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FROM JACKSON.

Superior Court in Session--Baraca and Philathea Work--Social Events of Past Week.

Mrs. James Lamb and daughters, Anne and Marie, of Charleston, S. C., arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. Lamb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Boone.

Miss Pattie Urquhart, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. W. Lewis, returned to her home in Southampton, Va., on Wednesday.

Mr. J. W. Calvert of Norfolk spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Calvert.

Mr. Jim Jordan has resigned his position as book-keeper for E. S. Bowers & Co., and returned to his former home, Branchville, Va.

Little Miss Elizabeth and Master Egerton Ehringhaus are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. B. Ehringhaus, in Ghent, Norfolk.

Messrs. W. W. Robertson of Norfolk and H. Stuart Lewis of Suffolk were in Jackson last week.

Mrs. Jim Jordan left on Wednesday after a visit to her niece, Mrs. Frank Harris.

Dr. Erskine Ehringhaus was in Norfolk last week.

The next meeting of the Betterment Association is called on Friday, April 4, at 3 P. M. A full attendance is requested.

The Baraca class of the Baptist church made a fine showing Sunday morning as they filed in the main auditorium of the church just before Mr. Berry of Raleigh arose to address them. Harry Rowe Shelley's, "Hark! Hark! My Soul!" was very sweetly rendered by the choir after which Mr. W. D. Barbee introduced the speaker.

In a simple and unaffected way he spoke to the congregation of the origin of the Baraca class, what it has done, what it is doing and what it hopes to accomplish in the future. To those who were ignorant of the work of the Baraca and Philathea classes this was an enlightening service, and to all it was an enjoyable one. In the afternoon Mr. Berry organized classes in the Methodist church.

The play, "The Country Doctor," given here Friday evening by Rich Square talent was very much enjoyed. The story itself had much more plot to it than is usual in the plays presented by amateurs. Miss Skinner thoroughly understood the part she portrayed and never once did it get beyond her. Also we would commend Mr. Bowers for his utter lack of self-consciousness, which is to be coveted by all actors.

The social life of Jackson awoke on the morning of the 24th when the Misses Calvert entertained at breakfast at half past nine to twelve in honor of Miss Young of Durham, N. C. The breakfast consisted of five courses, beautifully served, table being decorated with violets. Those participating were: Misses Annie Jerome, Blanche Bowers, Helen Grant, Annie Sears, Rosa Perry, Sallie and Mazie Calvert, Rosaline Young, and Messrs. W. D. Barbee, B. F. Tennille, G. A. Moore, J. A. Flythe, E. W. Lewis. This was one of the most delightful occasions of the Jackson social life during the holidays. On the evening of the same day, the Rook Club was delightfully entertained by Miss Sears and Mr. Barbee. Progressive Rook was indulged in, after which refreshments were served

consisting of club sandwiches and hot chocolate. Those attending were: Misses Mazie Calvert, Sallie Calvert, Annie Sears, Blanche Bowers, Rosa Perry, Annie Jerome, Helen Grant and Rosaline Young of Durham, N. C. and Messrs. E. S. Bowers, W. D. Barbee, B. F. Tennille, M. C. Taylor, G. A. Moore, E. W. Lewis, J. A. Flythe and E. V. Wynn. The social entertainments reached their climax on Tuesday evening at 9:30 March 25, at Hotel Burgwyn. The boys of the Rook Club gave a banquet to the ladies of the Club and their guest Miss Young of Durham, N. C. Plates were laid for 18 and the table and dining-room being decorated with Club colors--red and white, and the menus being decorated with the same and Gibson pictures made a very attractive appearance and showed the artistic taste of the one in charge, Mr. Tennille. The menu consisted of seven courses. Mr. B. F. Tennille covered himself with glory as toastmaster and the responses to the different toasts by Mr. G. A. Moore, W. D. Barbee, E. W. Lewis, J. A. Flythe and E. S. Bowers were both eloquent and full of wit and good cheer. It was the event of the season and all were delighted with the evening. Those attending: Mesdames L. C. Grant and J. A. Worrell, Chapeones, Miss Annie Jerome with M. C. Taylor, Blanche Bowers with G. A. Moore, Sallie Calvert with E. S. Bowers, Mazie Calvert with E. W. Lewis, Annie Sears with B. F. Tennille, Rosa Perry with J. A. Flythe, Helen Grant with W. D. Barbee and Miss Rosaline Young with E. V. Wynn.

On account of the failure of Judge Cook to arrive, there was no court Monday. Court convened Tuesday morning. Columbus DeLoatch of Lasker was made foreman of the grand jury. The docket is light and the business of the two weeks term is likely to be completed this week.

Helping Others.

Only those who suffer most over their own faults can be of most service in helping their fellows to overcome their faults. Only as we are keenly conscious of our own sin, remembering it vividly as we cling in recognized worthlessness and helplessness to Christ as our only hope, can we be of help to others in leading them out of their faults into a lasting Christ given victory and freedom. Yet we do not often go in this spirit at the task of helping others to overcome. If we see, or think we see, some fault in another, and we contemplate speaking about it, that fault usually looms so big just then that our own faults are quite forgotten in the exercise. And our forgetfulness is the doom of our helpfulness. It makes real love and sympathy impossible. It distorts or clouds our vision. We cannot see others' faults truly unless we are feeling our weakness at the same time. One good result from this insistence upon remembering our own weakness is, that others' failures will seem so little by contrast that we shall usually decide not to mention them at all. But if on rare occasions, at God's own urgent leading, we do speak, it will be with a wealth of love and tenderness and sympathy and conscious personal inferiority and after dependence upon Christ that will uplift and encourage and inspire. May that be always our whole and only purpose as we think or speak of the shortcomings of our fellows! --Sunday School Times.

LASKER NEWS.

Graded School Closes--Farm Work Progressing--Epworth League Service--General News.

Farm work in this vicinity is progressing quite rapidly.

Mr. A. M. Williams of Boykins, Va., was the guest Sunday of his lady friend, Miss Lina Maie Gray, in the home of Mr. C. W. Draper. Masters Vernon and Lindsay Draper of Rich Square were guests Sunday of their grandmother, Mrs. A. Draper.

Mr. Ben Boone of Rich Square High School spent last week-end with his friend, Mr. Rollin Warren.

Mr. Jos. Boone of Jackson was the guest Sunday evening of his lady friend, Miss Clara Vaughan.

A company of our young people, consisting of Misses Lillian Pope, Ruth Dowell and Lina Maie Gray and Messrs. C. E. Brewer, Ralph E. Parker and Stanley C. Draper went over to the State Farm Saturday and greatly enjoyed the kind hospitality of Capt. Rhem, who is the Supt. of the Farm.

Miss Jennie Drake of Newsums, Va., is here spending some time in the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bryant.

Rev. W. B. North, D. D., filled his regular appointment at the M. E. church Sunday evening. Dr. North preached a strong sermon, as usual, and was heard by a large congregation.

Our people were shocked on Sunday afternoon when the sad intelligence was received that Rev. D. Cale's good wife was dead at her home in Potecasi. Rev. Mr. Cale is pastor of the Lasker Baptist church, and he and Mrs. Cale have been well known and loved by the people of this community, irrespective of denominations, for many years. The good man has our sympathy in his hour of bereavement.

Miss Gould of Baltimore arrived Friday to take charge of the millinery department of J. J. Parker's big store.

Mr. R. E. Peele of Portsmouth is here visiting relatives and friends.

The Lasker Graded School closed last Friday and the teachers, Mr. R. L. Scott, Miss Lillian Pope and Miss Ruth Dowell, return this week to their homes in Greensboro, Woodland and Ahoskie, respectively. The session lasted only six months this year, but all the patrons and pupils agree that it has been, in every particular, the best term in the history of the school. On Friday evening the Literary Society of the school rendered a very interesting program. It was appreciated by one of the largest audiences that has ever been in the Graded School auditorium. Many were turned from its doors because even standing room could not be found. The leading number on the program was a debate by four of the brightest young men of the school. The query was on compulsory school attendance. The debate was lively and well prepared. The affirmative was intelligently and convincingly debated by Messrs. Claudie Lassiter and Paul Britton, but the arguments which were presented by Messrs. Paul Parker and David Britton of the negative, was somewhat stronger and caused the judges to render a decision, 2 to 1, in favor of the latter. A beautiful Dictionary, which had been offered as a prize by a patron of the school, to the speaker who might deliver the best speech, was unanimously

awarded to Mr. Paul Parker. Supt. P. J. Long presented the prize with complimentary remarks to the successful contestant. After the program a silver offering was taken and refreshments served for the benefit of the opera chair fund for the auditorium. The absence of the teachers will be keenly felt by the entire community. While in our midst they proved themselves to be leaders of progress, and it is with deep regret to us that they depart from our midst. Especially will they be missed in the social life of the community. Our best wishes go with them.

The following program has been prepared for Epworth League service next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock:

Subject--"The Indignation of Jesus."

Leader--Mrs. J. J. Parker. Song service. Sentence prayers. Scripture reading, Matt. XXIII, 11-39.

Announcements. Hymn.

Talk on "The chief cause of the Indignation of Jesus"--Mr. D. A. Parker.

Prayer.

Solo--Miss Lina Maie Gray.

Talk on "The helplessness of the Indignation of Jesus."

General discussion. Hymn. Benediction.

The Small Boy and the Birds.

Asheville Gazette-News.

The friends of the birds view the arrival of the blue birds and the robins and others of the feathered tribe with mixed emotions. There is always the small boy and his "slingshot" and air rifle, and the murderous instinct of primitive man in his fair young breast; we shall have the beginnings of mankind typefied before us until the end of time. When the race has reached the time of doddering senility, in what few there are will appear at least some glimmerings of the cave-dwelling barbarian. "They are using BB shot by the pound," writes one distressed lady. "I am now nursing a lovely blue bird shot in the wing a few days since. Often the parents buy the shot for the boys, which is the greater shame. We must save our birds. The boys will have to be trained, restrained or punished."

They ought to be, that is a fact. The times have changed, with regard to the attitude of the human toward useful, beautiful and melodious members of the feathered tribe. That has resulted in a great increase of the latter. The blue bird has returned after an absence of many years. We know of at least two families of mocking birds dwelling in Asheville; and the increase of the mocking bird population in western North Carolina has numbered many hundreds, in the past few years, it may be supposed. The bird tourists are just now flocking in. In the environs you will one day find a group of plover, the next day a covey of flat field larks.

How can we get into the small boy's head that bird life is to be fostered and conserved, because it adds to the higher and purer pleasures of human life?

Tommy--"Pop what is discipline?"

Tommy's Pop--"Discipline, my son, is something you can only learn either during the first year at school or the first year of married life."--Philadelphia Record.

Old Maid--"Are those men following us?"

Pretty Girl--"One of us."--Puck.

FROM POTECASI.

Death of Mrs. Dancy Cale--General News of Town and Vicinity in Brief.

Miss Maggie Baugham returned home Sunday after spending a week with relatives and friends in and around Murfreesboro.

Dr. G. N. Harrell and wife and children of Murfreesboro spent Sunday in town with his mother, Mrs. Mollie Harrell.

Quite a number of the ladies from here attended the Woman's Fifth Sunday Missionary Meeting at Ashley's Grove Sunday afternoon.

Mr. James Matthews of Powellsville spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. S. N. Parker, guest of his daughter, Miss Nannie Matthews, a member of our faculty.

Mesdames Helen Gilbert, Mollie Harrell and Fannie Lassiter attended the Woman's Missionary Convention in Raleigh last week. They reported a great meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Doffermyre of Mapleton were here Sunday with their people. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lassiter, Mr. Doffermyre returned home Sunday night but his wife will spend some time.

A number of our young people attended the commencement exercises at Lasker Friday night, reporting a pleasant time. Unfortunately, perhaps, one couple had most decided to spend the night since their horse finding the hour of departing to be so late had already wended his way homeward at a much earlier hour.

Rev. J. F. Cale and wife and little Lois of Roxobel arrived Monday to attend the funeral services of his mother, Mrs. D. Cale also Mr. Piland of Vaughan came in late Monday evening.

Mrs. Rebecca Futrell is with her son, Mr. W. J. Baugham, again. We are always glad to welcome back any of our people.

Mrs. Seth Joyner of St. John's spent Monday with Mrs. Fannie Baugham.

This community was burdened with a great shock when it was spread Sunday night that the angel of death had quietly entered the home of Rev. Dancy Cale and borne from him the quiet spirit of his beloved wife. She had been in declining health for more than a month but at the time of her death she had seemed better. Not only will her loved ones and friends miss her but the Sunday School, church, and especially the W. M. Society of which she was a devoted, faithful member, will greatly lament and deplore the loss of one so dear to the hearts and lives of the entire community and those who knew her. She was a devout Christian and a good neighbor and her very life was a living example of noble Christian duty. Had she lived a few years longer she could have celebrated her golden wedding. Of course it is sad to give up one so dear and useful but all the better reason God wanted her to go and live with him and may the bereaved ones be comforted in the thought that she is only gone on before to a better home prepared for her and not made with hands to beckon them on when they're called. Her funeral services will be conducted in the church today (Tuesday) at 2:00 o'clock and the interment will take place in the Beale graveyard. May God's richest blessings be upon to guide and comfort the sorrow stricken ones, especially the heart-broken husband, two sons and two daughters and several grandchildren who will miss her most.