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Mr. J. A. Brown Named for Senate.

The Senatorial convention of the Twelfth district composed of Bladen and Columbus counties met at Clarkton Aug. 10 and nominated Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, as representative in the State Senate, to succeed Hon. O. L. Clark, now one of the contestants for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Sixth District.

Train Kills Two Little Girls.

High Point was shocked yesterday when the news of the horrible accident at Lake reached there telling of the killing of two little girls by Southern train No. 44. Little Yada Cook and Hazel Myers left High Point on train No. 11 yesterday morning with their mothers to visit relatives near Lake and after leaving the station at Lake they were walking along the track watching a freight train going south when 44 came along, running them down.

An Interesting Visitor.

Professor E. C. H. Bantel, of Austin, Texas, Adjunct Professor of Civil Engineering in the University of Texas, and his wife, who before marriage was Miss Lillian Johnson, daughter of the late Alexander Johnson, and granddaughter of the late Sheriff Johnson, of this county, are spending a few days in the city on their way to Norfolk, Va. Both Professor and Mrs. Bantel are delighted with our city, of which they have heard so much.

Farmers' Union Meeting.

The Cumberland County Farmers' Association was in session here Saturday. It was composed of twenty unions and in the aggregate numbers over 400 members. The attendance was very large. The association convened at 2 o'clock at the Court House. Addresses were delivered by Mr. H. Q. Alexander, President of the State Association; Mr. Reeves, Secretary of the State Association; Hon. H. L. Godwin, and others. The occasion was one of great entertainment and profit to the farmers, and all others present.

Guest of Honor at Porch Party.

The Charlotte News says: "Mrs. R. H. McDuffie, of Fayetteville, was the guest of honor last week at a delightful porch party given by Mrs. Paul C. Whitlock. Mrs. McDuffie is visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph R. Ross. Invited to meet the charming visitor from Fayetteville—the Charlottean of North Carolina—were Mesdames Ross Smith, J. M. Jamieson, W. A. Graham, Hugh Montgomery, Ralph Miller, E. S. Steele, L. B. Newell, Techarner Degraffenreid, Margaret Kelly Abernethy, Cameron Morrison, J. Q. Myers, J. H. Cutter and John Stewart and Miss Josephine Dilley."

Lumber Bridge Pic-Nic.

The Lumberton Robesonian of last week says: "A great Farmers' Union, military and Masonic picnic will be held at Lumber Bridge Wednesday of next week, the 17th. Governor W. W. Kitchin will be the Farmers' Union speaker. Mr. W. O. Rodman, of Washington, N. C., will deliver the military address and Prof. J. B. Carley, of Wake Forest will be the Masonic speaker. Ex-Sheriff J. W. Hall, of Lumber Bridge, will be the Farmers' Union marshal for the occasion. The Fayetteville military company will be present with the Lumber Bridge company. "Everybody is invited. There will be a big dinner and this will be one of the most notable picnics held in the county this summer."

PRETTY HOME MARRIAGE.

Miss Amanda McD. Benton Bride of Mr. David McArthur.

At the residence of the bride on Grove street, Miss Amanda McDonald Benton was united in marriage on last Wednesday at 4 o'clock, to Mr. David McArthur, of Wakulla, Rev. L. E. Thompson, of the M. E. church, performing the ceremony. Quite a goodly number of specially invited guests were present, including Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Smith, of Wakulla, and Mr. J. H. Benton, of Spencer, N. C. The bride was tastefully arrayed in a beautiful traveling suit of tan pongee, and carried a bouquet of bride roses and ferns. Soon after the nuptial ceremonies, the very happy couple left on the south-bound train for Wakulla, their future home, where an elaborate reception was given them by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald at their hospitable home.

The bride is the daughter of the late James H. Benton, Chief of Police of this city, and is an amiable and pretty young woman, greatly admired in this community, and the groom is a prosperous young farmer and timber manufacturer at Wakulla. The Observer's best wishes attend them.

THE WAY IT GOES.

"I was run over by an automobile driven by a pretty actress." "Some men have all the luck. The only time I was ever run over was by a garbage wagon."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"GOVERNOR TAYLOR"—AN INCIDENT OF NORTH CAROLINA WAR HISTORY.

Some one has sent to us a copy of the Philadelphia Record, with the following very interesting article marked: "Couldn't Pray for Either Side. Special Correspondence of 'The Record.'"

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 2.

A few days ago an ex-Confederate veteran of Raleigh, J. S. Bland, asked a question here which nobody could answer. It was whether anyone knew about Governor Taylor, who, in the early part of the war, was the Military-civil Governor of that part of this State within the Federal lines, and dominated by the army and navy of the United States. The question was passed around, and finally has been answered by another Confederate veteran, Colonel Charles W. Broadfoot, of Fayetteville. He says:

"I give you my recollection as to Marble Nash Taylor. Upon the fall of Roanoke Island, captured by the Federal troops after a rather warm engagement in which most of the Eighth North Carolina Infantry Regiment were taken prisoners, General Burnside, the Federal Commander, appointed Taylor Military Governor of this State. Taylor was at that time a Methodist-Episcopal preacher, riding a circuit, which embraced Roanoke Island. He cut quite a figure there for a short time, and was succeeded in his honors by Edward Stanley, a native of New Bern, N. C., but who came from California to take charge as military Governor and with his headquarters at New Bern.

"A very strange event occurred in connection with Governor Taylor and General Burnside. The latter officer, who had many thousands of troops under his command, called on the Governor to conduct a service of thanksgiving and prayer on Roanoke Island, and this was held very near one of the most historic spots in the United States, Old Fort Raleigh, built in 1585 by the first Colonist of English birth in this country, sent over by Sir Walter Raleigh, under the auspices of Queen Elizabeth. Governor Taylor did not immediately accept the invitation, but called what was known as his Council of State together to consider the matter. He declared that he could not pray for the Federal troops or for the Confederates, as he had friends on both sides, and could not rejoice and give thanks for the success of either side for the same reason. Then he, with the wisdom of Solomon, divided out the prayers among his council, and took supervision of the service, reading some Scripture and then calling on the others to pray. One of the regimental bands furnished music, and there was singing by thousands of soldiers, but it was certainly the strangest thanksgiving service held in this State.

"At the conclusion of the war Governor Taylor turned up at the notable old town of Fayetteville as an ardent Republican, and in the division of offices under the new regime was made Keeper of the Poor-House. He always bore the title of Governor, this being bestowed either out of respect to the powers then existing, or in derision, as the case might be. "A little later he married a lady, a member of one of the most highly respected Scotch families, and lived through the dreadful period of reconstruction and subsequent time, gradually becoming respected as a man of earnest and strong convictions, honest and well-meaning, though misguided as to politics in the opinion of most of the great majority of his fellow-citizens. The Governor became a member of the Episcopal church. His walk in life was beyond reproach. He had the courage of his convictions, but was always charitable to others. One can imagine what must have been the difficulties in getting a footing among new environments in that trying time, but the ex-Confederate all learned to respect the Governor, so blameless was his private life, and so great his charity towards all men.

"On one occasion he went out to make a political speech soon after his arrival at Fayetteville, and while he was speaking some young men removed the bolts from his buggy, and then volunteered to help him hitch his horse. He drove off, and in a moment was on the ground, each wheel going in a different direction. He looked back and saw not a trace of the crowd and laughed. His good humor gained friends for him.

"At the time he was Governor the Federal forces were able to hold but a small part of the State; only that to which vessels could go, and while his seat of government was Roanoke Island, that of his successor, Governor Stanley, at New Bern, dominated something like twenty-one counties. "Of course, the Governor, under State and Confederate authority, at Raleigh, paid no attention to Governor Taylor or Governor Stanley, and nine out of ten of the Confederates in other parts of the State did not know of the existence of either official. The Federalists held Roanoke Island and New Bern throughout the war. In fact, Roanoke Island, their first important capture, gave them their first base of military and naval operations."

A Wonderful Field of Corn. The finest field of corn the writer has ever seen is an eight-acre patch at Stedman, cultivated by Mr. Jeff Seasons. People well versed in such matters estimate that Mr. Seasons will get one thousand to fourteen hundred bushels off the eight acres. This, so far as we know, will break all records for eight acres. The corn is now ready to harvest.

And Yet We Wonder at Crime. Puddy—The name Smith dates away back I understand. Can you tell me when it was first used? Duddy—No; probably its origin is Smithfield.—Boston Transcript.

SIXTH DISTRICT MUDDLE.

From Saturday's Morning Star, we copy the following account the Sixth District muddle:

Sixth District Hearing Begun—Committee Appointed by State Chairman to Consider Congressional Situation.—Three Sessions Yesterday.

Figuratively, as well as almost literally, "all is at sea" with reference to the probable result of the hearings now in progress at Wrightsville Beach by the committee of distinguished Democrats of North Carolina, appointed by the State Chairman to consider and report upon the unfortunate conditions in the Sixth Congressional District of North Carolina, growing out of the dual convention held at the same place three weeks ago, completed their investigation at Wrightsville Beach yesterday afternoon shortly after 5 o'clock without giving still any intimation of what their decision will be with reference to the case.

"It is gathered, however, from the trend of the investigation yesterday and the line of inquiry towards the last, that a majority of the committee probably incline to the opinion that neither of the conventions were strictly regular and it is believed that it will be recommended to the State Committee either that the convention be reconvened or that a primary be called in the district to determine who shall be the nominee of the party. As to the wisdom of such a course, among the party leaders at the beach from the district, there was a diversity of opinion yesterday, many declaring that such a course would serve only to intensify the bitter partisan feeling that has been engendered while still others hold that it is the only solution of the knotty problem of just what to do under all the circumstances. Nothing definite, however, will be known until the special committee makes up its report and the same is submitted to the State Committee to be called together later.

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"Well, what did you tell 'em, George?" Mr. Patterson asked. "I told 'em all about what you fellows did down here," squarely replied the Duke, "and what did you tell 'em, Gib?" he asked. "I told 'em what you didn't do?" rejoined Mr. Patterson, and all hands sat down to compare notes.

The next witness was ex-Mayor William E. Springer, of New Hanover, who marched down the aisle and mounted the rostrum after the dinner recess of the fateful convention, and took possession by virtue of his election as chairman of the Congressional Executive Committee in the interim. Mr. Springer was on the "griddle" not exceeding 30 minutes and was followed by Messrs. L. S. Fefel, of Brunswick, and N. L. Stephens, of Harnett, secretaries of the second convention which nominated Mr. Godwin. They testified and exhibited their records after which Capt. W. P. Oldham, of Wilmington, was heard briefly just before 7 o'clock. All the witnesses agreed that for the life of them they could not tell by the inquiries directed at them, just what the feeling of the committee seemed to be and it is certain now that the public will have to abide by the meeting of the State Executive Committee to be later called before anything definite is known. Members of the committee have eschewed the pleasures of the seashore and are working 12 hours a day in an honest effort to reach some conclusion about the whole matter without regard to any particular phase of the subject.

HAYES-WILLIAMS.

Popular Young Sampson People Married in This City.

Two popular young people of Sampson county came to Fayetteville Thursday on the noon train which comes from Wilmington over the A. & Y., and went to the Court House, where they were happily married by D. N. McLean, Esq.

The groom, Mr. James Hayes, who is a son of Mrs. H. F. Hayes, widow of the late Mr. H. F. Hayes, who was deputy sheriff of Sampson county, is a handsome young man, and is to be congratulated on winning the heart and hand of Miss Eva Williams, the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Williams.

The couple were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Tew, brother-in-law and sister of the groom. They returned on the afternoon train happy in the realization that the dreams of their courtship had come true.

Mrs. W. M. Glover and children are visiting Mrs. N. E. Bunting in Wilmington.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the register of deeds Saturday: Mr. Charles Astry and Miss Ann Bedsole, Fayetteville; Mr. James Restler and Miss Beesse West, Wade; Mr. Love Joy Howell and Miss Flora McDonald, Cedar Creek.

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The Committee Concludes Its Hearings Saturday Afternoon, With Indications That They Had Arrived At the Conclusion That There Was No Nomination.

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THE LUMITH HEARING.

The Charges Not Sustained.

After hearing the charges against Principal E. E. Smith, of the State Colored Normal School of this city, for two days, lasting until 11 o'clock Thursday night, the board of directors were unanimously of the opinion that the charges were not sustained, and returned their decision accordingly. The announcement of the decision by Chairman Cook was received with applause, and Prof. Smith was the recipient of warm congratulations by his friends on the outcome, many colored and quite a number of white citizens remaining to hear the decision of the board.

When the Board met at noon, the taking of testimony was resumed, E. E. Smith, Thomas Broadfoot, Sydney Buxton, J. M. Lamb, C. M. Watson, J. C. Gill, Sarah Godwin, Mary Godwin, F. R. Chalmers, James H. Smith and Cicero Godwin (who didn't know anything) being examined as witnesses in behalf of the respondent Smith, and Elijah Adams, Rena Adams, Dr. P. N. Melchor, T. H. McNeill, Dr. B. H. Henderson (who said he knew nothing about it) R. W. Thaggard and Rev. J. G. Smith examined in behalf of the complainant.

Messrs. A. W. Bradford, J. R. Yarn, Colin McRae, W. L. Holt, W. C. Holland, B. T. McBryde, Mr. Denmark, W. D. McNeill, W. D. Gaster, J. D. McNeill, J. W. Currie, W. S. Cook and J. M. Monaghan, white, and Rev. J. G. Mitchell, Ed. Evans, E. N. Williams, F. D. Williston, colored, and possibly others, all testified to the good character of Prof. Smith.

About two and a half hours were consumed in argument of counsel, Mr. Bennett opening for the respondent in a short speech just before recess for supper, the Board again meeting at 8:15 o'clock, when Mr. Bullard spoke for the complainant, and Mr. Shaw for the respondent, Mr. Hall closing for the complainant.

The hearing of this matter has attracted no little public interest, on account of the prominence of those involved, Prof. Smith being one of the State, and large crowds of colored citizens and not a few whites attended the hearing. Quite naturally, Prof. Smith's friends (and he seems to have many) hail the Board's decision as a complete exoneration from the charges that were made against him.

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"Col. William L. DeRosset was a native of Wilmington, the eldest son of the late Dr. A. J. and Mrs. Eliza J. DeRosset, and was born in 1832. He was prepared for college at St. Timothy's Hall, Md., and entered the University of North Carolina in June, 1849, but his stay there was interrupted in December, 1850, when he engaged in business in New York in his father's office. Having a turn for mechanics, he entered a machine shop in Massachusetts, and served an apprenticeship in that business until his health compelled him to abandon it. He returned to his home in Wilmington and again entered into the commission business, in which he remained until the breaking out of the war. In 1854 he was elected captain of the Wilmington Light Infantry, and was serving in that position when his company, with others, was ordered by the governor to occupy Fort Caswell in 1861. He was soon afterwards sent with his company to Federal Point, which afterwards became known as Fort Fisher, and commanded that fort for some time. When the legislature authorized the raising of ten regiments to serve during the war, he was appointed major of the Third Regiment, and served as such until May, 1862, when he was promoted to lieutenant colonel, upon the resignation of Lieut. Col. Cowan, and upon the death of Colonel Meares, who fell upon the bloody field at Malvern Hill, in 1862, he was promoted to the colonelcy of the regiment and served with distinction in that capacity. At the battle of Sharpsburg, while gallantly leading his regiment, he received a wound which incapacitated him for active service in the field, and compelled him to resign, greatly to his regret, for the cause in which he was engaged and for which he imperiled his life and limb was very near to his heart. At the close of the war he again resumed business, in connection with his father and brother, under the firm of DeRosset & Co., but in 1877 he withdrew from the firm, and connected himself with the Navassa Guano Company, as superintendent of agencies, later becoming secretary and treasurer of the corporation, and position he held until the time of his death. He never sought public office nor took any active part in politics, but served one term as an alderman of the city. He was a devoted communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church and served as vestryman and senior warden of St. James' parish, this city. He was a gentleman of high character, frank and manly in his intercourse with the world, sincere and upright in all of his actions and a worthy representative of one of the oldest and most prominent families of the Cape Fear."

MARRIED IN BALTIMORE.

Miss Rosa Elizabeth Roberson The Bride of Mr. C. C. Remsburg.

A marriage of interest to many Fayetteville people took place in Baltimore on August 4th, when Mr. C. C. Remsburg, to hymen's altar Miss Rosa Elizabeth Roberson, and Rev. Charles Adey spoke the words which blended two lives into one. The groom is a brother of our townsmen, Mr. E. L. Remsburg, and has many friends in Fayetteville, where he lived for several years with his brother. The bride is a popular graduate nurse of the Highsmith Hospital Training School for Nurses. Her home was Pittsboro, N. C., but she has resided in this city for the last few years.

Immediately after the marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Remsburg left for Atlantic City, to spend their honeymoon. They will be at home after August 15th, at Middletown, Md. The Observer joins with their many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

(For the Observer.) THE OLD PINE TREE.

Once there grew a grand old pine, Near our humble dwelling, Some will think it a silly mind, Of such things there is telling.

At morn I've watched its silvery boughs, In the golden sunlight wave, With friends who now doth calmly sleep, In a cold and silent grave.

At noon 'twould throw its cool, cool shade, Very near the gate, If one from home I thought had stayed, There I would stand and wait.

I found great help in the old pine tree, Although I was alone, I felt if I crossed the deep blue sea, I'd remember the old pine tree at home.

And when the sunlight hours would fade, And twilight coming on, It could not bless us with its shade, 'Twould cheer us with its song.

'Twould sing its song all through the night, A lullaby, it seemed, While visions were all out of sight, We only slept and dreamed.

But the morning came the tree must leave, And sing for us no more, My care for it did so much cleave, I even shut the door.

I did not want to see, of course, A good old friend of mine, Carried from my home by force, Although it was a rough old pine.

And now 'tis gone so far away, And into lumber sawn, I think the stump must surely stay, Until I'm dead and gone. —Composed by Mrs. Hanson Davis.

NOTHING NEW. Stella—You can now hear heart palpitations by telephone. Bella—That's nothing; I've always heard them when Cholly calls up—Harpers Bazar.

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"Col. William L. DeRosset was a native of Wilmington, the eldest son of the late Dr. A. J. and Mrs. Eliza J. DeRosset, and was born in 1832. He was prepared for college at St. Timothy's Hall, Md., and entered the University of North Carolina in June, 1849, but his stay there was interrupted in December, 1850, when he engaged in business in New York in his father's office. Having a turn for mechanics, he entered a machine shop in Massachusetts, and served an apprenticeship in that business until his health compelled him to abandon it. He returned to his home in Wilmington and again entered into the commission business, in which he remained until the breaking out of the war. In 1854 he was elected captain of the Wilmington Light Infantry, and was serving in that position when his company, with others, was ordered by the governor to occupy Fort Caswell in 1861. He was soon afterwards sent with his company to Federal Point, which afterwards became known as Fort Fisher, and commanded that fort for some time. When the legislature authorized the raising of ten regiments to serve during the war, he was appointed major of the Third Regiment, and served as such until May, 1862, when he was promoted to lieutenant colonel, upon the resignation of Lieut. Col. Cowan, and upon the death of Colonel Meares, who fell upon the bloody field at Malvern Hill, in 1862, he was promoted to the colonelcy of the regiment and served with distinction in that capacity. At the battle of Sharpsburg, while gallantly leading his regiment, he received a wound which incapacitated him for active service in the field, and compelled him to resign, greatly to his regret, for the cause in which he was engaged and for which he imperiled his life and limb was very near to his heart. At the close of the war he again resumed business, in connection with his father and brother, under the firm of DeRosset & Co., but in 1877 he withdrew from the firm, and connected himself with the Navassa Guano Company, as superintendent of agencies, later becoming secretary and treasurer of the corporation, and position he held until the time of his death. He never sought public office nor took any active part in politics, but served one term as an alderman of the city. He was a devoted communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church and served as vestryman and senior warden of St. James' parish, this city. He was a gentleman of high character, frank and manly in his intercourse with the world, sincere and upright in all of his actions and a worthy representative of one of the oldest and most prominent families of the Cape Fear."

MARRIED IN BALTIMORE.

Miss Rosa Elizabeth Roberson The Bride of Mr. C. C. Remsburg.

A marriage of interest to many Fayetteville people took place in Baltimore on August 4th, when Mr. C. C. Remsburg, to hymen's altar Miss Rosa Elizabeth Roberson, and Rev. Charles Adey spoke the words which blended two lives into one. The groom is a brother of our townsmen, Mr. E. L. Remsburg, and has many friends in Fayetteville, where he lived for several years with his brother. The bride is a popular graduate nurse of the Highsmith Hospital Training School for Nurses. Her home was Pittsboro, N. C., but she has resided in this city for the last few years.

Immediately after the marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Remsburg left for Atlantic City, to spend their honeymoon. They will be at home after August 15th, at Middletown, Md. The Observer joins with their many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

(For the Observer.) THE OLD PINE TREE.

Once there grew a grand old pine, Near our humble dwelling, Some will think it a silly mind, Of such things there is telling.

At morn I've watched its silvery boughs, In the golden sunlight wave, With friends who now doth calmly sleep, In a cold and silent grave.

At noon 'twould throw its cool, cool shade, Very near the gate, If one from home I thought had stayed, There I would stand and wait.

I found great help in the old pine tree, Although I was alone, I felt if I crossed the deep blue sea, I'd remember the old pine tree at home.

And when the sunlight hours would fade, And twilight coming on, It could not bless us with its shade, 'Twould cheer us with its song.

'Twould sing its song all through the night, A lullaby, it seemed, While visions were all out of sight, We only slept and dreamed.

But the morning came the tree must leave, And sing for us no more, My care for it did so much cleave, I even shut the door.

I did not want to see, of course, A good old friend of mine, Carried from my home by force, Although it was a rough old pine.

And now 'tis gone so far away, And into lumber sawn, I think the stump must surely stay, Until I'm dead and gone. —Composed by Mrs. Hanson Davis.

NOTHING NEW. Stella—You can now hear heart palpitations by telephone. Bella—That's nothing; I've always heard them when Cholly calls up—Harpers Bazar.

Durham to Have Finest Church in State.

The congregation of the Memorial church, Methodist, at Durham, at a meeting Sunday, perfected all arrangements to build all unfinished portions of the church. Then the great granite structure will exceed in cost \$150,000. The congregation yesterday raised \$16,500 and Mr. B. N. Duke contributed \$16,500.

Big Excursion Here Wednesday.

A big excursion will come here Wednesday from Jonesboro and will consist of