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LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Deaths Removes an Entire Family. Still Hope of the Brass Factory Coming Here.

Lexington Dispatch, Jan. 29nd.

Thomas Michael, son of John Michael, who clerks in J. L. Michael's grocery store, went to Salisbury Friday and on the next day enlisted in the standing army of the United States. His folks didn't know he was going to take such a step, or so doubt they would have roped him in, for the standing army of your Uncle Samuel, with the Philippines et cetera, is no joke. The rash young man is 19 years of age and pretty well fixed in the way of health and muscle. He passed and is now part and parcel of the American army. The Dispatch wishes him good luck.

Engineer Levi K. Matthews, of the Norfolk & Western road, says that the other day he saw on the reverse bar of his engine, these words: "Levi K. Matthews will be killed January 26, 1908." The engineer says that he saw the words plainly, but cannot say whether it was imagination or not. His friends urged him not to make a run on that date.

On Saturday F. R. Loftin was tried before 'Squire Sidney Craver in the courthouse on the charge of obtaining money from William Lee, colored, under false pretense. He was bound over to court on a justified bond of \$350. The hearing this time had to do with \$81, which the negro alleged that the defendant secured from him at various times in various amounts. A second hearing will be held tomorrow before 'Squire W. A. Heitman, at which time the charge of securing \$100 will be investigated. The negro claims that the defendant got from him the sum of \$198, and paid back \$17 of it.

It was stated last week that the Southern Metal Company which operates the brass factory, would stay in Lexington instead of going to Salisbury, but it seems that the assertion was a little premature, and the factory may yet be moved to Salisbury. At least the matter is by no means fully decided.

The sale of the defunct Metal Bed Company's plant brought in a total of about \$2,500. The concern's liabilities are about \$10,000. The business has been in the hands of receivers.

As stated in last week's Dispatch, the condition of Mr. and Mrs. George Byerly was such as to cause their friends to give up hope, and since then both have died, Mr. Byerly on Wednesday and Mrs. Byerly yesterday. Both are buried at Mt. Tabor, where their son was buried a few days ago. Thus the entire family is wiped out. Typhoid-pneumonia was the cause.

Fire last Friday morning at 1 o'clock burned a dwelling house occupied by Jim Swing, located near the school house at Nokomis cotton mills. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective chimney. The dwelling was owned by E. Lee McCrary; his loss was about \$500, with \$800 insurance.

Monday afternoon the Lexington Daughters of the Confederacy, together with others, gathered at the elegant home of Mrs. W. G. Penry on First avenue and held appropriate exercises in honor of General Lee and Jackson, the occasion being the birthdays of these two gallant southern chieftains.

Chief Hayworth, tax-collector, tells The Dispatch that during the month thus far he has collected about \$1,800. People are slow to pay. The large bulk of the taxes are yet to be collected. The time has long been out. The bills for street work are still in the air. Few people have paid anything on their account for macadam. They don't like it and don't want to pay.

T. F. Marr, presiding elder of the Winston district, preached in the Methodist church in Thomas-

CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

An Epidemic of Deaths. Concord Presbytery Meets Tomorrow.

Concord Times, Jan. 21-22.

The postoffice at Kanapolis has just been established, with C. O. Stonestreet as postmaster. If any of our subscribers on the rural route wish their papers sent to Kanapolis they will please notify us at once.

James R. Alexander died last Monday at his home on the Porter place, in No. 11 township, after an illness of a few days of pneumonia, aged 61 years.

M. L. Litaker and Miss S. J. Barnhardt were married Sunday evening at the home of the bride's father, Ephraim Barnhardt, near China Grove. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. Brown.

Harvey M. Johnson, of No. 8 township, passed through Concord yesterday on his way to the Salisbury hospital to have an operation performed for abscess in the head.

Mrs. Taylor Cline died last Tuesday at her home in No. 11 township, aged 61 years.

Caleb W. Litaker, a well known citizen of No. 4 township, died at his home last Tuesday after an illness of only a few days of pneumonia, aged about 75 years.

Mrs. J. C. Honeycutt died last Monday night at her home at Cannonville, aged 51.

J. Y. Gray, one of the best citizens of No. 2 township, died last Tuesday at his home near the Patterson mill.

W. B. J. Bost, of No. 6, tells us that he had a poplar tree from which he sawed last week 2,158 feet of lumber worth \$1.58 a hundred feet. There were 21 logs in the tree.

Concord Presbytery will meet in called session in the First Presbyterian church here on Thursday, January 30, at 2 o'clock p. m., to transact the following business:

1st. To dissolve the relations of R. K. Moseley and C. B. Currie and their several churches.

2nd. To receive Rev. C. B. Ratchford and take such action for the acceptance of his call as may be required.

3rd. To receive Licentiate J. B. Branch and L. H. Quarry.

4th. To place the call of the Front Street church, Statesville, in the hands of J. B. Branch, and arrange for his ordination and installation.

A Cure for Misery.

"I have found a cure for the misery malaria poison produces," says R. M. James, of Lenoir, S. C. "It's called Electric Bitters, and comes in 50c bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission." This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomach, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at all druggists.

Federal Court for Salisbury.

Representative Webb has succeeded in pushing through the House the Overman bill for a Federal court at Salisbury. Simmons has introduced a bill providing for \$100,000 Federal buildings at Greenville, Monroe, Henderson, Wilson, Rocky Mount and Tarboro.

A Higher Health Level.

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer, of West Franklin, Me. They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right. If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at all druggists, 25c.

ville Sunday night. A crowded congregation was out to hear him and complimented his sermon very highly.

Rev. Edw. Fulenwider, pastor of the Lexington Lutheran church has received a call to the Church of the Redeemer, at Newberry, S. C.

A JOB LOT OF ODDS AND ENDS.

General News, State News and Comments on Various Subjects.

Harriet Prince, a colored woman, met a dreadful death yesterday afternoon in her home on Glendale avenue, when her clothing caught from the fireplace and killed her within a few minutes. She was ironing near the fire with her back turned to it. No one saw her at work and what she did upon the discovery of her condition is not known. But she was seen running madly and screaming for help when she fell to the ground near William Barbee's and lost consciousness. She never spoke afterwards.—Durham Herald of Saturday.

The administrative officers of the Southern Railway and their clerical forces have felt the pinch of reduced earnings. President Finley Monday announced a cut of 10 per cent. in his own salary, that of the vice presidents of the system, all the general officers and their office forces, effective Feb. 1. This is announced as a "step in the program of reducing expenses." The wage earners have not been effected yet. Possibly the next step will reach them.

The Grand Lodge of Masons in North Carolina met in Raleigh last week. The report of Grand Treasurer John C. Drewery showed 18,080 active Masons in the State; and over thirteen thousand dollars received, a gain of 800 per cent. The report of the Oxford orphan asylum showed 317 children being cared for, 163 girls and 154 boys, and the institution's finances in excellent shape.

A bill to stop the shipment of liquor from a "wet" to a "dry" state is pending in Congress, and it is said that a majority of the members of the House are in favor of it, but it will not pass because Speaker Joe Cannon is opposed to it, and whatever Cannon says goes. And yet this hoary autocrat, standing in the way of the most righteous and needful measure that has been before the Congress for ten years, aspires to be President of the United States!—Charity and Children.

It is estimated that the cost of a ten days' session of the legislature is over \$20,000. The pay of members, clerks and employes amounts about \$1,000 per day. Mileage is 10 cents a mile each way and the average is about \$60 to a member, so this item alone is \$1,000. Printing and various incidentals are not included in the above estimate.

Raleigh, Jan. 16.—The Grand Lodge of Masons, before adjourning today, received and adopted a report from the committee on propositions and grievances, giving Dr. J. H. Mook, of Thomasville, a full and complete vindication in the case from Thomasville wherein Winston Fulton charged Dr. Mook with alienating the affections of his wife. This action ends the matter so far as the Grand Lodge is concerned. It is of interest to note that January 8, Mrs. Fulton started in the Guilford county court action for divorce against Fulton. In addition to Mr. Fulton's suit for divorce, there is in Guilford an indictment for slander against him growing out of the charge he has made against Dr. Mook and Mrs. Fulton.

Do you have backache occasionally, or "stitches" in the side, and sometimes do you feel all tired out, without ambition and without energy? If so, your kidneys are out of order. Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They promptly relieve the backache, weak back, inflammation of the bladder and kidneys. Sold by James Plummer and druggists.

Trial Catarrh treatments are being mailed out free, on request, by Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. These tests are proving to the people—without a penny's cost—the great value of this scientific prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Remedy. Sold by Grimes Drug Store.

It was a terrible torture that Mrs. Gertie McFarland, of King's Mountain, N. C., describes, as follows: "I suffered periodical pain, and became so weak I was given up to die, when my husband got me Wine of Cardui. The first dose gave relief, and with 8 bottles I am up doing my work. I cannot say enough in praise of Cardui." A wonderful remedy for women's ills. At druggists; \$1.00.

INDEPENDENT PHONE COMPANY.

It is The Best For The Farmer And Others. Gush About A New Baby.

Christiana, Jan. 27.—Rev. R. L. Brown is slowly recovering from a broken leg, which he broke some time ago. He had been in his office repairing watches and as he got up and reached for his crutches to go out, his legs gave way and he went down in a twist, breaking the little bone of the left leg just above the ankle. Dr. Peeler of Granite Quarry was called and set the leg. We hope him a speedy recovery.

Last Monday, January 20th, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Fisher of Crescent, celebrated the fiftieth year of their wedlock with a golden wedding. Their many friends and relatives gathered in and made the occasion quite a pleasant one. The happy couple received many gifts of different kinds, amounting up to fifty or seventy dollars in value. Happy may they live and many be the years they shall yet live to bless humanity.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hamilton moved, last week, into one of the houses of John Lyerly, to help carry on the work of his farm, cotton gin and saw mill.

The Independent Telephone Company has been canvassing the county and is putting in phones every where. You buy your phone and put up your wire which costs three or four dollars and pay the company only fifty cents a month, and you can talk to any one on the whole line, such as Dr. Peeler, Granite Quarry, Mt. Pleasant, Concord, and almost to any one anywhere in the State. It is one of the greatest investments any one can make and every business man or farmer can ill afford to miss getting one. The company proposes to either unite with the Bell or put in Salisbury a central and connect the entire city. No one has any need to fear this company for it will treat you fair and square in every respect.

Last Sunday morning, January 19th, Miss Jennie Johnson and Charlie Cable were united by the holy bonds of matrimony. We wish for them a long and happy life.

It seems as though the Southern Railway is determined to have its way or none. Where is the man so foolish as to believe the traffic condition is as represented by the railroads? If it really is so bad, we are next to nothing in our judging ability. Here's guessing to know what the company is going to do when it gets its own sweet way, unmolested.

There will be an entertainment at Crescent next Saturday night, February 2nd, entitled, "The Old Maids' Convention." As this is leap year all you bachelors, and others interested, should turn out to see what they are going to do. It promises to be above the ordinary. Each and all are invited to attend.

For some Sundays past we have been noticing people pass down the road with a "buggy" load of hay. 'Tis quite a novel sight to see hay and fodder hauled in a buggy, especially on Sunday.

L. D. H. Brown, our blacksmith, says panics, pestilence or famines may come, wars and rumors of wars may lay waste the country, and crowned princes of Europe may stumble, yet he and his "new" baby girl will go on and on still unaffected.

Sunday school at Christiana will begin hereafter promptly at ten o'clock instead of 9:30.

XERXES.

Torture of Women.

It was a terrible torture that Mrs. Gertie McFarland, of King's Mountain, N. C., describes, as follows: "I suffered periodical pain, and became so weak I was given up to die, when my husband got me Wine of Cardui. The first dose gave relief, and with 8 bottles I am up doing my work. I cannot say enough in praise of Cardui." A wonderful remedy for women's ills. At druggists; \$1.00.

STILL SOME FEVER AT GOLD HILL.

Survey of the Power Line to Whitney Completed. Mines Haven't Started.

Jan. 27.—During the week past we have had the coldest weather of the winter, the thermometer registering 14 above zero one morning, and the wind was almost unbearable.

Little Edna Jenkins has the typhoid fever. Really it seems the fever is going to remain in our village all winter.

Beniah Shaver has recovered from the fever, but she can not walk and is far from well.

We have numerous cases of la grippe, colds and whooping cough in and around our place. The doctor is kept pretty busy.

Mrs. Rufus Ruffy and her mother, Mrs. Barringer, have been confined to their beds for about three weeks with la grippe. Mrs. Ruffy is improving some, however.

Rev. Jno. Summey preached here at the Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday at 11 a. m.

N. Luffy has inaugurated another closing out sale. Selling at and below cost, as usual.

T. G. Myers has purchased a kodak and will take snap shots of all places and things that interest him, or suit his fancy. Look out girls he will take you unawares.

R. L. Harrison, who has been surveying out the power line from Whitney to Salisbury and who has been boarding here with W. L. Shaver, has finished his work and gone to Washington, D. C.

Mr. Misenheimer, who has been running a lively stable here at Richfield, has closed out his business and turned over his horses to Hedrick Bros.

Improvements are being made on our streets and sidewalks by a force of hands and a team hauling coal cinders on same.

The first car load of gold ore from the "Newman shoot" was shipped north last week, several more will follow, and the ore thoroughly tested in a most modern concentrating plant.

Mr. Graf has a force of men employed at the Graf mine three miles north-east from here sinking a shaft. Several years ago this mine was worked extensively and some very rich gold ore taken out.

The Southern mine is running its stamp mill two or three days out of each week and are making nice returns in gold amalgam.

Work has not yet been commenced in erecting the mill at the Union mine. They have placed a boiler, however, and will soon be ready to pump water.

MIKE.

Everybody loves our baby, rosy sweet and warm. With kissy places on her neck and dimples on her arms. Once she was so thin and cross, used to cry with pain—Mother gave her Cascasweet, now she's well again. Sold by James Plummer and all druggists.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Owing to the new ruling of the postoffice department, we shall make strenuous endeavors to revise our subscription list between now and April 1st so as to comply with the law. If a blue cross mark appears after your name it is an indication that you are in arrears and an invitation to come in and settle, or else we will be forced to drop your name from our list.

To check a cold quickly, get from your druggist some little Candy Cold Tablets called Preventives. Druggists everywhere are now dispensing Preventives, for they are not only safe, but decidedly effective and prompt. Preventives contain no quinine, no laxative, nothing harsh nor sickening. Taken at the "sneeze stage" Preventives will prevent Pneumonia, Bronchitis, La Grippe, etc. Hence the name, Preventives. Good for feverish children. 48 Preventives 25 cents. Trial Boxes 5 cents. Sold by Grimes Drug Store.

STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

Negro Captured Who Committed Murder 17 Years Ago. Danger Making Fires With Oil.

Statesville Landmark, Jan. 21-24.

W. H. Boyd, of Salisbury, has accepted a position at the Safe and Table factory and began work this week. Mr. Boyd is deaf and dumb, but is a good workman.

The Mountain Scout, Taylorsville, says that G. W. Elder and daughter visited at Mooresville and in Rowan county last week. Mr. Elder, who is 75 years old, took his first ride on the train Thursday.

They are complaining of express rates at Greensboro (and almost everywhere for that matter), and the other day Mr. Sadler, division superintendent of the express company, was before a committee of the Greensboro chamber of commerce. The Record says Mr. Sadler declined to grant relief in any of the complaints filed, but explained that the company was doing all possible for Greensboro. Certainly, the express company is "doing" Greensboro just as it is "doing" its patrons everywhere—gouging them to the limit and beyond it.

M. L. Litaker, son of Mrs. C. C. Litaker, of Barium Springs, and Miss S. J. Barnhardt, daughter of Ephraim Barnhardt, were married at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's father near China Grove, Rev. B. S. Brown officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Litaker returned to the groom's home at Barium last night, where they will live. Mr. Litaker is the youngest son of the late M. M. Litaker, of Barium.

While starting a fire with kerosene in an up-stairs room at the home of his parents on north Center street, Friday evening, Bonner Knox, young son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Knox, had a very exciting experience. Bonner had been sent to the room to kindle a fire and, following a much-practiced but very danger-custom, he saturated the kindling wood with kerosene, and then set the can of oil near by while he applied the match. The can of oil was accidentally turned over on the carpet and being near the fire a blaze leaped out and ignited the oil. In an instant the floor all round Bonner was in flames. He screamed for help and his mother and Miss Mills, who responded at once, found him vainly trying to extinguish the flames with his feet. Water being convenient, Mrs. Knox and Miss Mills succeeded in extinguishing the flames and little damage resulted. It seems almost miraculous, however, that Bonner was not severely burned.

Between 25 and 30 people were present at the court house Saturday night in response to the call issued for the meeting by Prof. J. H. Hill, president of the Iredeell county Anti-Saloon League, and J. A. Hartness, chairman of the executive committee. The call was issued to those favoring a statutory law prohibiting the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors in the State.

It is stated that since the first of the year the receipts from the passenger traffic have fallen \$4,000 below the average at Salisbury, and this is only one indication of the general falling off all over the system. The receipts at Statesville, however, from the 1st to the 21st of January, are nearly the same as last year.

Sheriff Summers arrived Saturday night from Wheeling, W. Va., with John Jones, colored, who will probably be tried next week for the killing of Gus Murchison, colored, in Statesville the night of August 28rd, 1890. The sheriff arrived in Wheeling Thursday. He was most courteously treated by the officers there. They refused to accept any pay for Jones' arrest or for the expense of his detention. If there is a reward however, they will ask for this. A reward of \$50 was offered for Jones. Whether it is legally in existence new is a question.

ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

Novel Method of Keeping Fresh Water in a Well by Cicero Ritchie.

Stanly Enterprise, Jan. 28.

Miss Sadie McCannless, of Granite Quarry, has a position in the office of Attorney R. E. Austin as private stenographer.

Albemarle now has a chain gang, seven convicts being sentenced to it by the court last week. Frank Blacklock is guard.

Surveyors are completing the surveying of the transmission line between Whitney and Albemarle. We learn that extra excavation is being made for the large power house in Whitney. It was found that the earth formation at the depth intended was not of a character that was first thought, and it will be necessary to go deeper.

On last Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, at the home of the bride's uncle D. R. Eldred, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends, Miss Lizzie Hartzell was happily married to Atlas Hahn, of Mt. Pleasant. Miss Essie Hahn, sister of the groom was maid of honor, and J. M. Hupeyout, best man.

Cicero Ritchie, one of Richfield's best business men, believes in sanitary laws. In his yard at home he has a well of the old type. It has a good vein of water, but at times gets to full and the drainage is not sufficient to suit Mr. Ritchie's idea. Securing 500 feet of half inch piping, a suitable valve, extending one end into the well and the other at a distant point below the bottom of the well—made possible by the topography of the surrounding area—Mr. Ritchie has made a complete cyphon, and the well has a continual flow into the nearby stream.

One of our observant business men says that there has been over-investment in almost all lines. For instance, the plow-boy on the farm works in a pair of patent leather shoes that cost four or five dollars. The fellow who rubs up machinery wears a \$2.50 pair of gloves. And it is this way in all classes of business. This increases cost of living and also the cost of production. It took a little panicky scare to straighten out such irregularities.

Messrs. W. D. Turner, L. C. Caldwell, J. F. Anderson, H. P. Grier and J. A. Hartness were elected delegates to go to Raleigh and urge the passage of the prohibition act.

Miss Susie Rankin died Wednesday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McDougald, on Kelly street. Miss Rankin was 86 years old last November and was the last member of a family of six sisters.

At the meeting of the Entrenous Book Club with Mrs. B. B. Webb Friday afternoon, the engagement of Miss Mary Carlton and L. W. MacKesson was announced. The marriage will take place in April. Miss Carlton is the attractive and popular young daughter of Capt. and Mrs. P. C. Carlton. Mr. MacKesson is the manager of the Statesville Drug Co., and is a very popular young business-man.

The work of remodeling the interior of the Billingsley hospital has been completed and the building will be furnished next week preparatory to opening for business early next month.

It is very important and in fact it is absolutely necessary to health that we give relief to the stomach promptly at the first signs of trouble—which are belching of gas, nausea, sour stomach, headache, irritably and nervousness. These are warnings that the stomach has been mistreated; it is demanding help from you. Take something once in a while; especially after meals; something like KODOL For Dyspepsia and Indigestion. It will enable your stomach to do its work properly. Sold by James Plummer and all druggists.

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