

THE CAROLINA WATCHMAN.

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

The Southern Club Co., is the name of a new club chartered by the State for certain Salisbury citizens. It is capitalized at \$2,000 and W. A. Blackwell is the promoter thereof.

W. H. Wallace, who will have charge of the Wallace Clothing Company of Greensboro, left for that city to day to make preparations for opening. This will be a branch of the Wallace store of Salisbury.

N. P. Jacoby, who came to Salisbury about a year ago, and who has been conducting a clothing store at 115 North Main street, is desperately ill—at his home on Jackson street. He has been in a delirious condition for several days and it is feared his illness will terminate fatally.

J. Frank Robinson, the well known bridge builder and auctioneer met with quite a serious accident Saturday afternoon. He was climbing to a high loft in a barn at his residence in the country, when he slipped and fell. He was knocked unconscious, his back was injured and an arm was broken by the fall. Mr. Robinson has many friends in Salisbury and throughout the county who will regret to learn of his misfortune.

Dr. J. E. Smoot, of Concord, who has been under treatment at the Whitehead-stroke sanatorium here for a week or more is rapidly recovering and will soon be himself again.

S. C. List, of Morgan township, was in the city yesterday and today.

The Morgan Township Sunday school convention, which meets at Zion M. E. church on the Stokes Ferry road next Friday, August 18th, bids fair to be of much interest and it will pay any one to attend it.

The Rowan Fair Association has been issued a charter by the secretary of State. Among the incorporators are Hon. John S. Henderson, T. J. Jerome, Esq. and T. H. Vandertord, Sr.

News was received here several days ago, announcing the death on Wednesday last, of Mrs. J. A. Wade, of Morhead City. Mrs. Wade was a native of this city and spent many years in Salisbury. The deceased was a sister of Mrs. D. R. Julian.

D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, is expected to deliver an address here, on the evening of the 12th. Efforts are being made to have a large audience to hear him.

Mrs. A. P. Thomas and son have assumed management of the Hotel Vanderford.

Senator Foster, of Louisiana, is a guest of Senator Overman.

Officers have been after stray dogs with a gun. If the tax is not paid the officer may kill your dog and you will be soaked for a fine of five in addition.

W. B. Strachan has been elected vice-president of the North Carolina Underwriter's Association.

The Baracas of Salisbury and Spencer held a fine rally Sunday evening at the First Baptist church. Mayor Smoot presided and the principal address was made by Dr. John Whitehead, the teacher of the Baraca class of the Baptist church. Brief addresses were made by others.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison Misenheimer, an aged couple, parents of Mrs. George H. Page, will celebrate their golden wedding to-day at the home Mr. and Mrs. George H. Page. Relatives and friends will gather and partake of one of those good old time dinners for which the rural citizens of Rowan are famous.

D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, will pour water on the backs of some Salisbury ducks to-morrow night.

The State Furniture Dealers will meet in Greensboro to-day and to-morrow. W. B. Summergett, secretary of the Association has gone over to be present at the meetings.

The Encampment of North Carolina, I. O. O. F., is in session here to-day. Nothing more than routine business will be transacted.

A SAD AFFAIR.

One Man Dead and Another Probably Dying. Officer Makes Grave Mistake.

The remains of John H. Bunting, a young man who was killed early Saturday morning, by Officer F. C. Watkins, at the Hotel Gladstone, in Black Mountain, were taken to Wilmington, N. C., passing through Salisbury Sunday night. The sister and two brothers of the deceased were with the remains. An Asheville dispatch gives the following account of the tragedy, which has shocked the entire state:

Asheville, Aug. 7.—John Hill Bunting, of Wilmington, a young traveling man is dead, and Paul Cameron Collins, of Hillsboro, cashier of the Bank of Hillsboro, is lying in the Mission hospital in this city in a serious condition as the result of a shooting scrape with Constable F. C. Watkins, at the Hotel Gladstone at Black Mountain this morning about 1:30 o'clock.

The men were brought here this morning on an early train from Black Mountain and taken to the hospital and are under the care of Dr. M. F. Fletcher and Dr. W. B. Hillyard.

Both men were shot at close range and both showed the effects of powder burns.

It was found after a close examination and operation on Mr. Bunting that the bullet had entered from the front, a little to the right side, passed through a lobe of the liver and through the pancreas and lodged in the external muscle of the back. The bullet, a number 88 calibre, was extracted. Mr. Bunting suffered greatly from internal hemorrhages before reaching the hospital. It was found necessary to open the abdomen.

Mr. Collins, while apparently not suffering so much, is in a bad condition nevertheless.

The bullet striking Mr. Collins entered from the front, a little to the right, passed through the body just under the heart and above the stomach, and came out on the back near the spinal column. How serious the injury is the physicians cannot yet say, as they have not operated, but are wait-

ing developments. The men were brought here from Black Mountain, arriving here about 8 o'clock, and were in the care of Dr. Landis and F. C. Watkins, of Black Mountain. It was nearly 9 o'clock before the men were gotten to the hospital, and physicians could examine the wounds.

The details were obtained from Mr. Watkins, after the men had been taken to the hospital. He said that about 1:30 o'clock this morning a messenger came to him from the manager of the Gladstone, with a request that he go to the hotel and put a stop to a row and disturbance created by two men in the hotel. Constable Watkins said that he immediately went over to the Gladstone; that he found the two men whose names he did not then know, partially intoxicated and on the floor of a room which they were occupying.

He said that when he reached the hotel women were running around in their night clothing, barefooted and frightened. "I went up to the room where the men were," said the constable, "and entered. The room was in darkness and as I entered, I struck a match to see my way and alighted a lamp. One of the men, I don't know which one, asked who I was and I said a police officer—the town constable."

"One of the men with an oath said in effect, 'well, we take care of all police here,' and about that time one of them kicked the door shut and then the light was snuffed out.

"One of the men jumped at me and grabbed me about the neck, the other at the time closing in and clinching. The men were both of strong build; one of them had something in his hand but I don't know what it was. When they closed in on me and grabbed me, one reached for my pistol or pistol pocket.

"I drew my revolver, a .38 calibre Smith & Wesson, and in the darkness fired two shots and the men staggered back; one of them fell. When I went in there was a third person in the room, but whether he got out before the shooting I don't know. It all happened quickly. I called for

the door to be opened and it was opened—don't know whether from the inside or the outside. A light was secured and the manager came in. I assisted one of the men to bed; the other one went out into the hall.

"A physician was summoned, and in company with the physician the men were brought to Asheville this morning for medical treatment."

It is said that Mr. Bunting and Mr. Collins were recently arrived guests at the Gladstone; that one of the men arrived last evening and the other one day this week. The men are about 30 or 35 years of age and it is understood, were unacquainted until they met at the Gladstone.

Mr. Watkins has been constable of Black Mountain for some time. The Asheville Citizen says that the officer, who was out on bail, pending the result of Bunting's wound, was re-arrested on Sunday and will be held until the hearing which will probably take place to-morrow. It was expected the grand jury would take up the case at once and thoroughly investigate it.

Death of Mrs. Hinson.

The Salisbury friends of Mrs. Hinson, wife of Rev. O. I. Hinson, of Matthews, will be pained to learn of the death of that estimable lady, which occurred in a hospital at Nashville, Tenn., last Thursday. Only a brief statement of her death was received by a Salisbury relative. Mrs. Hinson came here a bride two and half years ago while her husband was pastor of Holmes Memorial M. E. church.—Salisbury correspondence Charlotte Observer.

Rat in Hair Saves Life.

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 6.—Bertha Delane, a young white woman, after quarreling with a young man on the street, shot herself in the head in an attempt to commit suicide. A "rat" in her hair saved her life, the speed of the bullet from a .32-calibre revolver being checked by that apparition. When the physician at the hospital pulled the hair from the wound the bullet came out with the mass of false adornment. The woman will recover.

ESSON GRANITE COMPANY.

Receiver Appointed to Wind up Business in Order to Settle Estate.

The Eeson Granite Company, the million dollar concern recently organized with large quarries at Granite Quarry, this county, and headquarters in this city, is in the hands of George R. Collins, an experienced granite man of this city, as receiver, he being named at Asheville and he gave bond in the sum of \$25,000 with Charles J. Harris, late Republican candidate for governor, as surety. The receivership resulted owing to the death of Herbert C. Hammond, of Canada, who was largely interested and whose estate is said to be worth, \$5,000,000. That this step will not hinder the operation at the works is good news here. Receiver Collins has issued the following announcement:

"To Our Friends and Patrons: The Eeson Granite Company was recently organized to take over, under ownership, the following properties: The Dunn Mountain Granite Company, American Stone Company, Stacy Crushing Company, Fairfield Granite Company, and under lease: Rowan Granite Company and Balfour Pink Granite Company. "One of the parties largely interested has died, and a settlement must be made with his estate. It is, therefore, deemed advisable to adjust all differences through the medium of a receivership, and I have been appointed to act in that capacity. To any creditors I may say that the values being so largely in excess of claims against the properties that there can be no doubt but that they will be paid in full.

"I beg to say to our patrons that all orders now in hand will be promptly filled, and there will be no interruption in the operation of the properties. We solicit your further orders, which will receive attention just as promptly as heretofore. It is expected that the receivership will be of short duration and that a re-organization will be effected within the next few months.

"GEORGE R. COLLINS, receiver."

The Crime of Idleness.

Idleness means trouble for any one. Its the same with a lazy liver. It causes constipation, headache, jaundice, sallow complexion, pimples, blotches, loss of appetite, nausea, but Dr. King's New Life Pills soon banish liver troubles and build up your health. 25c at all druggists.

14 Gallons of Liquor and to Jail.

Alice Pitts, colored, was before Judge Miller this morning for retailing and got four months in jail for what seemed to be her guilt. Yesterday police officers followed a negro boy to the Pitts' boarding house on Long street. The boy entered and came out with a pint of whiskey in his pocket. He stated that he bought it from the woman Alice Pitts. The officers entered and found fourteen gallons in the house. Alice and two others in the house were arrested. All denied the charge of retailing, but as Alice was in charge of the place and the boy swore positively that he got the whiskey from her, she was found guilty and was given a four months term in jail. It is said that the whiskey found was probably stolen from D. L. Arey's warehouse. It may have come from Arey's all right, but how?

A Big Livery and Live Stock Co.

The Harper Livery and Sale Co. is the name of a new Salisbury concern with an authorized capital of \$50,000, \$25,000 paid in. J. P. Harper, one of the best stock and liverymen in this section, besides a clever and agreeable gentleman, is the president of the company, and Dr. M. J. Ragland, one of the best veterinarians to be found, is the secretary and treasurer. The new company will take over the Harper Bros. Livery Stables and do business at their place for the present. It will handle live stock and vehicles, besides doing a general business livery and run hack and automobile lines. The company is composed of a number of Salisbury's best and most substantial citizens and will succeed from the beginning.

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