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NEED FOR CLOTHING IS BEING PRESSED UPON LOCAL PEOPLE

A large number have responded to the call made for clothing to be sent to the mountain schools. In a letter just received from the principal of one of these schools, he states there are many very worthy, deserving people, who are greatly in need of clothing.

WILL STRAIGHTEN OUT AWARD OF WEISER TO DALLAS OWNERS

Mr. J. O. Walker expects to go to Atlanta, Ga., tonight for a conference with the owners of the Atlanta franchise in the Southern Association in regard to Player Weiser who was sold last Fall by the local club to Atlanta and whom the National Commission has just awarded the Dallas Tex. team.

DR. KENNEDY TO SPEAK AT Y.W.C.A. VESPER SERVICES

The vesper service at the Young Women's Christian Association next Sunday will be addressed by Rev. J. G. Kennedy who will give the second of a series of three talks which he has begun on "Famous Mountain Peaks of the Bible."

The members of the boys and girls' mission class of Tenth Avenue Presbyterian Church will hold a reception and program of interesting features this evening at 8 o'clock in the lecture room of the church.

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Young lady of refinement to take orders for one of the best and most complete lines of goods suitable for Christmas Gifts. Good proposition to the right party. If you are open for one of the best propositions, address L. J. L., care Chronicle.

Gifts of Cut Glass

See Roark's sparkling room of Cut Glass while you are out "gift buying." Several dozen new pieces added for holiday trade. There are lots of small pieces here that make very appreciative gifts and for a moderate price.

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Let us show you the Parker "Lucky Curve" Fountain Pen. There is positively nothing that will be appreciated more, every day in the year. Prices from \$1.50 to \$6.00 and every one guaranteed.

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LETTERS

BY MARGARET KELIX ABERNETHY.

Mrs. J. M. Smith of this city, who has been spending some time in Baltimore, was here for a few days last week and left for Washington, accompanied by Miss Janie Matthews.

Mrs. E. L. Buriggs has returned home after spending two weeks visiting relatives in Gufaula, Ala.

Mrs. Clarence E. Mason will entertain at her home on East Seventh street, on Friday afternoon, Dec. 13, 3:30 o'clock in honor of the members of her team in the recent Y. W. C. A. campaign.

The following from Monday's issue of The Journal of Commerce, of New York will be of interest:

Last evening's concert in the Sunday series at the Metropolitan Hall added interest in the appearance of Eugene Years, the eminent Belgian violinist, with orchestra.

Misses Grace and Nannie King, who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. F. Brevard McDowell, on East avenue, expect to leave for their home in New Orleans on Monday night.

Mrs. E. J. Witherspoon will entertain at a luncheon at her home on South Boulevard, Dilworth, Saturday at 1 o'clock in honor of Miss Tillie Pope, who is the guest of Mrs. Samuel O. Brookes on South Tryon street.

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Tenn. who has been spending some time in the city as the guest of Mrs. Latta C. Johnston and Mrs. C. W. Tillet, will leave this afternoon for Rock Hill, S. C., to visit Mrs. Charles Boyd.

The Eclectic Book Club will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. E. E. Cochran at her home on North College street.

The Cheldon Book Club will meet tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock with Mrs. James P. Stowe at her home on South Tryon street.

Mrs. L. E. Crossland of Rockingham will arrive in the city tomorrow to spend a week as the guest of her daughters, Mrs. J. Q. Myers and Mrs. Paul Whitlock.

Mrs. Guy S. Scott and son, Master Morton, returned to their home in Spartanburg, S. C. last night after spending 10 days here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Scott on East Morehead street.

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BRIEFS.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hardeman, Jr., a daughter, Elisabeth Flournoy Hardeman.

The government estimate on the cotton crop received here shortly before 2 p. m., showed that the crop of 1912 was 13,820,000 bales. The report has been eagerly awaited by the local cotton world this week.

The finance committee of the county is still engaged in checking up the vouchers, receipts, etc., from the office of the tax-collectors for 1912, some two weeks having already been required on this work.

Isham S. Wallace has sold to E. F. Privett a tract of land at Chadwick lying along the Carolina Central tracks for \$1,550; T. M. Miller has sold to Mrs. Nellie C. Medlin for \$2,800 a tract of 10 acres in Morning Star Township.

Mrs. Sadie L. Harrill has sold to U. S. Goode for \$2,000 two lots at Piedmont Park; also to Fred L. Bryant for \$2,000 a 100-foot lot on Tenth street in Piedmont; Mrs. Ella E. Thompson has sold to Mrs. Roberta A. Smith for \$3,000 a 45-foot lot on Polk avenue.

MR. HUGH W. HARRIS IS SERIOUSLY ILL.

The host of friends in the city and county of Mr. Hugh W. Harris will learn with much regret that he has suffered a relapse at his home on North Tryon street. Mr. Harris was taken suddenly ill 10 days ago. Tuesday his condition was improved and he was able to sit up and look over his mail. It is thought that he over-exerted himself and his condition is such as to cause concern. Mr. Harris is one of the city's best known attorneys.

FLORIDA FRUIT GLUTS THE NORTHERN MARKETS.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 12.—The general manager of the Florida Citrus Exchange has ordered all members of the exchange to stop shipping fruit from Florida after Monday, December 16, until December 30. The reason given for this order is that 6,000 carloads of Florida fruit are now rotting or in the hands of Northern merchants and that this is enough to supply the holiday trade. In order to prevent congestion or an oversupply of Florida citrus fruit in the North and a corresponding decrease in the price in Northern markets, the order was given. As the exchange practically controls the Florida output of citrus fruit there is little doubt that shipments will be suspended according to the order.

CLEANS THE HAIR AND MAKES IT LOOK BEAUTIFUL AT ONCE--25 CENTS "DANDERINE"

In a few moments your hair looks soft, fluffy, lustrous and abundant--No falling hair or dandruff.

Surely try a "Danderine Hair Cleanser" if you wish to immediately double the beauty of your hair. Just moisten a cloth with Danderine and draw it carefully through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt or any excessive oil--in a few moments you will be amazed. Your hair will be wavy, fluffy and abundant and possess an incomparable softness, lustre and luxuriance.

Danderine is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes right to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them. Its exhilarating, stimulating and life-producing properties cause the hair to grow abundantly long, strong and beautiful.

You can surely have pretty, soft, lustrous hair, and lots of it if you will just get a 25 cent bottle of Kiplowitz's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter and try it as directed.

BEARS BURDEN OF COUNTY TOO

City Paying 62 Per Cent Of Total Taxes In Addition To Its Own

INTERESTING FACTS GLEANED FROM BOOKS

Figures Taken From Records of Comparative Taxes Paid by City and County Shows That the Municipality is Being Pressed With the Burdens of the General Taxation in Addition to Its Strictly Personal Levies.

Charlotte is today bearing over 62 per cent of the total county and State tax in addition to her own tax burdens, which with special street improvement work, and other municipal charges, aggregate for the coming year near \$300,000.

The situation has reached a stage where it is generally accepted on all sides that some change is called for, not in a spirit of antagonism, but as a pure business proposition and a question of the survival of the fittest in modern-day competition and finance.

Some striking figures are shown by the records of the city tax collector, and of the three collectors for the three districts of the county, district No. 2, being Charlotte Township.

For instance, it is shown that in the city of Charlotte exclusive of polls a tax rate of 1.16 2-3 is paid annually on over \$18,000,000 assessed valuation including personal and real property and all kinds of stocks.

The second district embracing Charlotte, pays \$221,338 State and county taxes and the first and third districts pay less than \$96,000, while of the \$221,000 paid by district No. 2, Charlotte pays nearly \$200,000 thereof.

The city in the aggregate pays over \$198,000, while all outside territory pays \$118,556 in State and county taxes.

The last figures represent all State and county taxes paid by that part of Charlotte Township outside of the incorporated limits of Charlotte, and by the remaining 14 townships of the county.

In considering the above, it is to be recalled that the State Corporation Commission fixes the taxable value of all railroads, electric railways and corporations as to each individual township, and the taxes paid both by the city, by the township of Charlotte and by the other 14 townships of the county, include the corporation tax, which in all events is a considerable part of the total taxes charged against each township in Mecklenburg.

The full statement of the general taxes paid by city, township and county for all purposes, excepting of course the special taxes levied by the board of aldermen for strictly municipal purposes will be found in the figures which follow:

The Figures in the Case. Total county taxes paid by—Charlotte, \$198,454. Outside city, \$118,556. City's percentage of total State and county tax, 62.3.

Further figures are: Total taxes paid by city for city purposes, \$228,738. (Not including special.) Total taxes paid by city for State, county, \$198,454.

Total taxes paid by city for all purposes, \$427,192. Charlotte Township, district 2, pays annually, State and county, \$221,338. District No. 1 pays \$54,035. District No. 3 pays \$41,639.

Total State and county, \$317,012. The total valuation, real and personal, corporations, etc., in the city of Charlotte is \$18,900,395 and multiplying this by the city rate, the total general city tax is secured.

The same valuation multiplied by the county rate of 1.05 on the \$100, gives \$198,454, which is the city's contribution to the State and county taxes, the total from Mecklenburg being \$317,012, showing that the city pays approximately 62.3 per cent of the grand total.

The city pays for road tax to be used in the county nearly \$20,000; for State purposes \$47,250; for general county, \$47,250; for schools, \$37,800; for convicts, \$47,250.

Against these sums paid by citizens of Charlotte may be set down

as paid by citizens of the county, living outside the city limits, about two-thirds of the sums above given, to be correct a little less than two-thirds, so that Charlotte is paying today more than 62 per cent of the road tax, the convict tax, the county general tax, etc.

Distribution of Polls. The distribution of the polls of the county is shown in the following: Total number in district 1, J. A. McAuley, tax collector, 2,072; district 2, Charlotte Township, 4,568 (polls in Charlotte 4,114); district 3, Squire Hood, tax collector, 1,865 polls. The total number of polls from the county records is thus shown to be 8,505, including white and black, of all ages between 21 and 50.

Taxpayers by Townships. The following figures secured from the offices of Messrs. J. M. Wilson, city tax collector, N. W. Wallace, collector for Charlotte Township, district 2, J. N. McAuley, tax collector for district 1, and Squire J. W. Hood, tax collector for district 3, show the number of polls in each township or the number of taxpayers therein:

Table with 2 columns: Township Name and Number of Polls/Taxpayers. Includes Crab Orchard, Mallard Creek, Deweese, Lemley, Long Creek, Huntersville, Paw Creek, etc.

Total taxpayers, district 1... 3,858. District 2, J. W. Hood... 4,568. Berryhill... 554. Steele Creek... 583. Sharon... 480. Providence... 500. Morning Star... 525. Clear Creek... 426. Pineville... 346.

Total taxpayers, district 2... 3,414. The City and County Rates. The county commissioners last Summer increased the rate for State and county purposes in Mecklenburg from \$1 on the \$100 assessed value to \$1.05, stating that the increased cost of all kinds of material, for stock, machinery, provisions, etc., had so increased that the enlargement of the rate was necessary, the increase of 5 cents on the \$100 adding about \$15,000 to the total State and county tax. It will also be recalled that a drainage tax is now provided for in the county assessments against all taxpayers in the county, this being however, inserted one year ago, when the general county tax was somewhat altered no increase being made in the total at that time.

The following is the present manner of distribution of the \$1.05 which the State and county tax carries with it: State tax... \$ .25. General county... \$ .25. School tax... \$ .20. Convict... \$ .25. Road... \$ .10.

Total... \$1.05. OTHER CITIES ARE BEATING CHARLOTTE IN SALE OF SEALS. Winston-Salem has ordered 20,000 more Red Cross seals and Asheville 30,000 more. This makes 70,000 for Winston and 80,000 for Asheville. The various cities are reporting very marked success in the sales thus far. Only about 25,000 have been sold in Charlotte up to date. While this is a good record it is not quite what the committee had hoped. Seals are on sale at the Tryon Drug Store, Jordan's, Woodall & Sheppard, Y. M. C. A., the colleges, hospitals and hotels. Seals in any quantity can be secured at these places or at the Associated Charities office. Seals will be delivered if ordered at the Associated Charities office or Tryon Drug Company.

LOCAL FIRM GETS CONTRACT FOR AN ELECTRIC PLANT. Messrs. Tucker & Laxton, contractors of this city, have been given the contract for the electric power plant which is to be built at the Lumberton Cotton Mills at Lumberton. The work has been going on for a short time, and will be finished up about the first of February. The mills have been running heretofore with the steam power, but since the electric plant has been completed at Blewett Falls, it is now able to supply the mills in its vicinity with power.

The contract for the electric plant for the new mill of the Durham Hosiery Company at Chapel Hill has been given to the firm of Tucker & Laxton. This work will be finished within about two months, at which time the mill is expected to be ready for operation.

You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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A Bank Book For Christmas

The lasting good which comes to those who are presented with bank books as Holiday remembrances imparts the spirit of Christmas cheer to both the giver and the one who receives.

Accounts may be opened in our Savings Department with \$1.00 or more. 4 per cent interest paid.

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WINS NEW LAURELS

Mathewson Proves Himself an Adroit at Games Other Than Baseball

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Christy Mathewson, who at certain seasons of the year is known to the public as a baseball pitcher, took his famous right arm to the West Side Y. M. C. A. last night and used it in maintaining his reputation as champion checker player of uptown New York.

His opponents were 17 picked players from the ranks of the Y. M. C. A. Checker Association. The games were played simultaneously, the players sitting in a long oval with "Matty" inside, moving slowly from board to board. Thirty minutes after play began Mathewson scored his first victory. An hour and 15 minutes later, it was formally announced that 17 games had been played. The pitcher had won 11 lost three and the seventeenth game was a draw.

WILL HAVE GREAT PERRY CELEBRATION. BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Over a quarter of a million dollars was pledged here yesterday to carry out an elaborate program of pageant in celebration of Commodore Perry's victory over the British fleet on Lake Erie 100 years ago. The funds were pledged by members of the interstate committee of the Perry centennial celebration and the sub-committee of the national executive committee, representing a dozen cities on or near the Great Lakes. Arrangements were made for pageants at Buffalo, Cleveland, Erie, Green Bay, Lorain, Milwaukee, Sandusky, Toledo and Louisville.

NAVAL OFFICER MAKES HYDROPLANE FLIGHTS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—In spite of cold and wind, Lieutenant T. G. Ellyson, of the navy, is making extensive experiments with the navy's hydro-aeroplane, or "flying boat," today he planned to make an extended flight along the Potomac River. Yesterday he made a flight of 26 minutes, alighting on the water and arising ten times. He attained a height of 800 feet. The flights are made from a new launching device at the Washington navy yard. The new machine, according to the officer, behaved splendidly.

'Till Christmas only 10 Shopping Days

A careful reading of the advertisements in The Chronicle will assist you in selecting gifts for every body.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS VIA SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY. The Seaboard Air Line Railway will sell Holiday tickets between all stations on its line at greatly reduced rates on December 13, 14, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 31 and January 1st good to return until January 6th inclusive 1913. This will be a great opportunity to visit your friends during the Xmas time at greatly reduced rates. For further information on your nearest agent or undersigned.

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