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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## Head-On-Collision.

### Excursion Train Loaded With Negroes From Durham to Charlotte Dashes Into Moving Freight.

Eight Dead and Three Score Wounded.

Hamlet, N. C., July 27.—With a roaring crash and amid the screams of the injured and dying, an excursion train from Durham, N. C., running as second No. 35, bound for Charlotte, crashed head on into No. 17, a freight train in the yards at this place, this morning at 10:40 o'clock instantly killing five people and wounding somewhere between 50 and 75. Many of the injured, it is thought, will die.

The fireman of the freight train had his legs cut off, and there are many here who are seriously injured.

A special train has been arranged and even now is on the way to Charlotte with the wounded. Every doctor in this section of the country is in Hamlet and working to allay the suffering of the injured, while the railroad is doing everything possible to give the injured immediate aid.

The special was composed of 11 cars and was a negro excursion. When the trains hit the cars telescoped and the dead and more seriously injured had to be taken out of the debris.

There has been no cause given out by the railroad people as to who is to blame for the wreck and there will not be for some time as they are exerting all efforts to get the injured to the hospitals and clearing away the wreck.

The engineers of the two trains were named Taylor and Koontz. Neither of them were seriously injured, and got off with only a few bruises and scratches.

As soon as the news got out that there was a wreck in the yards there was an immediate rush for the scene. The railroad people had thrown lines around the wreck, however, and only the doctors and workers were allowed in the yards. One man counted 46 injured people around the wreck as they were brought, or crawled from the ruins.

The scene was awful and the moans and shrieks of the injured added to the terrible scene. As rapidly as possible the injured were brought out and placed in comfortable positions and the more seriously injured ones attended to first. Then the dead were identified by sorrowing friends who were more fortunate and who escaped with minor injuries.

## DIED SUDDENLY.

While eating dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Routh, Tuesday, Mr. Lindsay Julian died suddenly, age approximately 68 to 70. He is survived by a wife and one daughter, Miss Amanda Julian.

Mr. Julian was on his way from his home, in the Grays Chapel community to Randleman to do some shopping and stopped at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. N. Routh to take dinner. While eating his head was noticed to drop slightly and before aid could reach him he expired.

—Randleman News.

Miss Bera Scarborough who visited in Worthville for ten days returned Thursday afternoon.

## MANY TOWNS NEARLY DRY.

### Critical Situation In Charlotte—Water Scarce In Other Towns.

Charlotte, N. C., July 31.—The water situation is growing more serious. There is now no water from regular sources. The only relief afforded is by hauling water in tank cars from Catawba river, ten miles away. A large force of men is connecting the city reservoir with Briar creek, near here. This is expected to give about two-thirds the usual supply. This connection will be made by tomorrow night. Then water will be turned on at regular periods in the day. The drought has affected practically every nearby town. Supplies have been curtailed. Many cities are running pipe lines to creeks. Wadesboro reports conditions serious. Greensboro is making preparations to tap an additional supply. Morganton's plight is serious. Other places report similar conditions.

## A BIRTHDAY DINNER.

On last Friday July 28th 1911, a large number of neighbors, relatives and friends about 90 in number, met at the home of Mr. Atlas Wright near Kemps Mill to celebrate his 59th birthday. The people began to assemble about 10 o'clock a. m. and about 12 m. a long table was arranged beneath the beautiful oaks in the grove, and loaded it with all the good things that man could wish for to eat. Just before dinner, services were held by Mr. Spinks Craven, reading part of the 4th chapter of St. John, offering prayer and singing a song. Then all was invited to partake of the bountiful feast.

After the table had been cleared away the people enjoyed hearing the graphophone for quite a while.

Mr. Wright received some nice presents. Then the parting hour came, and all left feeling that the day had been spent pleasantly.

We all wish him many more happy birthday anniversaries, and when this life is over may be ready to meet God in peace.

## One Who Was There.

## MEXICANS STILL REVOLTING.

Mexico City, July 29.—The counter revolution against Francisco Madero and the La Barra government is spreading rapidly and is taking an alarming turn against Americans in Mexico. Representatives of the 30,000 Mexican railroad employes have forwarded a petition to the officials of the railways, demanding that American employes be discharged. The Mexicans threaten to fire every railroad unless this is done. The revolution is having much influence. At an island on the western coast 1,700 convicts revolted their ring leaders, declaring that they sought freedom to join the insurgents. A battle was fought between soldiers and convicts, in which 50 convicts were killed. At Sulpetec three persons were killed in a break between the Maderists and a mob, according to reports received here today.

"You lazy, good for nothing thing!" said the citizen to the tramp. "Why don't you go to work?"

"Work?" said the tramp. "Do you imagine that walking from New Orleans to New York twice a year is pleasure?"

## Good Roads That Are Permanent.

Chief among the qualities of a good road is that of durability, and durability can be assured only by first-class work in construction and by ceaseless vigilance in maintaining the road in perfect condition. It goes without saying that the highways of America, considered as a whole, are not to be compared with those of the older European countries. After a motor car tour through Europe, the returning American becomes painfully aware of the fact that in this most important matter, his country, even if we allow for its comparative youthfulness, is many decades behind that stage of development to which its wealth and enterprise should have carried it long ago. Although we say this with full appreciation of the fact that some of our States, and notably New Jersey and Massachusetts, have done effective work in building up a system of highways, the fact remains that, taken as a whole, the United States has not done much more in this matter of good roads than make a beginning—the work has yet to be done.

It is not that we have been parsimonious in the matter of appropriations. Had the money which has been voted by legislature and county boards; and the enormous amount of work which has been done under the assessment method, been expended wisely in the first place, and followed up by intelligent methods of maintenance and repair—in other words, had we built our roads and cared for them as they build and maintain them in Europe, we do not hesitate to say that for the money and energy expended, our roads would have been in at least one hundred per cent better condition than they are to-day.

The fundamental requirements of a good road are an ample foundation and good drainage. Without these, the most carefully leveled and smoothly rolled top surface is nothing more than a delusion and a snare. Furthermore, a road which has been built with deep foundations, good drainage, and an ample depth of suitable top dressing—unless it be watched and tended with the most solicitous attention—will go to pieces only a little less rapidly than the cheap product of the scraper and horse roller.

We have long believed that in those districts where scarcity of travel and financial inability to provide the necessary funds prohibit the construction of a first-class macadam road, it would be better to invest the time and money in constructing short sections of durable road, leaving the traffic to fight out with "chuckholes," deep ruts and mud over the balance of the highway during the winter months. The endurance of a few years of discomfort would be repaid by the ultimate possession of a permanent first-class highway. Moreover, the use of oil or some other of the many excellent "binders" that are available would make it possible to maintain the unimproved roadway in as good, if not better, condition than that of the old scraper-and-roller highway, which invariably went to pieces after the first two or three frosts and rains of the winter.

In districts where financial conditions and the amount of traffic has warranted the construction of expensive roads, millions of dollars have been thrown away because of the absolutely absurd system of maintenance (if it can be called such) which has been followed. There is no method of construction upon which eternal vigilance is so necessary as on that of the modern macadam highway. This has long been recognized in Europe, where the roadways are divided into comparatively short sections, each of which is controlled by a section gang, provided with a supply of broken rock, gravel, sand, or other road mending material, conveniently distributed in piles along the roadway. Each member of the gang has his wheelbarrow, pick and shovel, and as soon as the slightest indication of breakdown, such as a rut or hollow, is detected, repairs are made before the damage can proceed any further. A century of experience has proved that this is the only way in which a road can be maintained always in absolute first-class condition; never was the truth of the old adage "A stitch in time saves nine" more strikingly true than in this matter of the upkeep of public thoroughfares.—Scientific American.

## Barn and Contents Burned.

A barn belonging to Mr. Israel Miller, whose home is a few miles down the river, was destroyed by fire about eleven o'clock Monday night. Two mules and a wagon and a quantity of feed stuff were burned. When discovered the flames had completely enveloped the barn and no opportunity was had to rescue the mules. The origin of the fire is unknown.—Wilkes Patriot.

## Wants Preacher Enjoined.

Florence, S. C., July 27.—Because his prayers for rain during the recent dry spell were followed by such a copious and prolonged downpour that their cotton crop was damaged, neighbors of the Rev. Mr. Moore, a Methodist minister, threatened to get an injunction restraining him from offering such prayers in the future. After much talk the proposed proceedings have been dropped.

Mr. Moore is the father of "Jerry" Moore, the 15-year-old champion corn grower.

## Revival Meeting Near Back Creek.

At the John Wesley stand (better known as Robbins Grave yard) Back creek township, a series of special union meetings will be commenced Friday night August 4th. The meetings will be in charge of Revs. Henry Robbins of Charlotte, and Chas. A. Wood, and J. F. Birkhead of Asheboro.

The public is cordially invited to attend and take part in these services.

## Card of Thanks.

I take this method of returning thanks to my neighbors and friends for the kindness shown me during the sickness and death of my wife.

May the Lord bless and reward them all.

J. W. Brady,  
Millboro, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Welborn of Trinity and Mrs. Emma Marsh of Archdale guest of Mr. and H. H. Kennedy spent a short time in the city last week.

## FARMERS FREE LIST BILL PASSES SENATE.

The Farmers Free List tariff bill, championed by Simmons and other democrats of his ilk, passed the United States Senate Monday by a narrow margin. The bill will now go back to the house for concurrence and it will probably be accepted without further change.

It is thought President Taft will veto the bill.

## The New Assessment In Wilkes.

The county board of equalization completed its work Tuesday. It was, at best, a difficult and thankless job, and one that had all the elements of vexation and worry. It is doubtful that the new plan, devised by the last legislature, expensive though it is, is one whit more satisfactory or equitable, than the former plan of assessing tax values.—Patriot.

## TWO GOOD LADIES GONE.

In his infinite wisdom God saw fit to take from the home of Mr. J. W. Brady the wife and mother.

Saturday July 22, the messenger came, and Mrs. Brady's spirit was ushered into the presence of God where we believe he said, "Enter into the joys of thy Lord."

It is so hard to give up our loved ones.

We cannot see why the dear mother and companion was taken. God works in mysterious ways his wonders to perform.

He knows what is best for us. Perhaps he has taken the mother the most beloved of the family, to draw heavenward the attention of some who are left behind.

Mrs. Brady will be greatly missed, but we all have to die, and if we are faithful, we will meet again in the great beyond, where there is no more sorrow, pain or death, but will be one long dream of peace and happiness, and may the Lord bless and comfort the loved ones in their bereavement. Mrs. Brady leaves many friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Mr. E. O. York conducted the funeral service and her remains were laid to rest in the M. P. cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

Wednesday July 26, the death angel appeared again and took from our midst a dear one, Miss Nannie Hurley aged about sixty years.

For a number of years Miss Hurley had been an invalid and her death was not unexpected, she was a good christian lady and always had a kind word and pleasant smile for every body. It is hard to part with her, yet we know our loss is her eternal gain, we must not murmur for the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Her presence will be missed. God only can fill the place made vacant. It is those who have been kind that are missed when gone.

Yet while her dear ones are here grieving after her, she is happy with Jesus waiting and watching for others coming sometime.

She leaves one sister two brothers and many friends to mourn their loss.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. G. A. Laughlin in the M. P. church.

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Cedarfalls, July 31.

## The Back Home Movement.

(Special)

Seattle Wash., July 26.—As a result of the "Back Home" movement, it is estimated that 50,000 people will leave.

Washington and Oregon this Fall for the South and East. Reports coming to this city from California, Idaho and Montana say that the movement is spreading rapidly in these States. This intelligence is obtained from men traveling out of Seattle and those stopping over here. The newspapers, for obvious reasons, "kill all stories about it, but are raising a mighty shout for more advertising by the railroad and commercial clubs. It is believed here that the railroads of the West and Canada can "choke off" the publicity given the movement by distributing heavy advertising contracts among the newspapers especially in the South and East.

The "Back Home" circulars and literature received here in the West are passed from one to another until they are worn out. Sometimes one circular will be mailed and re-mailed a hundred times, and in this way interest continues to grow. Here in the City "Back Home" has become a by-word. I have heard men here say that it is worth a hundred million dollars to the South if the movement is pressed for all it is worth. It is generally admitted even by the "land sharks" and boomers of the West, as being a great "hit"; but they say the people of the South are too slow to take full advantage of it.

J. A. T. BACON.

## LAYMEN'S MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY.

The pastors and five laymen from each church in Asheboro will meet next Sunday afternoon in some church in the city for the purpose of organizing a laymen's missionary movement for the county.

The meeting will be addressed by Mr. John McEachern, State Sec., Laymen's Interdenominational Missionary movement. The place of meeting will be announced from the various pulpits Sunday morning.

On Sunday night a Laymen's movement union service will be held in the school auditorium, Mr. McEachern making the principal address, and Prof. O. V. Wootley as music director.

## Arm Amputated In Threshing Machine.

Spencer.—Hoke H. Kester, a young farmer near Spencer, lost his left arm in a distressing accident at the home of his father, Buck Kester, yesterday afternoon while threshing wheat. In attempting to throw a belt from the main driver of the machine his sleeve was caught in the machinery and his arm literally twisted off at the shoulder. His suffering was great until relieved by a physician, who was summoned from Spencer. An ambulance was also secured and the injured man rushed to a hospital in Salisbury, where he is under treatment, and it is thought he will soon recover. The accident was witnessed by a dozen or more friends, who stood by powerless to render assistance and the man was whirled around with the shaft.