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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Stella Rand Stephenson, deceased, late of Wake County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to present the same to the undersigned at his office in Raleigh, N. C., on or before the 8th day of December, 1903, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. W. R. STEPHENSON, Administrator. December 9, 1902.

NOTICE. The partnership heretofore existing between J. H. Mitchell and R. A. Freeman, at Rolesville, N. C., under the name of J. H. Mitchell & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All claims or demands against the firm will be paid by J. H. Mitchell to whom they are requested to be forwarded immediately. The former business, a general store, will be conducted by J. H. Mitchell at the old stand, Rolesville, N. C. J. H. MITCHELL & CO. 12-16-1w4k

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Sarah Hobby, deceased, late of Wake County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to present the same to the undersigned at his office in Raleigh, N. C., on or before the 29th day of November, 1903, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. J. C. MARCOM, Administrator. H. E. NORRIS, Attorney. November 27th, 1902.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of C. E. J. Goodwin, deceased, late of Wake County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present the same to the undersigned at his office in Raleigh, N. C., on or before the 2nd day of November, 1903, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. J. C. MARCOM, Administrator. November 1, 1902-6tw.

OLD FOLKS FEASTED.

Over a Hundred Guests at Dinner Given by Ladies.

The annual New Year's feast for the "old folks" was given Wednesday night by the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist church and Mr. J. T. Pullen. Over a hundred old folks were guests on the occasion and it was really delightful to see how they enjoyed the feast and exercises afterward. This is the sixth year the dinner has been given to the old folks and they always look forward to it with pleasure. After the dinner a very interesting program was rendered, consisting of music by the Symphony Quartette. "Rock of Ages," and other selections were given by Prof. Howard, of Knoxville, who gave the concert at the Raney hall, last night. Dr. Tyree, pastor of the First Baptist church, made a very interesting talk to the old folks. Little Miss Mamie Ball sang a Christmas song. Miss Claire Stainback then recited "When Melinda Sings." Mr. Pullen told how much pleasure it gave the ladies and himself to have them dine with them and expressed hope that they might have many more together. The audience sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and Dr. Tyree gave the benediction. Among the ladies of the Aid Society serving were Misses Susan Heck, Elizabeth Briggs, Margaret Harris, Ellen Durham, Lottie Kleuppelburg, Susan Timberlake, Mattie Pace, Lula Myatt, Irene Dunn, Emma Johnson, Eleanor Vass, Vera Walters, Lala Briggs, Mrs. Brinson and Mrs. C. B. Williams.

ANOTHER CHERRY TREE CASE

Compromise Expected in Cherokee Napkin Ring Case.

The Cherokee napkin ring case has been settled practically as to one defendant—Mr. J. S. Elmore, of Bryson City. The failure of J. B. Sherrill, one of the co-defendants, to appear at the last term of the United States District Court prevented the formal non propping as to Elmore. District Attorney Holton became convinced that Mr. Elmore, though technically guilty in his sight, had no intent to defraud, and upon agreement with Major Moody that Elmore should restore the money he had received from the enterprise the District Attorney decided to ask the court to dismiss the case as to Elmore but declined to do so unless Sherrill was present and Sherrill was not. Mr. Elmore is here now and hopes that Sherrill will put in an appearance so that he may be relieved from the notoriety he has obtained. Mr. Elmore is a well known citizen of Bryson City and in 1899 was engrossing clerk of the House of Representatives of this State. He says he thought the project was all right and went into it only a short time before it was suspended by the government, and received only a small sum. The arrest of those interested in the scheme created a big stir in the western counties. The bill of indictment charged a conspiracy to defraud by the use of the mails and was against the two men named and Lee J. Hall. It set out that the projectors of "The Cherokee Napkin Ring Company" offered for \$12 to give agencies which would pay \$20 per month for writing letters—in brief an endless chain scheme similar to the Amos Owens Cherry Tree scheme in Rutherford county—to dispose of napkin rings made by the Cherokee Indians and "represented to be of great value and the most beautiful souvenir of the children of the forest."

Dr. Broughton May Go to Baltimore. The special committee of the Seventh Baptist church in Baltimore has decided to extend a call to Rev. Dr. Len G. Broughton, now of Atlanta, a native of Wake county. The Atlanta News quotes Dr. Broughton as saying there has been some correspondence, and adds: "Asked if he would accept the pastorate of the church if asked to do so Dr. Broughton said: "Since I have not received a call to the Seventh Baptist church of Baltimore I think it would be premature for me to say anything. "When the call comes all it will be time to talk."

Meeting Text Book Commission. There will be an important meeting of the North Carolina Text Book Commission on Saturday. State Superintendent Joyner has invited each book publisher, who has books on the list, to have a representative at this meeting. The main object of the meeting is to devise some plan for a more satisfactory and convenient distribution of text-books throughout the State, a number of complaints having recently been made to the State Superintendent about the inconvenience and inadequacy of the present arrangement.

Healthy North Carolina Folks. The New York Times gives Senator Pritchard credit for the following story: The Senator, while telling how healthy his section of North Carolina is, remarked, "A mountaineer, aged 92, and his wife, aged 90, were returning from the funeral of their oldest child, who had died at the age of 71. They were both deeply griefed. As they were discussing their lot the wife said, 'I always told you, John, that we would never raise that child.'"

Mr. Sullock Resting Quietly. (Special to the News and Observer.) Richmond, Va., Jan. 1.—Mr. Jas. G. Sullock, the young man from Raleigh, who attempted suicide here last Monday night, is now resting quietly and thought to be entirely out of danger. Elizabeth City, N. C., Jan. 1.—A party of little children made a gruesome find in Perquimans county yesterday. It was the lifeless and decomposed body of an elderly woman, and it was lying face downward in a ditch. The corpse was that of Mary Williams, an inmate of the Perquimans almshouse. In declining health and of unsound mind, she strayed from the house nearly a month ago. No traces of violence appeared on her person, and it is supposed that death resulted from cold and starvation. Wandering aimlessly through woods and fields, she probably plunged into the ditch, and, overcome with cold and fatigue, remained a victim to the prevailing severe weather.

A VAST MULTITUDE GATHERS.

To Hear Edward of England Proclaimed Emperor of India.

(By the Associated Press.) Delhi, India, Jan. 1.—Tens of thousand of people from the city of Delhi and from villages far and near began gathering at daybreak this morning on the great plain outside the city. There they waited patiently for the supreme announcement of the Durbar, that King Edward was Emperor of India. Soon the great plain was filled with crowding masses of people and the brightly colored clothing of the vast throng covered the space with gorgeous hues. The crowd on the plain was composed largely of the common people, but among it could be seen the retainers of the various rajahs who had assembled for the function. The excitement of all was fixed upon the white amphitheatre in the centre of the plain where the announcement was to be made. The amphitheatre was adorned with gilded cupolas and surrounded by batteries, squadrons and battalions of the Indian army. Beyond the amphitheatre in the distance could be seen great numbers of elephants, camels and horses. So vast was the multitude that the troops appeared as mere splashes of color. The arrival at the amphitheatre of the Viceroy of India, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the Princes and other dignitaries was one of the brilliant episodes of the day. The Princes were clad in silks and adorned with jewels and their horses and carriages were brilliant with trappings of gold. The spectacle within the arena was most striking and gorgeous. The Pathan chiefs and the sirdars were resplendent in brilliant raiment. Soldiers, civilians and visitors from far distant countries were included among those within the amphitheatre. Upon the entrance of the veterans of the Indian Mutiny there was tremendous enthusiasm and as the arrivals marched to their places the bands played national airs.

A Good Trust. (Springfield Republican.) It is reported that the Standard oil company has finally secured control of the Beaumont oil field in Texas and the Jennings oil region in Louisiana, and that the price of fuel oil has advanced \$1 a barrel. This last statement is scarcely believable. The Standard oil company, you know, is one of those good trusts that bring lower prices to the people, and never raise them.

Bryan Pleased With Mexico. (By the Associated Press.) Mexico City, Jan. 1.—Wm. Jennings Bryan, with his family, has returned from Vera Cruz and will go north tomorrow. He is much interested in the fact that many young Americans with small capital have started life in Mexico as planters in the tropical belt. Though greatly pleased with the brilliant prospects of the tropical agriculture, Mr. Bryan says he is still very well satisfied with his little farm on the outskirts of Lincoln, Nebraska.

An Epidemic of Scrubbing. (By the Associated Press.) Hermosillo, Mexico, Jan. 1.—Owing to the carce caused to the scarce caused by the epidemic at Mazatlan strenuous measures are being taken here to improve the sanitary conditions of the city. Streets are to be kept scrupulously clean and the city government has appointed an inspector for each high block, whose duty it is to enter every house in the block at least once during the day, make a thorough inspection and report any suspicious sickness.

Judge Lamb Dead. (By the Associated Press.) Richmond, Va., Jan. 1.—James Christian Lamb, ex-Judge of the Chancery Court, and a prominent citizen and lawyer, of Richmond, died here today after an illness of some three months, in the fiftieth year of his age.

Guns Laws Gardner. (By the Associated Press.) New Britain, Conn., Jan. 1.—Gans got their decision over Gardner in the 11th round.

Toy Cannon Explodes. (Special to the News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 31.—John and James Reiser, two small boys, who live with their parents, about five miles from this city, were badly injured yesterday by the explosion of a toy cannon. The boys were playing with the cannon and were attempting to set it off when the match dropped into the powder. The cannon was blown into pieces, both boys being hit in the face by the particles of iron. It is feared that the eyes of James, the younger of the two, are badly injured.

Taken Ill On Train. Miss Mary Cotten, one of the trained nurses of Rex Hospital, was suddenly taken ill yesterday while on the train. She left Raleigh on the morning train, intending to go to Tarboro to visit her relatives, but before reaching Selma was attacked with acute appendicitis. At Selma Miss Cotten was taken from the train and was attended by Dr. R. J. Noble, of Selma. She was brought back to Raleigh on the afternoon train on a cot. Dr. Noble and Dr. Walker, of Lynchburg, accompanying her. She is now in Rex Hospital and an operation for appendicitis will be performed today.

Magistrate's Court. Several cases were disposed of by Justice Heflin yesterday, the most important one being that of the State against Ed. Wellowday and Simon Wellowday, his father, for cutting and removing wood from the land of W. A. Mitchell. After an examination of the facts of the case Captain Heflin decided they should be held over under a justified bond of \$50 each until the January term of court. They gave their bonds. The other cases were of minor importance.

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They Win the Prizes.

Miss Evelyn H. Jackson will receive the gold watch and Mr. G. A. Warren the gold-headed cane as a result of the free guessing contest of the Jolly & Wynne jewelry contest. The contest closed at noon yesterday. There were 1,965 guesses and these ranged from \$5.00 to \$100,000. Mr. Walters Durham, who counted the contents, found that the jar contained \$284.85. Miss Jackson's guess was \$285.10 and Mr. Warren's guess was \$286.97.

No Threat of Bombardment.

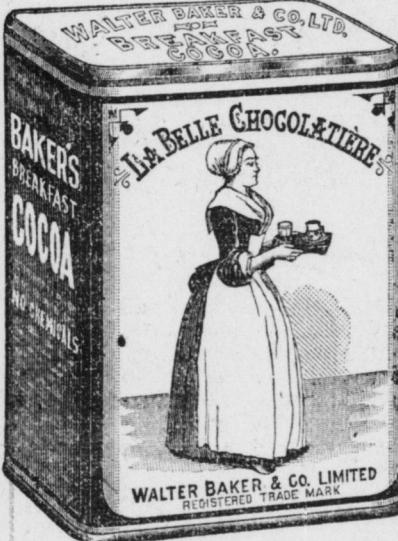
Caracas, Dec. 31.—The report that the German cruiser Falke is threatening to bombard Maracaibo is untrue. In the first place the cruiser cannot enter the Lake of Maracaibo, and as Maracaibo is ten miles from the bar it would be impossible for the Falke to bombard it. In the second place it is asserted, in Maracaibo that the postmaster there has not withheld the mail of Germany merchants. Maracaibo is quiet. The blockade is working injury to commerce, and especially to American interests.

A Venezuelan Schooner Chas d.

La Guayra, Dec. 31.—An Italian cruiser last night chased a big Venezuelan schooner off this port. The occurrence was seen from here. Under cover of darkness the schooner managed to get away.

Mr. H. L. Grant, clerk of the United States Court, has returned from Goldsboro, where he spent the holidays with his family.

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