

REV. THOS. G. DARST BECOMES BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF E. CAROLINA

Wilmington, Jan. 6.—With impressive and imposing ceremonial, participated by a number of bishops and other prominent clergymen from several states and with a large attendance both of Wilmington people and visitors from a distance, the service of consecration of the Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Darst, formerly of Richmond, Va., as Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, took place at St. James' Episcopal church this city, this morning at 11 o'clock. It was the third consecration service to be held in St. James church. The late Bishop A. A. Watson, whose death occurred some ten years ago, was consecrated in this church. Bishop Darst was serving Richmond churches when called to the Bishopric.

Bishop Darst will live in Wilmington, occupying the See residence on Orange street. His family consists of himself and three small sons.

Bishop Tuttle Detained.
The consecration was preceded by a prayer service at 9:30 o'clock. Last night a special mission service was held in the church, the principal speaker being Rt. Rev. Beverly Dandridge Tucker, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia, he having taken the place of Bishop Tuttle, the presiding bishop of the Episcopal church in America, who failed to arrive in time on account of missing train connections at Hamlet.

Preceding the consecration ceremony there was an imposing procession of bishops, clergy, laymen, and chorists, the order of procession being as follows: Crucifer, choir, vestry of St. James church, Wilmington; lay representatives of the Diocese of East Carolina; representatives of St. James' church, Richmond, Va.; clergy of the Diocese of East Carolina; visiting clergy, clerical members of the standing committee of East Carolina; deputy registrar, master of ceremonies, visiting bishops, attending presbyters, Bishop-elect Darst, the presenting Bishops, the consecrators, the presiding Bishop.

Bishop Gravatt Preaches.
Entering the church, the service was begun with the Holy Communion. The sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. William Loyall Gravatt, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, following which Dr. Darst was presented, the presenters being Rt. Rev. Beverly Dandridge Tucker, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia; Rt. Rev. William Alexander Guerry, D. D., Bishop of South Carolina. There were received the testimonials: Certificate of election by the convention of the Diocese, canonical testimonial, certificate of ordinations, consent of standing committees, constitutional declaration.

Then followed the formal consecration ceremony, which was very beautiful and impressive. The consecrators were Rt. Rev. Dapley Sylvester Tuttle, D. D., Bishop of Missouri, and presiding bishop; Rt. Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, D. D., of Raleigh, Bishop of North Caro-

lina; Bishop Horner of Asheville, the latter taking the place of Rt. Rev. Robert Atkinson Gibson, D. D., Bishop of Virginia, who found at the last moment that he could not be present.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, was master of ceremonies and others taking part in the service were Rev. John M. Robertson of Virginia, and Rev. Charles Ashby, of Elizabeth City, N. C., as attending presbyters, and Rev. W. E. Cox, of Wilmington as deputy registrar.

Sketch of New Bishop.
Dr. Darst was elected Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina at a special meeting of the Council held at Washington, N. C., October 7, last, to succeed the late Bishop Strange. He was elected on the 17th ballot, the Council having been deadlocked until the 16th ballot between Mr. Harding of New York, and Dr. Milton of this city. The latter, after the 16th ballot, insisted that his name be withdrawn.

Dr. Darst was born at "Fancy Hill" Pulaski county, Virginia, November 10th, 1875. He is the son of the late Major Thomas W. Darst and Margaret Glendy. Dr. Darst spent his youth on his father's farm. After attending private and public schools of Pulaski county and Salem, Va., and receiving his academic education at Roanoke College, Salem, Va., Dr. Darst engaged in business for a short time before entering the Theological Seminary in Virginia, from which he was graduated in 1912. Ordained a deacon by Bishop Peterkin, of West Virginia, Dr. Darst was assigned to his first work at Fairmont, West Virginia. In 1903 he was ordained a priest by Bishop Coadjutor Gravatt, of West Virginia, and a short time later became rector of Meade and John Parishes in Fauquier and Loudoun county, Virginia. He was soon called to Richmond, Va., as rector of St. Marks' church, serving there for four years and in 1909 was called to the rectorship of St. Paul's church, Newport News, Va. He had previously declined a call to the rectorship of this church. He served this church until May, 1914, when he went to Richmond as associate rector of St. James' church. He was serving this church as rector when called to the Bishopric of the Diocese of East Carolina.

The sermon of Bishop Gravatt was gripping in its interest, being a comparison of Christ's Kingdom to that of Caesar's with the appeal for churchmen to go forward with the work which Christ started.

The certificate of election was read by Rev. Mr. Cox; canonical testimonial by Mr. B. R. Huske, Jr., of Fayetteville; the certificate of ordination by Mr. Griffith, of Kinston; the consent of a majority of all the standing committees of the country by Rev. B. F. Huske, of New Bern, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of the country for the consecration of Bishop-elect Darst was read by Bishop Guerry.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN HOLD BUSY SESSION ON MONDAY EVENING

The Board of City Aldermen met in regular monthly session at the City Hall last Monday night. The Board was presided over by Mayor Frank C. Kugler.

The following business was transacted for the past month:
W. B. Rodman, Jr., appeared before the board and asked for \$100 for the naval reserves. Motion to this was granted. This appropriation was for six months.

Fire Chief George T. Leach, reported that he had condemned the following buildings:
Building of J. Haven (as dangerous and hazardous), on the N. W. corner of Market and Second street.
Two buildings owned by Dr. P. A. Nicholson, on Market street, opposite the City Hall.
The E. of P. Building.
Building on Union Alley, third building from Main street, rear of Sewing Machine Building.
First building behind Frisbie's store.

Stables occupied by George H. Hill, and a wooden building adjoining these owned by Suskin & Berry.

The chief also recommended that he would be willing to allow part of the Hill stables to stand over spring. Also advised that Dr. P. A. Nicholson had stated that he intended to build at an early date, and recommended that these buildings be allowed to stand until spring.

Following a report of the Chief of the Fire Department, it was moved and seconded, that the Chief of the Fire Department, and the Fire Committee, be instructed to proceed further with the condemnation of buildings, such as have been reported as condemned, and the Chief of the Fire Department and the Fire Committee use their best judgment in tearing same down, and consult with city attorney and to proceed in the action of condemnation. And that action be taken not later than April 1st, 1915. On roll call the fo-

CITY WATER FREE FROM COLON BACILLI

The following report from the State Laboratory of the analysis of water sent there from this city, the analysis being made on January 2, shows no pollution whatever.

The analysis reads as follows: Sediment, none. Alkalinity, or lime, 193.7. Chlorine, or salt 12. Nitrogen, 0.08. Total number of bacteria at 20 degrees, 190. Colon bacilli, none.

RED CROSS RECEIPTS.

During the recent Red Cross campaign, 500 stamps were sold at Blount's Drug Store, 400 at the drug store of Worthy & Etheridge, and 436 at H. T. Latham's Book Store. This makes a total of \$13.30 from these three stores.

Our colored friends too, did good work. Rev. J. B. Brown, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, selling 290, and A. G. Davis, superintendent of Graded Schools, an equal number.

GUEST OF FRIENDS

Mrs. J. W. Potter of Raleigh, arrived in the city yesterday to visit relatives and friends. Mrs. Potter has many warm friends here, having lived here several years ago.

St. Paul's five shoe factories employ from 3,000 to 4,000 persons according to seasons.

Japan has produced about 350,000,000 bushels of rice annually for the last four years.

THE FORESTRY CONVENTION ON WEDNES. NEXT

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 7.—The Forestry Convention, which meets in Raleigh next Wednesday, January the 13, promises to be a gathering of great interest.

Two measures of large importance to the state, to-wit, fire protective legislation and the acquirement of Mt. Mitchell as a State Forest, have been prominently before the people for some time past, and their discussion at this meeting and their backing by the influential membership of this association will undoubtedly secure their careful consideration by the General Assembly.

Governor Locke Craig, who has promised to speak at the morning session, has expressed himself as heartily in favor of the purchase of the summit of Mt. Mitchell by the state. No one who is acquainted with the facts can doubt that something must be done and done quickly if this most interesting natural monument is to be saved to North Carolina. Governor Craig is also advocating State protection of our forests from fire, which is quite as important for the preservation of Mt. Mitchell as the former measure, and means much to the whole state.

The business necessity for protecting all our forests will be emphasized, prominent men in lumbering, tanning, furniture manufacturing, farming, and other important activities having promised to discuss it from their own points of view.

The club women, who are doing so much to improve the civic, social and economic conditions of our state, will be well represented both

CITIZENS MASS MEETING TO BE HELD TONIGHT

At the Elks Hall tonight a meeting of great and vital importance to the citizens of this city and community will be held, beginning promptly at 8 o'clock.

B. E. Rice, Industrial Representative of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, accompanied by other officials of the road, will be the principal speaker of the occasion. Mr. Rice will use the word "Co-operation" for his subject. This subject should appeal to every loyal citizen of the community who has the welfare of the community at heart.

It is to be hoped that the meeting will be well attended, and you are especially urged not to let anything interfere with your being present at the Elks Hall at 8:00 o'clock tonight.

on the program and in the discussions, which are to be invited after each address.

The Convention will meet promptly at 10:30 a. m., Wednesday in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, on Fayetteville street, and the afternoon sessions will commence at 3:00 o'clock. The evening session which will hear the report of the legislation committee and will be addressed by Mr. J. G. Peters, of Washington, D. C., and other public men, will convene at 8:00 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public to attend all the meetings.

J. S. HOLMES, Secretary, North Carolina Forestry Association.

1915 SESSION OF THE GEN. ASSEMBLY BEGINS -E. R. WOOTEN SPEAKER

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—The 1915 session of the General Assembly got under way at noon today, with Emmett R. Wooten of Lenoir county, as speaker of the House and Senator O. Max Gardner of Cleveland county as president pro tem of the Senate. The nominations, which are equivalent to an election, were announced last night. The Senate elected H. S. Williams of Carrobus for speaker and Senator R. L. Haymore of Surry county as president pro tem.

As was indicated Representative Wooten was easily the favorite and all opposition had been withdrawn when the House Democrats met in caucus. The other candidates were T. C. Bowie of Ashe, A. A. F. Seawell of Lee, and L. H. Allred of Johnston. The House caucus was called to order by Representative A. R. Dunning of Martin, who named John H. Currie caucus. P. Frank Hanes of Forsyth, was made secretary. Representative Allen of Wayne, nominated Mr. Wooten for speaker and the nomination was seconded by Messrs. Roberts of Buncombe and Grier of Iredell. Brief speeches were made.

Other officers elected were: T. G. Cobb of Burke, principal clerk; D. P. Dellinger of Gaston, reading clerk; James H. Moorling of Wake, sergeant-at-arms; Elias J. Jenkins, of Pitt, assistant sergeant-at-arms. M. D. Kinsland of Haywood, engrossing clerk. Among the defeated candidates were John D. Berry, of Wake, for reading clerk; I. J. Britton of Guilford, for sergeant-at-arms.

Senator Gardner had no opposition for president pro tem, Senator

Hobgood having withdrawn. Senator Johnston, Duplin, named Sen. Gardner, and election was by acclamation. R. O. Self of Jackson, was again elected principal clerk by acclamation; J. H. Burnett of Montgomery, was re-elected reading clerk. W. G. Aycock, of Wayne, was elected engrossing clerk over Prof. Charles W. Davis of Carteret; W. D. Gester was elected sergeant-at-arms over J. J. Lewis, Henry B. Hunter, J. H. Keer and R. G. Russell, the nomination coming to him on the second ballot. The assistant sergeant-at-arms is Benjamin F. Perry of Perquimans, who defeated several for the place.

Speaker Wooten.
Speaker Wooten is thirty-six years old, was educated at Wake Forest College, completed his law course at the University of North Carolina, and is a member of the board of trustees of that institution. He is a member of the Baptist church and is a lawyer of ability. His friends say that Mr. Wooten, though the youngest man to hold this honor, will make one of the best speakers the state has ever had.

President Pro Tem Gardner.
Wherever they talk football the name of Max O. Gardner is bound to be brought into the discussion. The president pro tem of the Senate is not one of the greatest athletes the state has ever possessed, but he is one of the best all round men. He was a good football player at A. and M. College, where he secured his bachelor's degree, and equally as good at the University of North Carolina, where he took his law course, but the chief distinction in the athletic line was his ability to organize teams. Senator Gardner has been practicing law at Shelby, has made one trip to the Senate, and has been making a success. He will make Lieutenant Governor Daughtride a good substitute.

Members Sworn In.
The first thing that confronted the new assembly was the swearing in of the officers. Principal Clerk Cobb in the House and Lieutenant Daughtride in the Senate called the respective bodies together in the formality of administering the oaths to the members was gone into. Then the election of officers followed, and the 1915 session was under way. Governor Craig will transmit his recommendations to the Assembly Thursday morning.

LABOR NEWS AND NOTES
Kentucky has a new employees' liability law.

For the blind there has been invented a watch with the hours marked by raised dots and dashes so that it can be read by the sense of touch.

One of the subjects to be brought before the new session of the Ohio legislature is a bill to reduce the tax which for many years has been levied upon insurance companies for the maintenance of the state insurance department.

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Following voted: Aldermen Archbell, Bragaw, Buckman, Morris, Berry, Whitley and Jones.

On motion the city ordered six rubber coats at \$4.50 each for the Hook and Ladder Company.

Upon motion the board passed a resolution to issue five bonds of \$1,000 each that were left unused under the act of the legislature of 1913, and the city attorney was directed to have said bonds printed. These additional bonds will be issued to pay for municipal improvements.

The committee, composed of the city attorney, Alderman Cozzens and the Mayor, reported upon the claims of Thomas Hooten, relative to his horse being killed by a falling limb. After consideration by the board, resolution was passed agreeing to pay said Hooten \$75 in adjustment.

Upon motion the following resolution was adopted:
"This is to say that Miss Beasie Burkheimer of Charlotte, N. C., is a young woman of most remarkable dramatic talent and executive ability. My family and I had the pleasure of witnessing recently a play produced and created under her skill, entitled "The Girl Who Dared," and we all agreed that it was by far the finest local production we had ever seen. I cheerfully recommend her work to the public, as I feel sure from what I have seen of the skill that she will be successful in all her undertakings."

The bills as audited were ordered paid.
Meeting adjourned.
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YOUNG LADIES GIFTED IN THE DRAMATIC ART

The following will be of interest to the friends of Misses Beasie and Florence Burkheimer, Charlotte, N. C., who were here recently and produced one of four of their beautiful musical comedies for the Daughters of the Confederacy, and made such splendid financial, artistic and social success, are perhaps the best known young women in their state, they being the creators and producers of all their plays.

"The Girl Who Dared" produced in 1910 for the first time at Charlotte, followed closely were other equally successful plays, "A Night With the Myths," "The Affinities," and "Girls Incog." They are creative artists, using only the plots composed by themselves, and have won the highest state endorsement from the U. D. C., who at Raleigh gave their work their loyal endorsement. Aside from this they are from a distinguished ancestral lineage of South Carolina blood, their grandfather is one of the most widely known ministers and college presidents (now retired) of the south. Their mother is Post Laureate for the North Carolina Veterans, a woman of force and magnetism; her poems are widely known. She is leader of the "Julian Jack-

"Durham, N. C., Dec. 14, '10.
"Miss Beasie Burkheimer:—
"I was greatly pleased to see by the Charlotte Observer of today of the very handsome success you won in "The Girl Who Dared." I was gratified to know of your success. Please accept my congratulations, and believe me to be most
Sincerely Yours,
JULIAN S. CARR,
(Commander of N. C. Confederate Veterans.)

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son Chapter Children of the Confederacy" of Charlotte, besides, a club woman and widely interested in the welfare of the state.

Washington wishes for these brilliant young North Carolina women every success in their chosen career. They are young women of charming personality and are showered with social courtesies wherever they go.

CAMPBELLS CREEK NOTES.
Mrs. G. L. Jones of Vandemere, is visiting relatives here.
Miss Nellie Ward of Parmele, and Miss Marlon Dunn of Ahsokle, our efficient school teachers, returned Saturday and resumed their duties Monday morning.
Miss Ada Mayo and Miss Allen of Measle, are visiting relatives here this week.
Mr. Cahoon and family of Pallen county, have moved to our community. We bid them a hearty welcome and wish them every success.
All of our people, who spent Christmas away, have returned home.
The Farmers' Union has started the New Year with a series of lectures by different members. We believe this will create a better interest in our local union.
Gater Wiley, who has been visiting C. D. Jones, has returned home.

With the demand that is being made upon boot and shoe manufacturers in England to supply army requirements, retailers are experiencing difficulty in obtaining stocks, particularly of men's winter boots, and retail prices are increasing.

PARENTS

Do you know that one in every four school child has defective eyesight? Do you know that 70 per cent of the backward school children in one city have defective eyesight?

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More "Do You Knows" in next week's papers.

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