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ROCK HILL'S GREAT FIRE.

Loss \$250,000, Insurance \$150,000.
Fire broke out in a barber shop under the New York Racket store at Rock Hill, S. C., Saturday night at 12 o'clock and was soon beyond all control.

A 'phone message was sent to Charlotte at 2 o'clock for aid. Mayor Springs communicated with Capt. Ryder for a special train, and in an hour and ten minutes an engine and reel were aboard and in 35 minutes the train landed it in Rock Hill.

The fire was under fair control, however, by that time, but it had already consumed \$250,000 worth of property on which there was \$150,000 of insurance.

The following from the Charlotte Observer is the list of the losses:

The fire broke out in the New York Racket Store, on Main street, conducted by Mr. S E True, and by Mr. A W Klutz, of Chester. It spread to the east and to the west, burning in the former direction through the stores of R T Fewell & Co., general merchandise; J B Johnston, drug store; Geo. Beach, jewelry; A Friedheim & Bro, general merchandise; August Friedheim, dry goods and clothing, and A E Smith & Co., general merchandise. Burning in the westward direction, the flames licked up the stores of J H Milling, grocer; A J Evans, drug store, and J W O'Neel, grocer. Here the fire turned the corner and swept northward up Depot street, consuming the store of H O Cox, grocer, and the Depot street L's of R T Fewell & Co, the Racket Store and J W O'Neel. It also destroyed the drug store of R J Hagins. The stock and store of J L Johnson, grocer, were somewhat damaged, though the larger part of the stock was saved. All the stores save those of J L Johnson, Hagins and Cox were two story structures, the Friedheim buildings being of three stories.

Among the other firms burnt out and halls destroyed are Roddey's Hall, over O'Neel's store; Mrs. Minnie Katteree & Co., over R T Fewell & Co's; also the Arcade Cotton Mill office; Dr. Isaiah Simpson, with handsome outfit, over J B Johnston's drug store; offices of the Globe and Standard Cotton Mills over the Racket Store; Dr. J M Hunter and the Messenger office (colored newspaper) over the Racket; Dr. W W Fennell, over Johnston's drug store.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call at P. B. Fetzer's drug store and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

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PROBABLY HAVE TO GO.

Prof. Lewis Will Probably Have to Go to Kinston at Telegraph Orders.

Prof. E B Lewis, Superintendent of our Graded School, is feeling a little bad about some telegrams that he received on Sunday and today (Monday.) Prof. Lewis, about three years ago, was enlisted with the naval reserves at Kinston, N. C. Since that time he has not been with the company but nevertheless his name is recorded among the members at that place.

On Sunday morning hereceived a telegram from his father, stating that the naval reserves had been ordered to be in readiness for service at telegraphic notice. As this came from Prof. Lewis' father, and was not official, nothing was feared. But to his surprise early this morning a telegram was sent to his home from Lieutenant Commander Pollock. The latter telegram is official, and in case of war nothing more would be sent except what was in this message.

Prof. Lewis at once sat down and wrote a long letter to Lieutenant Pollock, stating the fact that he could not leave his work here and also the fact that he had not been in their ranks for quite a while.

The Romantic Comedy Drama, The Heart of Ouba, at Caton's Hall tonight. It is rarely our theatregoers have an opportunity to witness a performance like the above as presented by the Merry Makers. The company is the best in the South this season, having played every city from Baltimore to Mobile. The play is thoroughly up to the times, full of thrilling situations and sensational climaxes. The comedy element is pure, clean and refined. The battle scene in the first act is at once vivid and realistic showing as it does the fierce strife between the downtrodden Cubans and their relentless oppressors the Spaniards. The company is a very strong one, including such well known actors as Harold Holmes, J Ed Byers, J C Robisch, Al Berger, Miss Mayme Childress, Ioue Fuller, Margaret Willard and others. The transformation scene in the last act, representing the stage of the Tacon Theatre in Havana, is a marvel of beauty. The company carry their own scenery, magnificent wardrobe and musical director. The music, singing and dancing are sparkling, bright and catchy. Everything new, novel and up to date. The prices are 25, 35 and 50 cents, within the reach of all. Those missing this chance of seeing a play depicting in the most picturesque manner the awful struggle that is now agitating the whole world will lose a rare treat.

To Be Erected at Norwood.

As our readers will remember, a company has been planning to erect a new cotton mill either at Norwood or Albemarle. Those interested in it are the Messrs. Rayne, Lentz and Asbury, of Mt. Holly, together with several prominent men of Norwood. These men have now decided to erect the mill at Norwood and the plans are now being made to start the work.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. S J Lowe went over to Charlotte this morning on business.

—Mr. Ed. Heilig, of Salisbury, passed through town this morning on his way to Mt. Pleasant.

—Miss Irene Ridenhour, of near Mt. Pleasant, is spending a day or two at the home of her brother, Mr. R E Ridenhour.

—Mr. Sam Smith, who travels in the interest of the Standard Oil Co., spent Saturday and Sunday in our city.

—Mrs. M L Frazier returned to her home at Charlotte last night after spending the day at the home of her son, Mr. C B Frazier.

—Mesdames Rev. Scherer and Prof. Bowers, of Mt. Pleasant, were seen taking in the millinery department today.

—Miss Addie Boger and Rev. Mrs. C, L T Fisher came over from Charlotte this morning to spend the day with friends.

COTTON SEED For Cows FOR SALE BY Ervin & Morrison GROCERS

More Runaways.

Friday, April 1st, was a good day for the pupils of the colleges to play off a joke on their teachers by failing to answer "here" when the roll was called. This was the case at China Grove at Prof. Wright's school. We are informed that there was only about a half dozen to be found during the day. They spent the day roaming around, very probably hunting.

The same trick was played by the young ladies at the Seminary at Mt. Pleasant. Before daylight nearly all of the girls were gone and the doors of the classrooms were tied shut. The bell was also muffled. The young ladies spent the day in the country and at the close of the evening the girls were seen coming home in a wagon which they had hired to bring them home.

We have not yet heard of any action being taken by any of the teachers and suppose "they haven't anything to say."

A Roller Mill For Mt. Pleasant.

For some time there has been a movement on foot at Mt. Pleasant to erect a roller mill, and at last these plans have fully developed. Mr. W R Kindley, of that place, has already ordered the machinery, and will put it in the old mill on Buffalo creek, near Mt. Pleasant. The machinery, however, will not arrive before the first of June. The machinery is of the latest style and of the highest capacity.

Big Bargain Sale, Monday, April 4th.

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