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THE V. M. C.'S

of Concord—When and Where Organized—Other Things.

Very many Carolinians will know what the letters, "V. M. C." stands for, though if the writer knows he is not allowed to tell, as this is one of the things that a member of the Royal Arcanum must ponder in his heart.

The Royal Arcanum was fourth in organization in our city and was organized just about one year before the Odd Fellows revised their lodge.

The Cabarrus Council, No. 1205, Royal Arcanum was organized on the night of the 26th of November, 1889, with the following charter members:

Messrs. Luther Bost, Frank Goodson, Robt. E. Gibson, M. M. Gillon, John A. Kimmons, Chas. G. Montgomery, Frank L. Smith, J. W. Peeler, John A. Sims, John C. Wadsworth, Jesse Willeford, Rev. C. M. Payne, and Drs. J. S. Lafferty and R. S. Young.

We notice among the names of charter members Mr. Jesse F. Willeford, who was also a prominent Odd Fellow. Unfortunately, however, he withdrew from the Royal Arcanum about four months before his death, thereby receiving no death benefits. Mr. Willeford was also elected Secretary at their first meeting, we find.

The order has increased in membership gradually each year until it now numbers forty-two. Out of this whole number, they have never had a death in the fraternity.

This order has its own hall, which is upstairs over Dr. Johnson's drug store, and is nicely furnished.

This order is a fraternal beneficiary organization. They have both half rate and full rate certificates, which entitles the holder to \$1,500 and \$3,000 respectively, the amount to be paid to his widow or any designated one at the death of the member.

This lodge also has a compulsory sick benefit, which requires that the order, in case of the sickness of the brother member, to carry his insurance policy until he is again able to take it up. During all this member's sickness, and including the amount they have paid out to keep up his policy, still none of this amount is deducted from the amount that is paid the widow at his death.

The above are the regular rules of the order, though existing circumstances sometimes call for the helping still more of the widow and orphan, and to this they also respond.

This order also has a most beautiful burial ceremony, but, as before stated, they have never yet been called on to administer one.

During the year 1897, the lodge added to its list new members, and from their organization to the present time, they have only lost altogether by suspension, withdrawal and removal, six members.

The times of meeting of this organization is on the first and third Tuesday nights of each month, in their hall.

Their present officers, who are elected annually, are as follows: W. G. Boshamer, Regent; W. L. Bell, Vice-Regent; J. F. Goodson, Secretary; R. E. Gibson, Treasurer; John A. Kimmons, Collector; Rev. W. P. McGhee, Chaplain; J. L. Hartsell, Orator; Geo. E. Fisher, Guide; M. L. Blackwelder, Sentry; and C. A. Dry, Warden.

Thus closes the different points

of interest of the V. M. C.'s of our city, which were given us by the Orator of the Royal Arcanum, Mr. J. L. Hartsell.

The Knights of Pythias will please come forward next, and tell us what they know that will be of interest to other people.

Household Gods.

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in every home. The household god of today is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of throat, chest and Lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottles at Fetzler's Drug Store, Regular size 50c and \$1.

SUPERIOR COURT

In Session and the Cases That Have Been Disposed of Up Till This Time.

State vs. Jim Fisher, Mack Parks, Sam Stirewalt and Wes Cowan, affray. All guilty except Mack Parks. Each guilty person sent to chain gang two months.

State vs. John Gilmer, breaking in house of W. D. Faggart and stealing gun, guilty; chain gang three years.

State vs. Shakespeare Gilmer, assault with deadly weapon, guilty; chain gang two months.

State vs. Walter Rankin, attempt to steal, guilty; chain gang twelve months.

State vs. Jim Smith, breaking glass at night in rear of Morris hardware store, guilty; twelve months on chain gang.

State vs. O. A. Fisher and G. Fisher, disposing of mortgaged property, not guilty.

State vs. Joe Caldwell and Annie Wilson, fornication and adultery, both guilty. She is sentenced to be confined in the county jail six months if found in the county ten days from today (Friday). He is sentenced to the chain gang six months, but sentence not to take effect until at the time that the solicitor issues a capias for him.

State vs. W. A. Downum, larceny of cord wood, not guilty.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tettered Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures them or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at P. B. Fetzler's Drug Store.

An Immense Hog.

Probably the largest live hog to be found in North Carolina is owned by Mr. J. C. Hedrick, of Silver Hill, Davidson county.

Deputy Collector Thompson, who spent yesterday in Davidson, tells us that he saw this mammoth piece of hog flesh and that it measured ten feet around. From tip to tip it is eleven feet in length and weighs 900 pounds.

The hog is now two years old and despite his weight is able to get around with celerity when the occasion requires.—Salisbury World.

Hood's Sarsaparilla has over and over again proved by its cures, when all other preparations failed, that it is the One True BLOOD Purifier.

A FRESH LOT OF

Cheese Wafers

Just Received at

Ervin & Morrison GROCERS

The School Board Has No Power.

EDITOR STANDARD:—The resolution passed by the physicians at their meeting January 26th is a timely and important warning to the public in regard to vaccination, but when they urge the graded school commissioners to have the children of the public schools vaccinated they assume that the school board has a right to do as they urge. The board has no such right. The pupils of the Charlotte public schools were vaccinated by the orders and authority of the city council or local board of health. Superintendent Graham, of the Charlotte schools, told me so today. The school board of Concord has asked the city council, there being no local board of health, to pass a similar order and will assist in its execution.

Beyond that the board does not see that it can, as yet, do anything. Personally, I favor compulsory vaccination, either for the public schools or the entire population.

E. B. LEWIS,
Supt. Schools.

Jan. 28, 1898.

Stop drugging yourself with quack nostrums or "cures." Get the well-known pharmaceutical remedy that will do the work. Catarrh and Cold in the head will not cause suffering if Ely's Cream Balm is used. Druggists will supply 10c. trial size or 50c. full size. We will mail it.

ELY BROTHERS,

56 Warren St.,
New York City.

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement, "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

William Jackson Dead.

William Jackson, the first victim of smallpox in Charlotte, died Thursday morning at 5 o'clock. It was seen that Jackson had a virulent case though it seems he caught it from a man with a case so mild that it was thought to be chicken pox. There was no little ado that Chief Orr had to get the man buried. He was buried six feet deep in the cemetery for the colored.

The other case is said to be getting on well.

No new cases are yet reported.

Forest Hill News.

Miss Ida Turner, of Bethel, No. 10 township, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore.

Mr. W. R. Odell, who has been to Nashville, Tenn., on business for a week, will arrive at home tonight.



Even the Baby Likes Them.



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It is not to be wondered at, as our shoes are not only well made, but pretty. It is just as important to have a shoe fit well as it is to have a glove fit well. You will not be troubled about the fit if you get your shoes here.

We have such a variety of styles that we can be pretty sure to fit any style of foot, and please the most fastidious taste. As to price—it goes without saying that our prices can't be too high, because you get your money back if we charge you too much. Our constant effort is to have the best thing for the price.

Take our \$1.25 fine shoe for ladies. Nothing to equal them in the State at that price. For style, for good appearance, for service, and all qualities that go to make a good shoe, we'll match them against any \$1.50 shoe you can find.

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