

LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

—Mr. J. P. Allison went north this morning.

—Mrs. Platt, of No. 11, aged 92 years, is seriously ill.

—Miss Mary Reed is visiting Miss Lena Thompson in Salisbury.

—The Arsons of Charlotte will give a performance at Armory Hall to-night.

—Gen. R. Baringer offers a good farm for rent near Davidson. See his advertisement.

—Mr. J. W. Burkhead has a good second hand buggy he wishes to trade for lumber or wood.

—Mr. K. L. Craven has just erected some new platform scales just below the Presbyterian church.

—Judge Montgomery went to Charlotte this morning on the vestibule, on professional business.

—Rev. H. D. Lequien has tendered his resignation as pastor of Poplar Tent Presbyterian church.

—Col. Paul B. Means and bride are returning from Houston, Texas, the guests of Mr. James M. Means, the Colonel's father.

—Mr. George W. Taylor, formerly night watchman, has gone to South Carolina to engage again in the tombstone business.

—The Love Co., tell you in another column, that they are strictly in on clothing. They keep a splendid stock of almost everything.

—Rev. G. W. Painter, of Hong Kong, China, preached at Rocky River church Sunday and at Harrisburg in the afternoon.

—The next North Carolina Methodist conference will meet at Rocky River church on the 17th inst. The W. N. C. conference will be held at Reidsville.

—All the ladies of Central Methodist church are requested to meet at the parsonage at 2 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) afternoon. Very important.

—Geo. W. Patterson calls your attention to the fact that he is the selling agent for the Casson Lime Co.'s Lime and Cement. He will also have a big lot of Florida oranges for the Christmas trade.

—Cannon, Fetzer & Bell, our wide-awake furniture dealers, call your attention to their elegant line, suitable for Christmas presents. Read their list in another column, and remember them when you want to buy.

—Cannons & Fetzer have a big new ad. this week. They call your attention to their remarkably cheap stock of clothing, hats and shoes. It is a pity that it is a chance to show them to you. The goods and the prices will do the rest.

—Good times comes to those who expect and work for them. Do not go to fretting and fuming about the times, but write to S. I. Bell & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., (see their advertisement in another column), and they can give you suggestions for improving the time.

—Rev. T. A. Boone, pastor of the Methodist church of Lexington, preached in Central church last Sunday morning and night. His sermons were full of thought and were thought-provoking. Mr. Boone has many friends here who are always glad to see him.

—Rev. J. R. Moore and wife (he has no children) arrived last Friday and are occupying a room at Mr. John Loftin's in the present. That is, a parsonage will be built at an early day. Mr. Moore preached to his congregation on Sunday, and they were much pleased with him.

—Prof. Holmes, State Geologist, has just made a trip over Mecklenburg roads, getting points and facts for an article and photographic views for illustrations. He says there is no country in the State which can compare with Mecklenburg on roads and road building.

—Mr. J. M. Harris, a member of the firm of Morrison & Harris, of Harrisburg, will go to Fort Mill to live on January 1. He will continue in the merchandise business at Fort Mill. Mr. Harris is one of the best citizens and best Democrats of N. C. and we regret to see him leave this county and State.

—Paul Means, colored, son of Eph. Means, who died at Shelby recently. He is a barber and one-legged. He alienated the affections of the wife of a colored minister of the gospel. The divine caught up the offender's wooden leg, and beat him nearly to death with it.

—It is said that one of the bondsmen of one of the newly elected county officers in Wake was asked for his schedule. He replied that he had a piece of land worth \$600—and that he was able to qualify for \$1,000. He had added the value of his farm to the amount of his mortgage and thought he was worth \$1,200.

—At a special meeting of the board of aldermen recently, the petition of the Charlotte saloon keepers for a reduction of their city license tax was refused. The saloons will continue to pay an annual city tax of \$1,000 for each saloon. That the tax is not prohibitory is evident from the fact that there are 18 saloons in Charlotte that pay it, says the News.

—Dr. L. M. Klutz, a charming surgeon, formerly of Rowan county, but now of Clinton, Mo., delivered a lecture before the last session of the Missouri Veterinary Medical Association at St. Louis, entitled "Description of Veterinary Science." The address in published form in Dr. Klutz's home paper. It does him credit, and his friends in this section will be glad to read this.

—Last Tuesday night there was an accident on the Southern railroad just this side of Harrisburg. A south bound freight train became uncoupled, and the front end in trying to overtake the detached part ran into it. The result was that nine cars were derailed, and the brakeman was injured. The south-bound and north-bound passenger trains were delayed several hours.

—The commissioners of Mecklenburg have followed the example of like officers in several other towns, and decided that the ordinance against the shooting of guns and explosion of fire works will not be suspended. Christmas, the authorities of Concord have decided to suspend the ordinance at 9 o'clock on the night before Christmas. This will give ladies and others a chance to shop without being disturbed.

—Dr. J. B. Douglass, of Big Lick, is in town.

—Mr. Ed. Fisher is street drummer for D. P. Dayvatt.

—Mr. Geo. A. Hall, a prominent man of Rowan county, died yesterday.

—Miss Edith Hagan, of Greensboro, is visiting Miss Isabelle Montgomery.

—The Lutherans will give an entertainment in their church Christmas night.

—Messrs. S. H. Hearne and Jno. W. Bostian, of Albemarle, were here yesterday.

—Mr. T. F. Young, of Salisbury, assigned Saturday night. Liabilities \$5,000.

—Mr. Jno. R. Cruse, of No. 6, is assisting Mr. Chalmers Sims in the express business.

—Mr. P. G. Cook, of No. 5, killed four hogs one day last week that weighed 1,000 pounds apiece.

—Mr. Harvey Graeber, the butcher, has moved his family into his new house near Mr. P. B. Fetzer's.

—Our merchants are fixing for their Christmas trade. An ad. in THE TIMES will help you wonderfully. Try it.

—Lost—Monday night, December 3, a pig skin saddle, between R. V. Caldwell's and the Concord postoffice.

—Mrs. Kate Fink, of No. 5, fell from a wagon one day last week and broke her arm. "The wagon ran over her arm."

—Read the new ad. of A. J. & J. F. York. They have a beautiful line of novelties in gold and silver suitable for holiday presents.

—A pully at the Cannon factory fell yesterday, and came near hitting a young man. Work at the factory was suspended for some time.

—The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Concord National Bank will be held in the Bank on January 8.

—Mr. Eli Forrest has moved his stock of goods to the Caleb Melcher store room just opposite the Hornback store on depot street.

—Mr. D. J. Bostian has a new store room done to the racket, where the Claus will have headquarters. He has a splendid lot of everything for Xmas.

—Rev. B. F. Davis will begin a series of meetings next Tuesday evening at New Gleed, and will continue over Sunday. Two series will be held each day.

—J. N. Solomon, the fellow who eloped with Miss Ada DeLamar, of Salisbury, but who was overtaken here, has eloped again, this time with Miss Cora Howell, of Salisbury.

—Rev. A. R. Surratt and wife left Monday for their home at Mt. Holly, Gaston county. Both were popular here, and our people regret to lose them.

—Mr. D. P. Dayvatt, our enterprising wholesale and retail merchant, has a new ad in this issue. He advertises 500 suits at half price, and calls your attention to other goods at the lowest prices.

—Remember, our bills sent out this week were all made out up to January 1, 1894, one year in advance. You will have to pay in advance to get the benefit of the cash price. If you do not pay in advance, credit prices will be charged.

—One hears a good deal of talk these days about the Nicaragua canal. The father of the scheme, the one who first suggested a Nicaragua canal, lives in Charlotte, N. C. He is Mr. T. R. Magill, who now sells groceries for a living and who frequently contributes verses to the News under the title of Old Faneuil. It was in 1856 that Mr. Magill originated the canal idea. Up to that time the proposed canal had never been heard of. Mr. Magill was then living in South Carolina, and wrote an article for the Lancaster Ledger in which he outlined the canal scheme and advocated its building.

A Paper One Year Free to All Who Pay in Advance for THE TIMES.

THE TIMES is pleased to announce that it will give either the American Farmer or Womankind one year free to every subscriber who requests it who pays a year in advance. The price of each of these papers is 50 cents a year, so you get two papers by paying only the regular price of one.

The American Farmer is edited by a practical farmer who understands what the farmers want. Every department of farm work is represented in its columns. It is a large page paper.

Womankind is the same size and is a paper for woman and the home. It is full of good stories, poems, etc. The ladies are delighted with it.

Remember we send you either of the above papers one whole year free if you pay a year in advance to THE TIMES!

Important to Our Subscribers.

We send out this week statements to all our readers who are in arrears for one year or more. It has been considerable trouble to us to make out these statements, and they are sent with the expectation that they will bring some return. We have been very lenient with our subscribers, but the time has come when we must have some money.

We have to pay our bills for hire, paper, ink, and a hundred other things promptly, and now our subscribers expect us to do this unless the pay us. Some of them evidently think we can put off paying our bills for three or four years, judging from the way they pay us. Come, gentlemen, we must have the money now. We have earned it, and it is ours.

Death at Albemarle.

Mr. Robert J. Klutz, a young merchant of Albemarle, well known in Concord, died last Sunday morning at 3 o'clock after a ten days illness with inflammation of the bowels. He would have been 29 years old on the day he was buried if he had lived. He was married two years ago, and his wife and one child survive him. He had his life insured for \$2,000.

Mr. Klutz was a member of the firm of R. B. Klutz & Son, of Albemarle, and this firm made an assignment on Tuesday last week. He was the son of Mr. Ransom B. Klutz, and a nephew of Mr. Felix A. Klutz, of No. 9 township, this county.

Why Is It?

Mr. Editor—Why is it that Concord, a town with 5,000 inhabitants, has not a single decent street crossing in it? You can start at Odell's factory and go to the Fair grounds without being able to go on the opposite side of the street unless you wade several inches in black mud. We think the ladies of our town are at least entitled to one respectable crossing somewhere in Concord.

A CITIZEN.

Swedish Concert Company.

This celebrated company will appear in Concord at Armory Hall on Saturday night, December 22.

The Swedish Quartet is without question the most artistic combination of male voices in America. During the past season, they gave over two hundred concerts, and throughout the tour, won the approval of the most critical audiences and representative courses in the country, maintained that high standard of excellence which has made their concerts eminently successful, and today the Quartet is doing the finest work of its career, and is firmly established in popular favor. Eminent musicians and critics of the press, from Halifax to San Francisco, agree that the ensemble singing of the Quartet is excellent, while the harmonious blending of voices and sweetness of tone cannot be surpassed by any similar organization.

The program for this season has been especially selected and arranged, and will be one of the best ever presented by the Quartet.

In selecting the assisting artists, they have secured one of the most accomplished in her profession, and take pride in presenting Miss Grace Mae Lamkin, Reciter, to their patrons; while Miss Vida Skoog, the popular Accompanist, will again appear with the organization.

Seats on sale at Fetzer's Drug Store. Reserved seats 75 cents; admission 50 cents.

Marriage of Dr. J. E. Smoot.

Dr. J. E. Smoot, of Concord, was married in Salisbury yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock to Miss Minnie Watson, daughter of Mr. W. G. Watson, Clerk of Rowan county. Owing to the serious illness of the groom's brother the affair was a very quiet one, and only the relatives and immediate friends of the family were invited. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Rumpel. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents, among which were two bed room suits and a parlor suit.

The bride and groom arrived in Concord on the 11-15 train and are receiving the congratulations of many warm friends.

They will soon go to house-keeping in the house recently occupied by Mrs. Moss.

Methodist Appointments.

The following of some of the appointments of the North Carolina Conference just adjourned at Durham, in which many of our readers will be interested:

Raleigh, Edenton—J. W. Cole, Raleigh, Central—D. H. Tuttle, Editor N. C. Advocate—W. L. Griswold.

Siler City circuit—E. C. Sell, Aberdeen circuit—J. H. Page, Maxton circuit—C. W. Smith, Newbern, Hancock Street—A. D. Betts.

Snow Hill circuit—D. L. Earnhardt, Beaufort—R. F. Bumpass, Washington District—G. A. Oglesby, P. Jamesville circuit—R. T. Wyche, Battleboro—G. W. Fisher, Rockingham district—J. T. Gibbs, P. E.

Dr. Pool Goes to Smithfield.

Rev. Solomon Pool, D. D., who has been pastor of Central Methodist church here for the two years past, but who was last week transferred to the eastern conference, was last Monday assigned by Bishop Wilson to Smithfield, Johnston county, for the coming year. Dr. Pool was pastor at that place for three years just previous to going to Charlotte six years ago, and it is like going back home. He has three churches, at Smithfield, Selma and Princeton, all on the railroad, and within four miles of each other. It is a pleasant change.

Dr. Pool will leave with his family tomorrow or Saturday, and expects to occupy his pulpit at Smithfield next Sunday.

Clubbing Rates.

THE TIMES has some wonderful clubbing offers to make this year. Read:

THE TIMES and Washington Post, \$1.50.

THE TIMES and Home and Farm, \$1.50.

THE TIMES and Illustrated Home Guest and 20 Complete Novellets, all post paid for only \$1.25.

THE TIMES, American Farmer, Womankind and the White Ribbon Cook Book, \$1.50.

A Social Event of Interest.

The marriage of Miss Ollie Odell, the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. J. M. Odell, will be solemnized on December 26, to Mr. Stonewall Jackson Durham, a rising young lawyer of Dallas, N. C. The marriage will take place at the elegant residence of the bride's father. Many friends of both parties all over the State extend hearty congratulations in advance.

Wedding Gives Bond.

The county commissioners met this morning to pass finally upon the bond of Mr. W. M. Weddington, Register of Deeds. The bond, in the amount of \$5,000, was deemed sufficient, and Mr. Weddington was duly installed in office.

Rev. Mr. Parker to Arrive Saturday.

Rev. R. H. Parker, the new pastor of Central Methodist church, will arrive Saturday morning at 11-15 o'clock, and will occupy his pulpit on Sunday. His family will arrive next week.

Fearful Loss of Life.

WASHINGTON, N. C., Dec. 10.—About 7:30 o'clock this morning a boiler in E. Murray Short's saw mill exploded with fearful loss of life and property. Mr. Short was killed. Four colored men were also killed and two injured. The loss is \$8,000, with no boiler insurance. Mr. Short's life was insured for \$25,000. He had been out twice and this was the second boiler explosion. He worked 150 hands. The plant was worth about \$40,000. The mills and shops of the town have shut down out of respect to Mr. Short's memory. Houses were shaken, windows shattered and plaster broken.

Dr. Talmage in Washington.

Washington Correspondence News and Observer. Dr. Talmage preached here Sunday to seen thousand people. On neither occasion could more than half the people, who thronged to hear him, get in the building. At night he preached on the words of David when the news of son's death was brought to the King: "I shall go to him." It was a truly great sermon on "Recognition in Heaven." It would be a great thing for this city if Talmage could be induced to come here, and have a big tabernacle. Everybody who travels comes to Washington and here all the world would hear him even more than that in Brooklyn.

Forest Hill News.

Rev. Joe Dunn and family have moved here from New London.

Mrs. Lum Stamper has been quite ill with pneumonia, but she is improving some now.

We were pleased to have Rev. M. A. Smith returned for another year. He is a faithful minister, an ardent worker and a good Christian gentleman.

Mr. Dave Weddington went to Charlotte Saturday night.

Mr. Irving Hunneycutt, of Cottonville, was here the first of the week.

Dexter Caudle, Esq., has been sick some time with chills and fever.

Miss Louisa Coyer, of Laurinburg, is here staying with her brother, George Coyer.

Mr. Billy Ross was here Saturday and Sunday visiting his parents.

Rev. John Bradley preached here Sunday.

Mr. J. D. Carpenter, of this place is teaching school near Harrisburg.

Mr. H. A. Lowder, of Stanley, was here one day last week.

A good many families have moved here from the country recently.

Mr. Wm. Matheson took trip to Montgomery the first of the week where he will remain a week or two.

Mr. J. M. Allen is convalescent from an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Joe Anne Hunneycutt, of Cottonville, was here Sunday and Monday.

Seats on sale at Fetzer's Drug Store. Reserved seats 75 cents; admission 50 cents.

Notes From the Organ.

Miss Ella Holshouser is teaching school the Klutz school house, and is meeting with decided success.

The Lower Store, Organ, and Elm Grove Sunday Schools are making preparations for Christmas celebrations.

There was an old-fashioned quilting party at the parsonage on Wednesday, December 5th. Twenty ladies were present and they completed two quilts.

Mr. and Mrs. Esq. J. H. Ritchie, and family spent a two days visit with Mrs. Ritchie's father, Rev. Geo. H. Cox.

Mr. Uriah Miller and Rev. Paul Baringer have secured a patent upon an invention of their's to fasten a horse without using a post or tree, etc. It is quite simple and fully effective. The horse cannot move forward, backward nor to either side.

Mr. Urinary Beaver has moved from near China Grove to the Al. Post place near Organ church.

Mr. Geo. Moore has moved to the Strickler farm. Mr. James Hipp has moved to the Alex. Corb, place and Mr. Albert Heilig has moved into Dr. Burleyson's house near Lower Stone church, and it is not a very good time to move, either.

Rev. J. D. Shealy, pastor of the St. Andrews pastorate, and Mr. Alfred Klutz, both of Concord, made a flying trip to Rowan one day last week.

Tilman Succeeds Butler.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 11.—Ex-Gov. Ben R. Tilman was today elected United States Senator to succeed M. C. Butler. The vote stood in the Senate, Tilman 29, Butler 15. In the House, Tilman 102, Butler 15, Murray (colored) 2, to J. Crum (colored) 1.

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