

# Daily Concord Standard.

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CONCORD, N. C. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 1898

WHOLE No 11799

## MR. R W ALLISON DEAD.

PASSES AWAY AT 5:35 A. M. FROM HEART FAILURE.

End of a Life of Nearly 90 Years Filled With Usefulness and Honor—Some Sketches of His Life.

As the night shades were yielding to the expanding and the unfolding light of day on this (Wednesday) morning at 5:35 the breath of life departed from the venerable and the beloved Robert Washington Allison, and his spirit greeted the higher light as of an opening day in the world beyond, that is seen by the strongest faith, as through a glass darkly. The end was not unexpected by loved ones and not unwelcome to our subject. It was but the gentle going to sleep and shutting out of a life of earthly affairs, surrounded by all that one desires in death save the presence of one surviving member in his household.

Mr. Allison was born in Charlotte, April 24, 1809, making an age of 89 years, 4 months and 27 days. At the age of about 14 years he came from the Poplar Tent neighborhood, where his parents then lived, and clerked in the store of his uncle, Joseph Young, the grandfather of our townsmen, A B and R S Young.

At maturity he purchased the property from his uncle which has ever since been familiar to all as the Allison corner.

He was married May 31st, 1842, to Miss Sarah Ann Phifer. To them were born nine children, five of whom preceded their parents to the grave. The living are Mrs. Capt. S E White, of Fort Mills, S. C.; the Rev. Joseph Y. Allison, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Baton Rouge, La.; Mr. Jno. P Allison and Mrs. J M Odell, of Concord. Mr. Allison had the good fortune to have his bosom companion spared to him till late in life. In February, 1889, he bowed to her bereavement, however.

Since then he has calmly awaited death, though he never ceased to manage his business affairs, which he kept as clearly before his mind as in the zenith of his life.

In July, two years ago, he was affected with heart failure, from which he rallied. During the last July he again suffered a similar attack, from which he again partially recovered, till about two weeks ago he took his bed from which no more to rise.

Mr. Allison has been much in public life. He represented the county in the General Assembly in 1866. He was a member of the convention in 1865 that framed our present constitution. But it was in the ante-bellum days that he gained the sobriquet of Judge Allison, on account of being for a long period the chairman of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions.

He became the common counsellor and arbiter of right between man and man and many a litigation was spared through his good offices. The unlimited respect for his opinions is rarely shared by any one and the good

he accomplished thereby can only be reckoned when all things are known.

Later in life he has been a veritable walking encyclopaedia of unrecorded current history through his life, and it was a genuine pleasure to sit down with him and gather from his clear cut narrations the usages, the ideas, the biographies and the various vicissitudes in the days before most of us were born.

Mr. Allison connected himself with the Presbyterian church in early youth and has been a model of consistency for the whole period and a very pillar for much of the time. His home was known far and wide as the Presbyterian preachers' free hotel till later years when age and environments transferred this pleasing burden to other shoulders.

Mr. Allison enjoyed an unusual memory and a faultless hearing to the last but his vision became so defective that he could not enjoy his life-long fondness for reading, especially the sacred book. It was then his early culture and good memory told for his comfort for he feasted on the passages from memory and sang with the heart the hymns that he had learned in other days.

The mortal remains of Mr. Allison will be laid to rest Friday morning in the old Presbyterian cemetery, where his wife and the five deceased children await his coming.

Rev. Dr. Allison cannot attend the funeral, being enclosed in the yellow fever quarantine circle.

We refrain from efforts to properly eulogize our subject. It would mar the beauty of the noble character to picture it in our feeble words. We feel like saying with one of old who saw and admired what he could not fully grasp, "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!"

### Our Fond Hopes Go With Him.

Mr. Ben Craven, of this place, left Tuesday night to accept the principalship of a school at Roper, in Washington county. This will be Mr. Craven's first experience in teaching and he is to be congratulated on securing such a position in the beginning, and on receiving recommendations sufficient to take this place. Mr. Craven will have an assistant.

Mr. Craven's student life has been characterized by determination, perseverance and carefulness, and we feel sure his work as a teacher will be satisfactory to the people whom he serves.

The best wishes of the community follow him.

### A Mad Dog in Town.

There was quite an alarm early this (Wednesday) morning when a brown and white colored pointer came down Main street. This must have been a mad dog, and not a mere scare, as we are accustomed to having every week. The dog's mouth was sufficient to warn anyone that this was a rabid dog, and the people fled from his path as he came along. Several dogs in town were bitten, and it is hoped that every one will keep a close watch over their dogs. No person was bitten, fortunately.

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## PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mrs. Dr. Stevens went to China Grove to visit home folks last night

—Rev. J C Davis returned last night from Lexington.

—Misses Ethel and Jennie Patterson, of China Grove, spent yesterday evening here.

—Sergeant Jas. Watson returned to his home at Salisbury yesterday evening, after spending several days here.

—Squire W J Hill went up to Asheville this morning to spend a day or two. His son, Captain Hill, will join him at Morganton.

## A FRESH LOT OF

# Fancy Cakes

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### Pharr-Miller Nuptials.

This (Wednesday) evening at 5:30 o'clock, Miss Mattie Pharr, of near this place, will be married to Rev. Calvin Miller, of Rowan county, who is now pastor of a Lutheran church near Lexington. After the marriage the bride and groom will take the 7:09 train for Norfolk, Va., to spend a while.

Adjutant General A D Cowles has presented a beautiful gold watch to Gov. Russell. We are glad somebody takes pleasure in honoring the Governor.

### Notice to Tax Payers.

I will visit the places below for the purpose of collecting taxes on days stated during the month of October.

I will be in my office during the months of September and November, or you will find a deputy there for the purpose of collecting taxes.

Rocky River, township No. 1, Monday, October 17th, 1898.

Poplar Tent, township No. 2, Tuesday, October 18th, 1898.

Deweese, township No. 3, Wednesday, October 19th, 1898.

Cook's, township No. 4, Thursday, October 20th, 1898.

Mt. Gilead, township No. 5, Friday, October 21st, 1898.

J M Faggart, township No. 6, Saturday, October 22nd, 1898.

Reed Misenheimer's township No. 7, Monday, October 24th, 1898.

Mt. Pleasant, township No. 8, Tuesday, October 25th, 1898.

O F Smith's, township No. 9, Wednesday, October 26th, 1898.

Bethel, township No. 10, Thursday, October 27th, 1898.

Old Field, township No. 11, Friday, October 28th, 1898.

Concord, township No. 12, Saturday, October 29th, 1898.

Candidates for the different county offices will be present at places and dates named above.

Very Respectfully,  
M L BUCHANAN, Sheriff.  
Cabarrus County, N. C., Sept. 19, 1898.

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