

At yonder landing lies a great pile of cotton bales ready for steamer; here teams and logs show rafting begun; there rises smoke, where a busy farmer turns some of his labor into sweetness—sugar cane syrup; down some steep cut barrels of turpentine find their way to the boat's deck. Now some poor frightened ox is dragged and goaded over the broad cattle way, a victim later on in some market stall. Raft after raft of cross ties, saw logs, wood, pass in review, the crews exchanging cheery greetings. A busy tug whiffs by.

The banks of the next landing, perhaps, rise scarce above the water's edge. Again, as at Walker's Bluff, the trees on the summit seem striving to reach the skies. For many, many miles, whether towering cliff, or low elevation, is seen a dark strata in unbroken line, called "Indian soap," "disintegrated schale," etc.

As sunset tints merge into twilight, the shower of sparks look like fairyland. The lights along the shore, where the shipper patiently awaits the boat that is to carry his "porkers" to market, shine out more vividly. Before the era of "wooding" passes from the Cape Fear, one should see the craft glide close to the shore, fasten her "bow lines" around tree, root or stake, throw out gang plank and with six or eight strong deck hands,

SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS

On the Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott for the International Press Bible Question Club.

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Golden Text—If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. I John 1:9.

The following questions may be used as an original lesson, or as a review of the thirteen preceding lessons. The date and title of each lesson, where found, Golden Text, and one question from each lesson follow.

Oct. 1. The Prophet Ezekiel a Watchman. Ezek. iii. Golden Text—Hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. Ezek. iii:17.

(1.) Verse 7—What is the effect of preaching the gospel upon those who will not hear?

Oct. 8. The Life Giving Stream. Ezek. xlvii:1-12. Golden Text—Whoever will, let him take of the water of life freely. Rev. xxii:17.

(2.) Verses 1-2—What does water, when used in the bible as a figure of speech, generally stand for? (This is one of the questions that may be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Oct. 15. The Return From Captivity. Ezra i:1-11; ii:1-70. Golden Text—He retaineth not his anger forever, because he delighteth in mercy. Micah, vii:18.

(3.) Verses 1-2—Where were the Jews as a people, at the opening of this lesson, and what were the circumstances which took them there?

Oct. 22. The Foundation of the Second Temple Laid. Ezra iii:1-13. Golden Text—Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise. Ps. cxi:4.

(4.) Verse 1—Which should have the right of way, or first place, our own business or that of the church?

Oct. 29. A Psalm of Deliverance. Ps. lxxxv. Golden Text—The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad. Ps. cxxvi:3.

(5.) Verse 1—How much of the prosperity of our land and nation depends upon the favor of the Lord?

Nov. 5. Esther Pleading for Her People. Esther iv:1-3. Golden Text—The Lord preserveth all them that love him. Ps. cxlv:20.

(6.) Verses 1-3—What were the circumstances which caused Mordecai to rend his clothes and put on sackcloth?

Nov. 12. World's Temperance Sunday. Belshazzar's Feast and Fate. Dan. v. Golden Text—God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. Eccl. xii:14.

(7.) Verse 1—What is the social, intellectual, and moral value, of "smokers" and drinking parties?

Nov. 19. Ezra's Journey to Jerusalem. Ezra viii:15-36. Golden Text—The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek him. Ezra viii:22.

(8.) Verses 15-20—Who and what was Ezra?

Nov. 26. Nehemiah's Prayer. Neh. i. Golden Text—The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James v:16.

(9.) Verses 1-3—By whom, and when, had the wall of Jerusalem been broken down?

Dec. 3. Nehemiah Rebuilds the Wall of Jerusalem. Neh. iv. Golden Text—Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong. I Cor. xvi:13.

(10.) Verse 1—What progress had been made up to this time in rebuilding the wall of Jerusalem, and how had the work been done?

Dec. 10. Nehemiah and His Enemies. Neh. vi. Golden Text—The Lord is the strength of my life: of whom shall I be afraid. Ps. xxvii:1.

(11.) Verse 1-2—When God is blessing us with great success in our work, how does that generally affect those who are doing similar work and why is it so?

Dec. 17. Ezra Teaches the Law. Neh. viii. Golden Text—The law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul. Ps. xix:7.

(12.) Verses 1-5—Where was this great meeting of the Jews held, what was its object and result?

Dec. 24. Malachi Rebuking and Encouraging Judah. Mal. iii:1-13. Golden Text—Return unto me and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. Mal. iii:7.

(13.) Verse 9—If a man does not pay to God's cause, at least ten per cent of his earnings, does the Lord regard him as a robber? Give your reasons.

Dec. 24. Christmas Lesson. Jesus Born in Bethlehem. Matt. ii:1-12. Golden Text—Unto you is born this day in the city of David a saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Matt. ii:11.

(14.) Verses 1-2—What does the lowly birth of Jesus signify to the world?

Lesson for Sunday Jan. 7th, 1912. The Birth of John the Baptist Foretold. Luke 1:5-23.

stationed a few feet apart, throw and pile on board the "cord wood" placed at proper intervals from Fayetteville to Wilmington.

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First Tract—Beginning at a stake, the 3rd corner of lot No. 1, and runs north 29 east 20.41 chains to a stake, McAllister's corner; thence with his line south 19 1/2 west 10.16 chains to a stake and pines his corner; thence with his other line north 62 1/2 west 5.66 chains to a stake in his line; thence south 11 east 19.35 chains to the beginning, containing 11.25 acres.

Second Tract—Beginning at a stake in the edge of the Orrum road near a lightwood stump and runs thence about northwest to a stake in J. A. McAllister's line; thence nearly west with the said McAllister's line to a stake, the corner of Redin Rice's line; thence his line southeast to the public road; thence said road to the beginning, containing 15 acres, be the same more or less. Being a part of the lands known as the Ivey lands.

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This December 20, 1911.

E. C. McNeill, Sheriff, E. J. Britt, Attorney.

12-21-2thurs

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North Carolina, In the Superior Court Robeson county, To Thomas N. Higley, Register of Deeds and Entry Taker for the county of Robeson:

The undersigned a citizen of State and county aforesaid, hereby enters and claims a tract of land in St. Paul township, bounded as follows, viz:

On the north and east by the lands of L. Shaw and on the south and west by the lands of R. R. Covington.

Said tract of land containing by estimation 14 acres more or less. The undersigned claimant sets forth that the above described tract is vacant, and subject to entry, and claimant makes entry, lays claim to and prays for a grant for said tract of land.

Witness my hand this 18th day of December 1911.

A. C. McLeod, Filed and entered December 18, 1911.

T. N. Higley, Entry Taker. 12-21-4 thurs

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