

WATER PRESSURE IN RALEIGH CLAIMED AS FAULT

COMPANY DENIES THIS

Two Pretty Residences on South Person Street are Destroyed and the Complaints as to the Water Pressure Supplied is Such as to Demand a Full Investigation of the Water Company by the City Authorities.

With declarations from many spectators who were on the scene that the water pressure was at fault, two pretty residences on South Person street yesterday are in wreck and ruin.

The residence almost completely gone is that at 317 South Person street, between Martin and Davis, owned by Mr. C. P. Spruill, and occupied by Mr. W. W. Williams.

The first started in the kitchen and spread rapidly, and in a few minutes the slight feet separating the Williams from the residence of Mr. D. T. Moore, 315 South Person street, took a firm grip on the side of the rear of the house, got up between the ceiling and the roof and did great damage.

The fire spread quickly. The fire began about 9:30 in the kitchen of Mr. Williams. He had gone into the backyard to see about some vegetables and his wife was on the front piazza.

The first company to respond to the alarm was the colored company, the Victor Hose, the members of which had seen the smoke and knew the location of the burning house.

The fire, which almost totally destroyed the Spruill house, caught on the south side of Mr. Moore's residence and did great damage to the house.

The main complaint is that there was very low water pressure, and that this was responsible for the fire spreading to Mr. Moore's house and for the extent of the damage to Mr. Williams, that the streams were not of sufficient volume, that they could not reach the top of the house for a while.

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BANKER MORSE REPORTED ILL IN PENITENTIARY.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 8.—Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, serving a term of fifteen years for misappropriation of funds in the federal penitentiary here, has been removed to the hospital, where he is reported quite ill.

An Investigation is Demanded. In four recent fires, there have been complaints made concerning the water pressure, and in each case there have been explanations given, yet despite these explanations, the water has not been through high enough and far enough to prove of great service in extinguishing the flames.

Fire Chief Lumsden Talks. Mr. L. H. Lumsden, chief of the fire department, in regard to the fire, says: "When I reached the scene of the fire, seeing that the pressure was not as I desired, I requested Patrolman Warren to call for direct pressure under orders of the chief of the department."

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SOCIETY

Miss Pearlie Cobb Entertains. Lumber Bridge, August 8.—Miss Pearlie Cobb has been entertaining a delightful house party for the past week.

These present are: Misses Rudie Hubbard, Fayetteville, N. C.; Marie Waller, Philadelphia, Pa.; Maude McKinon, Charlotte, N. C.; Effie McMillan, Parkton, N. C.

In Honor of Miss Simmons. In honor of Miss Isabelle Simmons, of New Bern, daughter of Senator Simmons, who is visiting Mrs. Graham Andrews, there was a card party given on Saturday afternoon by Miss Mary Grimes-Cowper.

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BIG AUGUSTS

Great Days for the Gathering of Primitive Baptists in Wilson County—First Held at Saratoga Last Sunday.

AT THE TABERNACLE Dr. Herman Home Delivers Grand Message on Sunday.

NEGRO SUDDEN DEATH William Barnes Had Just Been Eating a Piece of Watermelon.

SHOT IN POKER GAME GEORGE HUNTER A RALEIGH NEGRO GETS BULLETS IN SCALP AND BACK.

IN THE POLICE COURT Monday Morning Docket Was a Large One, and Many Were Fined.

THIRTY-FOURTH NORTH CAROLINA REGIMENT VETERANS SHOULD COMMUNICATE WITH GOVERNOR.

TO GRANT CAMPMENT Messrs. Perrin Bushie and J. D. Herndon Go From This City.

ONE GETS A PARDON. Roscoe Cline of Caldwell, in for Larceny, is Aided by Strong Recommendation.

THIRTEEN PERSONS KILLED. Ignacia, Cal. August 8.—Thirteen persons were killed and at least 15 were injured tonight when a passenger train, bound from Los Angeles to the Northern Pacific Railway, was struck by a special locomotive and engine south of Ignacia.

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