

Mrs. S. T. Pearson Dead.

A message received by relatives in the city Friday morning, brought the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. S. T. Pearson, which occurred at 3 o'clock Friday morning at her home in Morganton. She had been in very poor health for some time, but was thought to be improving until Thursday morning, when her mother, Mrs. J. E. Ervin, was telegraphed for the message stating that Mrs. Pearson was very, very low. Mrs. Ervin left on the evening train for Morganton and reached the bedside of her daughter before life was extinct.

The death of this young wife and noble woman is peculiarly sad and is deeply deplored by her many, many friends, who are without number. The news of her death is a terrible shock and quite unexpected. Mrs. Pearson was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Ervin, and sister to Mrs. Dr. H. S. Young, Mr. Samuel J. Ervin and Miss Janie Ervin, of this city.

The remains were brought to this city for interment, and arrived Friday night at 9 o'clock.

The funeral services took place at the residence of her parents on Spring street Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Instinctive Grief.

A touching story is told of a pair of thoroughbred Kentucky mares that were bred from the same dam and became so much alike and so attached that they were allowed to remain together always. Recently one sickened and died in a New York livery stable. The other fretted and waddled from her usual good humor at times and at once became vicious and dangerous to be about. She can't be induced to accept any other horse by her in the stall nor can she be tempted to eat. Her veterinarian says it is simply the grief of bereavement and may cost her her life.

Married Up a Tree.

WILMINGTON, Pa., March 31.—Miss Lizie Swanger and Harry Bangler, her accepted suitor, quarreled at a party held at a neighbor's house, near Montrose. Shortly before midnight they returned to their homes. They were accompanied by the Rev. W. Hunter. The party had occasion to pass through a field. Here they were pursued by a furious bull and all three took to a tree. Miss Swanger climbed one tree and Bangler and the minister the adjoining two. The infuriated bull ran around and around the tree, bellowing and throwing the earth in the air. The trio remained up the trees nearly an hour and no relief came. The bull still stood guard.

Thinking this an excellent time to reconcile the couple the minister began. His work was done, however, almost before he had begun. The couple desired to be married then and there, thinking they were about to meet a tragic death, and the minister married them. Bangler had a license in his pocket for several weeks. The lovers could just join hands from where they clung, and when they got a grip they held it, while Mr. Hunter performed the ceremony. When the good man had concluded Farmer Stone and his two boys drove up with a load of ice. An explanation was hastily spoken and the bull was driven away, the preacher kissed the bride and received his fee, and the party were driven to the residence of Mr. Bangler.

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The First Shadow. John O. Leslie, Jr., the nine-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Leslie, died yesterday afternoon at 3:10 o'clock, after an illness of four weeks. The child was not critically ill until a week ago yesterday. Since then his life had hung on a slender thread, and the anxious father and mother had looked to see it snapped any night or morning. It is their first sorrow, and the hearts of many friends go out to them. "I is well with the child," but the bereavement is none the less great to the young parents.

The funeral services will take place this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at the residence, and will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Howerton. The pall-bearers will be: Messrs. Chas. Keerans, James Henderson, M. S. Elliott, Buxter Ross and Chas. F. Wadsworth.—Charlotte Observer of April 2nd.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie in this city and community learn with sorrow of the sad news that bereaved their home by the death of their little son.

Weather Report for March.

Prof. H. T. J. Ludwig, of North Carolina College, at Mt. Pleasant, sends THE STANDARD the following weather report for the month of March, 1897: Highest temperature 80 degrees on 21st. Lowest temperature 27 degrees on 28th. Average temperature 52.6. Number clear days 6; partly cloudy 3; cloudy 23. Prevailing direction of wind, S. W. Number of days on which rain fell 19. Total rainfall for month 6.35 inches. Heaviest rain 1.97 inches on 6th. Thunder showers on 6th, 9th, 10th, 13th. Ice formed on 1st, 25th, 26th, 28th, 29th. Frost on 1st, 25th, 26th, 28th, 29th.

RAINFALL FOR THE YEAR.

January, 3.62 inches; February, 5.26 inches; March, 6.35 inches. Total 14.23 inches.

Head Burst Open.

News of the death of Mr. Will Nolen, son of Dr. Nolen near Crouse, after intense suffering of an unusual nature, reached this place Tuesday. He died Sunday morning. For several days he had been suffering with severe pain in his head, with more or less indication of a rising inside. Saturday before his death on Sunday it is said that his skull burst, the bones parting asunder. The sufferer was driven mad by the intense agony he endured. The deceased was about 30 years of age and leaves a young wife and one or two children.—Gas ton Gazette.

Fearing Being Confused.

He had on a sombrero hat and a lowcut vest, and the little goatee that grew from his chin was snow white. He walked leisurely into the room where there was a little game in progress and looked on for a few moments.

"Won't you join us, colonel?" suggested one of the boys.

"No, sah, I cannot join you in the game I fear the chips would confuse me, sah."

"Why, aren't these the same sort of chips that were always used, colonel?"

"No sah. When we played we only used two colors, sah. White and black, sah."

"White and black! What did the whites stand for, colonel?"

"A bale of cotton, sah."

"And the blacks?"

"A nigger, sah, a nigger."—Washington Post.

North Carolina's Sponsor.

Miss Nannie Branch Jones, of Raleigh, who has been appointed sponsor of the North Carolina Division, United Confederate Veterans, at the next annual reunion, to be held at Nashville, Tenn., on the 22d, 23rd and 24th days of June next, is a granddaughter of Gen. Lawrence O'Brien, who was killed while commanding a North Carolina brigade in the battle of Antietam. Before the war he served with distinction in the national House of Representatives. Miss Jones will in due time appoint ten maids of honor.—Greensboro Patriot.

A New Merchant.

Mr. S. Goodman has arrived in the city from Lexington and will at once open out a general merchandise business in the Litcher store room. Mr. Goodman brought his family with him and has moved into the Wagner house on North Main street.

SHORT LOCALS.

Whooping cough is raging in No. 5 township. There are several cases in the city, also.

March did not die a quiet death. The last few hours were blustery and cold.

Master Karl Johnston has severed his connection with the telegraph office as messenger and has been succeeded by Ernest McConnell.

Miss Cornelius has decided not to teach her eight-ling class on account of the late start, which would necessarily carry the school into the summer months.

It is learned that Col. Julian S. Carr's well-known farm, "Ocoonechee," near Hillsboro, has been sold to wealthy northern men.—Salisbury Sun.

The Grand Chapter of North Carolina Royal Arch Masons and the Grand Commandery of North Carolina Knights Templar will hold their annual convales in the city of Wilmington on May 12th.

The gloomy fears and the weariness of soul, of which so many complain, would disappear if the blood were made more healthy before it reaches the brain. Ayer's Sarsaparilla purifies and vitalizes the blood, and thus conduces to health of body and mind.

When the blood is kept pure and the system thoroughly invigorated by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, sudden changes of temperature and extremes of heat and cold, so characteristic of certain climates, are rarely attended with injurious results. Take it now.

Cannon & Foster having seen the good results of judicious advertising have doubled their space on this page and tell you something interesting about Ladies' Landried Shirts which they sell so cheap that it will pay you better to get a new one than to have your old one washed.

The abundance of food this year is in part attributed to the recent law against the use of wire nets near the mouth of the Cape Fear. These fish were never so cheap before. A good sized buck can be bought for 20 cents, and a roe for 30 cents.—Fayetteville Observer.

The Southern Railway will have to increase its storage room at its freight depot if it expects to continue to do the business of our growing little city. Five or six car loads of merchandise stands on the side track and cannot be unloaded for lack of room, which causes the impatient drayman and the anxious merchant no little amount of vexation.

As evidence that judicious advertising pays, a merchant of this city, who advertises liberally in the columns of THE STANDARD, yesterday received an order for quite a large bill of dress goods, etc., from a lady who lives many miles away. The goods were shipped this morning. These are other such orders every day to merchants who advertise in THE STANDARD.

Fifty dollars a week easily made. Agents wanted in every locality for Hon. W. J. Bryan's great and only book, "The First Battle." The best seller ever produced. Agents are taking as many as 200 orders per week. Beware of fraudulent imitations. Send for outfit and begin work at once. W. B. Conkey Company, Publishers, 341 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

The burden of labor is constantly being lightened by new inventions, but nothing new has yet been discovered to lighten the hours of labor, and make life worth living like Simmons Liver Regulator does. It's the King of Liver Medicines. A sluggish liver depresses one's spirits and causes languor besides upsetting the whole system. But Simmons Liver Regulator tones up and strengthens the body.

Our I's and... Other Eyes.

Our I's are just as strong as they were fifty years ago, when we have cause to use them. But we have less and less cause to praise ourselves, since others do the praising, and we are more than willing for you to see us through other eyes. This is how we look to S. P. Boyce, wholesale and retail druggist, Duluth, Minn., who after a quarter of a century of observation writes:

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Any dealer who sends for "Carbolic" to kill disease and cure disease. Address J. C. AYER Co., Lowell, Mass.

The Farmers' Mutual Meets.

According to the call of President John P. Allison the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association met in the court house Thursday at 1:30 p. m., President Allison in the chair. Agent Geo. F. Barnhardt acted as secretary. The chief business before the house was the election of officers. Mr. J. P. Allison declining re-election, several nominations were made, but were withdrawn in favor of Mr. Zeb Morris, who was unanimously elected to that office. Mr. William Probst was elected as secretary and treasurer.

The township supervisors elected are as follows: No. 1, J. L. Stafford, No. 2, W. F. Cannon, No. 3, G. C. Goodman, No. 4, W. D. Gilton, No. 5, H. H. Blackwell, No. 6, G. E. Ritchie, No. 8, R. B. Ackwelder, No. 9, M. E. Herrin, No. 11, S. W. White.

Some discussion occurred as to the propriety of assessing all the stock insured to create a fund for the use of the association especially to meet losses and a motion prevailed to authorize the president to call a meeting about the first of next August to consider the matter of creating such fund. The meeting then adjourned.

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EDITOR STANDARD:—I have noticed the name of Mr. James F. Hurley mentioned on your next issue. I have "felt" quite a number of voters at Forest Hill on the subject and find that Hurley would make a better run and suit our people better than any other man we can put out. I think I am voicing the sentiment of a majority of our voters. WARD 2 VOTER. Forest Hill, April 1, 1897.

Green's Greenes Affair.

Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock Mr. James W. Goodman and Miss Etta Little, a young couple of Forest Hill, called at the Baptist parsonage and presented to Rev. Payson the proper papers and requested to be married at once. The ordeal was soon through with and the happy couple returned to their home, the two as one. We were informed that it was a runaway affair.

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Reading a life of Jesse James led them to cruel murder. They hotted high on the money secured from their victims. Then came home to be apprehended, tried and hanged. A warning speech from the gallows.

NEW ORLEANS, April 2.—Ernest and Alexander Blanc were hanged at 2 1/2 this afternoon, in the yard of the parish jail, at Lafayette. They displayed no fear of death. Ernest made a speech from the gallows, in which he cautioned all bad people to listen to the advice of their betters. He was sure that his sins on earth were all due to the bad books he was in the habit of reading. He advised all young men to abstain from bad books. Alexander, the younger brother, did not speak as he agreed that his brother was to talk for both. The black caps were adjusted, and at 2 1/2 the lever was sprung by Sheriff Broussard. These were only fifteen witnesses to the execution. The necks of both young men were broken and they died instantly.

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