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## OLD TIMES IN THE SOUTH—1855-1865

(Memories of Ten Wonderful Years—By Mrs. Alice E. Brown.)

Clarence Poe, in Progressive Farmer, Dec. 22.

Since this is the Christmas issue of "The Old Folks Special," I am going to get right up out of my chair and give my seat to a lady. An certainty no one will blame me for doing so when they learn that I am giving my chair to a very dear old lady, a sister of my father's, and she is going to tell us something about the Christmases she knew in the Old South, sixty years ago and more, on my grandfather's farm.

And not only will she tell of the Christmases then, but of the daily life on this typical Southern farm in the late 50's, then of the threatening war clouds, and then, of the days when her "second oldest brother" (who was my father) and her youngest brother went away with thousands of others to follow Lee and Jackson and "the stars and bars." And finally of the days when peace came again and the boys in gray with doubtful daring and unembittered souls took up the task of rebuilding their wasted land.

If ever any of us have been tempted these last five years to lose courage and the nerve to "carry on," let us think for a moment of what these brave men and women, ancestors of ours, suffered and endured without losing heart or the will to pluck victory out of defeat.—CLARENCE POE

"In 1855 I was five years old, and my earliest memories are of happiness and pleasure—seeing our family and the whole neighborhood fixing for the big association at the neighboring church. The men went and built wooden "tents" while the women at home cooked pound cakes on the fireplace; we had no cook stoves in those days.

When the day came all of us children went in the four-horse wagon; my father, mother, and two older sisters went in the carriage; and when we got there it seemed like there were hundreds of little houses everywhere. It was not long until the whole place was covered with people, and oh, the happy meetings of friends and kinsfolk, hugging, crying and laughing!

Church Meetings, Corn Shuckings and School Openings.

They had church conference in the house and preaching under a brush arbor, the people being called together at 10 o'clock by someone blowing a trumpet. Soon church and tents would be crowded with people as thick as bees. At night there would be preaching at the church and at tent. And they had shouting in those days—old and young, white and black, shouting. They could not keep from it, for they were all happy and they had soul-stirring preachers. Monday the parting came. Then all went home happy and ready for work, for everybody worked in those days. The girls spun and wove and sewed while men made and gathered the crops.

Late in each fall would come one of the happy events of the year, the corn shucking. The corn would be gathered and put in a long pile, the invitations given, and just about dark you would hear the darkies start from all quarters, singing corn songs, "Round the Corn, Sallie".

"Away over the river where I was born, We made beans and hominy corn." They would carry all parts, and how they would shuck corn! There was a leader who would get a big ear of corn and walk on top of the pile and sing and "call the sheep" and all the rest would answer. Now that singing was pretty! When thru shucking they would take the man of the house and put him in a chair, take him into the house, and sit him down and comb his hair, singing all the time. Later all would eat supper and go home, singing as they went.

Merry Old Times Christmas Days—Christmas in those dear old days? Well, I don't think there has ever been so much happiness with white and black. What made us children so happy was not looking for Santa Claus, but looking for a new dress and shoes. The shoemaker would come about two weeks before Christmas. He would take the measure of our feet (how well I remember that I was afraid he would cut off my toes) and those would be our first shoes for the winter and we would not put them on till Christmas morning. Everyone was expecting a big time at Christmas and everyone was busy getting ready. On Christmas Eve negroes would pass in dresses; they had been hired out to work in turpentine forests farther South and now were on the way home to take Christmas. They were so happy, singing and blowing bugles. It seemed as if they could not walk fast enough. All day long you could hear singing and the axes cutting wood and piling it high; one especially big stick was always cut to be put on Christmas morning. The darkies would begin at dark to pat, dance, and sing. One of their songs was:

"Christmas is comin', it's most here, An' every poor negro wants his share" "Everybody was up before day Christmas, shooting big guns, and you could hear my grandfather's old

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## THE DEATH OF MRS. HATLEY.

Seven Children Survive Her and a Number of Other Relatives.

A very sad death occurred Saturday night, December 29th, when Mrs. Annie Love Hatley passed away. It came as a great shock to her many relatives and friends. Mrs. Hatley was the daughter of Mrs. Bettie Thomas. Her father, James A. Thomas, died several years ago.

Twenty-seven years ago she was happily married to Mr. Donnie G. Hatley, and to this union were born eleven children, four of whom died in infancy. The seven surviving are Paul, Gertrude, Lillian, Silas, D. G., Jr., Mary Lee, and a tiny babe that will bear the name of her mother, Annie Love. She leaves the following sisters and brothers to mourn her passing: Mrs. Addie Webster, Mrs. W. A. Drake, and Mrs. R. F. Sturdivant, all of whom live on route No. 2, New Hill, Mrs. L. D. Hatley, Cary, Mrs. J. Jeter Hackney, Pittsboro, Rt. 1, Mrs. Gordon Copeland, Durham, Ben W. Thomas, Henderson, G. N. Thomas, Raleigh, J. C. Thomas, Durham, and D. L. Thomas, Pittsboro, Rt. 1, and a loving daughter-in-law, Mrs. Paul Hatley and many nieces and nephews.

She was indeed a good christian woman, a devoted wife, and mother. Her greatest pleasure was in making life pleasant for others. The kind husband and loving children have the sympathy of the entire community.

Interment was made in the Mount Gilead Baptist cemetery on Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. R. Gordon.

Where the golden sunlight lingers And the sky with glory fills; Where the new song rises even On the blest, eternal hills; There our loved ones gather, waiting 'Round the throne of God on high. Peace and love dwell there supremely We shall meet them by and by.

Oh, the glad triumphant meeting, On that bright eternal shore, And the blessed hope of greeting, All our loved ones gone before. No more sorrow; no more sadness, With our Saviour ever nigh, All our mourning turned to gladness, We shall meet them by and by. Her niece, ALICE I. WEBSTER, New Hill, N. C., Rt. 2, Jan. 5, 1924.

## CAN YOU NAME THE STATES

Different Kind of Brain Tester This Week for School Folks.

We want to interest the school boys and girls further in our contest department, and for that reason we are offering again this week a perplexing question to be solved. The contest is open to any school boy or girl in Chatham County between the ages of twelve and eighteen years.

Following are the letters to be considered: B-C-D-K-K-L-L-M-N-N-R-S-S-S Arrange the letters shown above in four lines so as to spell the names of four states, territories or countries of North America. The letter "A" may be used thirteen times to form the names of the states, territories, or countries. It is the only vowel needed and will be required but thirteen times.

Neatness, arrangement, and the proper answer will be considered in determining the winner. Give your name, age, school you are attending, and your mail address.

Numbers of answers were received to our puzzle last week and the winner may be learned by looking at the account of it in another column in this paper.

All answers must reach us before Monday night, January 14. The one that is adjudged to be the best answer will receive six months subscription to The Record free.

## A TRIBUTE TO MRS. THOMAS.

(Written by a Friend.)

Just a week before Christmas when hearts and minds were looking forward to the most joyous season of the year, our community was shocked by the death of one of our best women, the wife of Frank Thomas. She had a sweet and gentle manner which attracted many friends who loved her for her noble qualities and congenial personality.

There existed a beautiful devotion between this good woman and her husband, each one constantly considering the other's comfort and happiness, and their home life reminded one of these lines:

Two minds with but a single thought, Two hearts that beat as one. Their union was blessed with five bright children, and they were looking forward to a golden future with them.

But so is life, fraught with pain and sorrow in the midst of joy. A host of relatives and friends feel deepest sympathy for the broken hearted husband and his dear little ones.

May a kind and loving Providence watch and guard them tenderly. Moncure, Rt. 2, Jan. 5.

## Card of Thanks.

We desire to offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to each one that helped and comforted us during the sickness and bereavement we have recently suffered.

We thank the people of Pittsboro for remembering us so generously and we are sincerely grateful. FRANK THOMAS and family.

A laugh is a good thing if it is on the other fellow.

## NECESSARY TO AMPUTATE ARM ACCOUNT OF POISON

Sunday School Organized—New Delco Plant Installed—Locals.

Bear Creek, Jan. 7.—S. W. Foster, after spending a week at Central Carolina hospital, Sanford, has returned to his home. At this time he is somewhat improved, although far from being well. We join his many friends in wishing for his speedy recovery. J. T. Willett, of Raleigh, visited his father last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fields, Rt. 2, the 3rd January, twin girls. J. J. Ivey, of route 2, had the misfortune to cut his hand severely some ten days ago, from which he developed blood poisoning. He was taken to a hospital in Greensboro Friday and was thought to be recovering nicely. Today, however, (Monday, 7th.) we are informed that it will be necessary to amputate part of his arm. We hope he shall soon be well again.

Sunday school was organized at Bear Creek Chapel Sunday afternoon, January 6th, with J. J. Norwood, superintendent; T. B. Beal, assistant superintendent; D. T. Brooks, secretary-treasurer. The time is 3 o'clock p. m., every Sunday. Everybody is cordially invited to come and take part.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Moore's baby has been right sick. George Bryant has moved from the Gaston Loyd place back to his own place.

E. J. McIver is out again after a siege of rheumatism. Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Kirkman of Leaksville, visited in the home of C. J. Rives.

C. B. Fitts has installed a Delco plant, lighting his residence, store and Moody Brothers' market.

Mrs. D. W. Smith, of Pittsboro, route 3, underwent an operation in a hospital in Greensboro last week.

Archie Hugh, the five year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Smith, has been seriously sick but has improved considerably.

Mr. P. L. Elkins recently visited his brother, H. J. Elkins at Greensboro, and his sister, Mrs. C. W. Holt, at Kernersville.

W. J. B. Elkins and Miss Pauline McKeller, of Dillon, S. C. were recent visitors in the home of P. L. Elkins. PHIL.

## ENJOY WATCH NIGHT CORINTH.

Local News Happenings From About Brickhaven and Vicinity.

Brickhaven, Jan. 7.—Miss Orlan Mull, the popular primary teacher of the Truth school, was the week end guest of Miss Mary Lee Utley.

Mrs. Emma Johnson of Morrisville, has been spending a few days with her little grand children, Pauline and Forrest Lawrence.

Mrs. H. R. Cardwell, of South Boston, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Buckner and little Rochelle Elizabeth, of Siler City, have been spending a while here with their sister, Mrs. C. H. Marks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rich and little Dorothy Lee of the Boylan Ranch, are spending the New Year holidays with relatives at Rocky Mount.

Mrs. Benfield and two little sons, of Raleigh, are the guests this week of Mrs. J. H. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marks wish to thank friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses shown them during the illness of their little son, Wallace. The little fellow was dangerously ill for several days with erysipelas, but we are glad to learn that he is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Valentine and two children, of South Carolina, have recently moved into the old Lawrence school building which has been remodeled and made into a very comfortable dwelling.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Marks spent the week end with her parents near Siler City.

Several Brickhaven residents were among the guests at a watch party given by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nash, at Buckhorn on Monday evening. The occasion found young men at a premium and Master Benjamin Nash, aged 5, was reduced to tears for fear a Leap year proposal made to him, might take on more serious aspects. He was consoled in his father's arms. Mr. and Mrs. Nash are renowned for their gracious hospitality and all the departing guests were eager to shower them with good wishes for the coming year.

A few of the children in the neighborhood enjoyed a rare pleasure yesterday, that of skating on ice. Several shallow lakes near the river were frozen over and it was a gala time for the little folks. All were entitled to be called "star skaters" who made stars in the ice with their heads. Needless to say, with so little experience, most of them qualified for the title. As we watched their beaming faces, the thought kept recurring: "What can bring more genuine pleasure than to give happiness to the children?"

Author Not Given.

The tribute to Mrs. Ruby Smith Hargrove that we printed last week on page two of The Record was written by Miss Luta White a school mate of Mrs. Hargrove, and we regret that we neglected to give the proper credit.

Some people never value anything until they lose it.

## ANOTHER LARGE LIST OF FRIENDS THIS WEEK

Subscribers Pouring in by the Hundreds Daily.

The management of The Record has every reason to be proud of the support that is being given it and the confidence that the people are showing in the paper. Dozens of people have told us verbally that The Record is the best paper they have ever had in Chatham, while many letters are received every day that are full of praise. We have another big list of splendid Chatham County people this week and we are pleased to name them as follows:

Miss Emma Beal, Mrs. Mary L. Dowdy, W. A. Moore, R. V. Griffin, Miss Belle Beal, C. C. Edwards, Mrs. R. L. Fox, E. H. Jordan, C. D. Moore, Mrs. T. V. Sexton, J. M. Ellis, C. D. Burns, Charles G. Smith, K. B. Cole, L. T. Webster, G. W. Brewer, P. G. Maulden, T. H. Murchison, Rev. W. B. Waff, Joe T. Bland, Sim Fearington, Miss Mary Clegg, D. W. Riddle, J. T. Johnson, A. H. Oldham, C. C. Poe, Garland Perry, Henrietta Lea, W. H. Fox, Yancey Neal, Eli Johnson, Ernest Brooks, Grover Buckner, B. N. Gilmore, Mrs. J. C. Phillips, M. L. Phillips, Mrs. E. F. Drewry, S. W. Harrington, Mrs. R. M. Cotten, Mrs. Sallie Thomas, G. D. Burke, J. W. Bailey, June Reaves, Mrs. W. B. Harper, J. W. Johnson, N. B. Avert, Mrs. Lorena Whitaker, Mrs. N. P. Napier, G. G. Luterloh, Henry May, M. T. Lindsey, W. M. Lindsey, Oscar Durham, Francis Perry, H. L. Yoder, E. D. Welch, Mrs. L. R. Dowd, Mrs. G. W. Linens, F. L. Bray, W. H. Fesmire, W. B. Teague, K. B. Jenks, Miss Cynthia Kimball, Mrs. Margaret G. Ferebee, C. G. Sharpe, H. L. Barber, Mrs. J. M. Lindley, W. P. Smith, Jim Webster, George Graves, J. C. Langley, J. R. Moore, O. M. Linens, P. L. Fox, J. C. Jones, Mrs. T. D. Braxton, Charles Dixon, M. L. Duncan, W. N. Page, A. L. Moon, H. H. Hilliard, W. F. Brooks, Alexander Waddell, R. W. Dark, J. C. Myrick, J. T. Dixon, R. K. Dixon, Harvey Woody, J. C. Cheek, C. W. Luterloh, C. H. Luterloh, DeWitt Murdock, W. L. Powell, O. H. Lindley, E. H. Andrew, Mrs. J. E. Poe, Carse Pipkin, Arthur Pipkin, Leland Litley, J. S. Yow, Miss Olivia Burns, J. R. Copeland, Mrs. G. E. Taylor, W. C. Perry, E. W. Riggsbee, J. Walker Thomas, Fred. P. Nooe, Jamie Perry, F. E. Mann, W. S. Goodwin, A. Marks, A. B. Wicker, Mrs. S. T. Strickland, J. W. Griffin, Brooke Lanian, Mrs. H. R. Dickens, A. J. Johnson, Mrs. G. R. Gunter, W. D. Smith, D. B. Moore, W. F. Bland, W. C. Thomas, M. J. Jordan, Mrs. Julia Holt, M. W. Willett, Miss Jane Cox, J. Norwood Eubanks, Mrs. O. W. Hamilton, F. C. Johnson, Ehrie J. Clark, Mattie Brooks, Henry Hill, R. C. Griffin, N. S. Woody, W. R. Johnson, J. M. Rav. R. E. Ellington, J. C. Thompson, Mrs. R. E. Jones, Walter R. Perry, M. R. Teague, Mrs. Fred Cross and two requests not to publish names.

## WORDS OF APPRECIATION.

The purpose of this letter is to thank the people of Pittsboro and Browns Chapel for their Christmas presents in the way of a poundings. Just before I left for Jackson to spend the holidays with my parents, the people of Pittsboro got together many gifts for their pastor, congregated at Brooks & Eubanks store and made their deposits, and had the same freighted to the parsonage by Mr. G. H. Brooks, Jr. This was wholly unthought of by the pastor, but appreciated by him and family.

After spending a week at Jackson, the writer and family arrived in Pittsboro Monday of last week and just after dark, people began bringing and sending Santa Claus from Browns Chapel. This was the largest poundings ever received during our ministry. We appreciate this much for its value but we appreciate it more because of the fact it is the first poundings Browns Chapel has given a preacher in fifty years. Let the pessimist offer logic. Will he say that Browns Chapel is deteriorating? For all of these gifts and expressions of love from Pittsboro and Browns Chapel, I thank you one and all. And I pray God's blessings upon you and yours. Let Christ ever be in your life and life's work. Amen. J. J. BOONE, Pastor.

## Let Us Know at Once.

We have given every opportunity to all to renew for The Record. We have some fifteen or twenty names on the list that are due since December 1. If you want the paper continued and will pay later drop us a card or phone us if you have not already done so. After this week all names not paid up will be dropped unless we have been or will be ordered to keep them on. We hope everyone will renew because we want all our friends to remain with us.

## Likes His New Home.

In a letter from Rev. J. R. Edwards, formerly stationed at Bynum, but now at Southport, N. C., he states that he and family are delighted with their new location and that the weather has been ideal since they moved there.

## Exaggerated Humility is Often Nothing More than Conceit.

Some men are good through and through to you; and most men are satisfied with that.

## MORRIS M. COOPER DEAD.

Brantley Fox Died Saturday—Siler City Local and Personal News.

Siler City, Jan. 5.—Following an illness of several weeks, Morris Cooper died at his home three miles southeast of here Thursday afternoon and was buried at Oakley Baptist church yesterday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. Richard S. Fountain.

Surviving are his widow, who was Miss Blanche Dixon, and three small sons and his father, W. B. Cooper, of Siler City, four brothers, Lonnie Cooper, of Bynum, Claude and Fred Cooper, of Greensboro, and Duffee Cooper of Siler City and five sisters, Mesdames Pearl Kivett and Arthur Pleasants of Greensboro, Mrs. Leslie Duncan, Misses Kate and Marion Cooper of Siler City.

Brantley Fox, aged 66, after an illness of many months, died at his home west of Siler City last night and will be buried tomorrow at 2 o'clock at Brush Creek.

Surviving are his widow and three sons, J. E. Fox, Pearl Fox and Houston Fox, and four brothers, Carney Fox, all of Siler City, John Fox, Dock Fox and Ben Fox, of the Bear Creek section.

Mrs. Henry Pike and Mrs. O. I. Hinson delightfully entertained the members of the latter's domestic science class at the home of Mrs. Pike Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock.

Miss Gladys Riggsbee is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. C. E. Clark, this week.

Miss Gladys Patterson has returned to her studies at Meredith college and her brother, Grady Patterson, has re-entered Wake Forest College.

That genial gentleman, Solomon Lambe, of Greensboro, was here the past few days visiting friends and relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Baucum, of Elkin, are here on a visit to the home of Mrs. C. N. Bray and other relatives.

## WINNIE LEE BURKE IS WINNER.

Many Answers Received to the Puzzle Last Week.

Many young people answered our riddle puzzle last week, but few of them had it right. The most complete and accurate answer was sent in by Miss Winnie Lee Burke, Rt. 1, Goldston, N. C., and to her is awarded the prize of six months subscription and The Record is being started to her this week.

Following is the riddle we published:

## RIDDLE.

In offices and schools I'm found. I'm everywhere; I'm dangerous if I'm broken, So handle me with care.

Sometimes I have three feet, But n'er a step I travel. Now see what you can do. This riddle to unravel.

The answer is "A RULE."

Others sending in practically correct answers were as follows: Rosa Thomas, Clarence Johnson, William Griffin, Clarence Hackney, Linden Elkins, Lillian Webster, Evelyn Sanders, Florence Purvis, Clyde Bryant and Harris Brewer.

In another column is a geographical contest this week for school boys and girls and we hope many of them will try their skill in solving the answer.

## LOCALS FROM MONCURE.

Moncure, Jan. 7.—Mrs. S. V. Holt spent last Sunday at Sanford.

Mrs. J. H. Simpkins spent last Monday at Raleigh.

Mrs. J. J. Hackney and daughter, Miss Lillie and Miss Elizabeth Farrell took dinner New Year's day at Capt. J. H. Wisslers. In the afternoon they motored to Sanford in the new Buick.

Miss Mildred Smith of Raleigh, spent Christmas with her sister, Miss Sallie Smith, who is making her home with her kinsfolk, Capt. J. H. Wissler.

The plays and music that were given at the school auditorium last Monday evening by the Freeman and Hammond Company, were enjoyed very much by the crowd present. The plays, "The Man From Komomo" and "Patches" were exceedingly interesting.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Strickland Dec. 31, 1923, a son.

The cold wave struck Moncure last Saturday night, the thermometer registering 4 degrees above zero. Sunday night it was 8 degrees above zero, according to Mr. B. J. Utley, the government weather man at this place.

## Box Party at Meadow Creek.

There will be a box party and a play at Meadow Creek school house on Saturday night, January 12th. The admission is only ten cents, and the time of starting has been set at seven o'clock.

## Read it All.

In another column we are reproducing an article from The Progressive Farmer by Dr. Clarence Poe on the times from 1855 to 1865, reminiscences by an aunt. It relates to Chatham County and is interesting to all.

Some men are good through and through to you; and most men are satisfied with that.

## DISTRESSING DEATH OF SPLENDID YOUNG WOMAN

Other News Items of Interest to Record Readers at Rives Chapel.

Siler City, Rt. 5, Jan. 5.—A wedding of interest to the people of this community occurred on Sunday, December 23rd, when Miss Gladys Lindley and Mr. Herbert Moody were united in marriage. Rev. J. H. Broom performed the ceremony.

The groom is the son of T. J. Moody and has many friends in this community, while the bride is from near Silk Hope. Their many friends wish for them a long and happy life. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gilmore and little daughter, Marjorie, of Richmond, Va., visited in the home of Mr. C. O. Gilmore during the holidays.

One of the saddest and most tragic deaths that has ever occurred in this community was that of Mrs. Suvina Dowd Thomas. She was on a visit to the home of her brother, and while there her clothing caught on fire, and before assistance could be given her, she was fatally burned.

Mrs. Thomas died a few hours later. She was 29 years of age and had been a member of Rives Chapel church since early girlhood.

She was a loving and affectionate mother, a dutiful daughter and a true and kind sister.

It is so sad that one so young should be taken. But God knows best and doeth all things well. We commend the bereaved ones to Him. May they be enabled to say, "Thy will be done."

Her remains were laid to rest in Rives Chapel cemetery, the funeral being conducted by her pastor, Rev. H. Broom.

Surviving her are a father, six sisters, two brothers and five small children, and a number of friends to mourn her loss.

Her husband, G. G. Thomas, preceded her to the grave but a short while ago.

## NEWS NOTES FROM CAPE FEAR.

Praises The Record and Thinks All Should Appreciate It.

New Hill, Rt. 2, Jan. 7.—Perhaps the largest hog killed in Chatham county this season was killed Friday last, belonging to Mr. A. G. Mann. The hog was just a little over two years old, and weighed eight hundred and sixty (860) pounds. It was of the big bone Poland China stock. Mr. Mann is a successful hog raiser.

Mr. Carey Goodwin, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting his brother, Mr. W. M. Goodwin.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hearne Thursday, a daughter. Mesdames J. C. Laster and Bettie Auman are visiting relatives in Durham.

People in Chatham county each and everyone, should be proud of The Record. It is a good, newsy paper, where people, free of charge, may send in and have published local happenings and such things as of interest to the general public.

Several years ago, prior to the present ownership, a lady in this section sent in a short account in memory of a dear friend and who was a subscriber to the Record at that time. In a few days she received a letter saying that upon receipt of \$1.50 the news item would be published.

## LOCAL ITEMS FROM FROSTY.

Frosty, Jan. 5.—The neighborhood seems lonesome since the return of the many young people to their schools. Misses Mary and Margaret Mann, Mary Strowd and Messrs John Strowd and Ben Rose Strowd have returned to Chapel Hill high school, after spending the holidays at home. Miss Lou Pearl Mann has returned to North Carolina College for Women, Mr. Kenyon Strowd to Bonlee high school and Miss Laura Harris to Brickhaven, where she is teaching.

Quite a surprise party was given to Mr. Kennon Strowd Tuesday night, January 1. It must have been a real surprise. Ask Mr. Strowd how he enjoyed the night.

Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Durham and family, of Cedar Grove, recently visited his sister, Mrs. F. M. Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mann and family recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Durham, of Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Harris and family, visited his mother, Mrs. Dora O. Harris, near Bynum, recently.

Master Eugene Strowd, who had the misfortune to break his collar bone a week before Christmas, has recovered and we are glad to learn.

Notwithstanding bad weather, Rev. C. H. Caviness filed his appointment at Cedar Grove last Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Ray and children visited Mrs. F. M. Mann last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Williams visited her aunt, Mrs. Will Meacham last Sunday.

## A NICE CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Miss Pauline Taylor, of Pittsboro, was agreeably surprised Monday when she received a letter from her aunt, Mrs. B. N. Duke, of New York, in which she found 60 shares of bonds to the amount of \$12,000.00 in the General Motors Co., of New York. Half of this investment was for Miss Pauline and the other half for her sister, Miss Emily Taylor, who is going to school at St. Mary's.

No doubt the self-made man will be finished.