

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT CONCORD

The following change of schedule took effect after November 1, 1903.

Table with columns for Train, Arrives at, and Departures for Southbound and Northbound routes.

LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

The Baptist State Convention met in Charlotte Wednesday night.

Read H. L. Parks & Co's new advertisement on the opposite page.

Miss Margaret Wallace, of Snaron township, Mecklenburg county, died last Wednesday, aged 72 years.

If you receive a copy of this paper, and are not now a subscriber, please consider it a personal invitation to become one.

Cannon & Fetzer Co., have some most interesting talk in their ad. on this page. You should read it before making any clothing purchases.

In our next issue we will publish the annual statement of the income and disbursements of this county for the fiscal year ending November 30.

The Golden Links of Central Methodist church gave a reception at the home of Mrs. W. C. Houston last night from 8 to 10 o'clock.

Mr. L. J. Carlee, who two weeks ago moved his family to Cornelius, moved back to Concord Wednesday. There is no place like Concord, he says.

Mr. Will Harry, who rents the Morehead farm in No. 1, brought 13 bales of cotton to town yesterday, for which he received 12 cents a pound.

A hay stack on Mr. J. P. Allison's farm in No. 3 in some way was caught fire last Monday and was consumed. It is not known how the fire originated.

The White-Morrison-Flowe Co., have just received a beautiful line of pocket books, chatelaine bags, etc. They are exquisite and suitable for holiday presents.

Gastonia Gazette: "Mr. T. C. Wilson who left here last February will return to Gastonia to resume his former position as Superintendent of the Trenton Mill."

Tell your neighbor, if you have one who is not now taking THE TIMES, that he can get the paper from now until January 1, 1905, for only \$1.00, cash in advance.

Dr. W. H. Wakefield will be in Concord, at St. Cloud, on Thursday, December 24th, for the purpose of treating disease of eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting glasses.

Get in your orders for engraved visiting cards at once if you wish them for Christmas giving. It takes about a week or ten days to get them here. Call at THE TIMES office.

Mr. Theodore Martin, son of Mr. Mangum Martin, of the Cabarrus Mill, died last Tuesday, of consumption. He was 25 years of age, and lived in Charlotte until about six weeks ago. The body was interred Wednesday in the city cemetery.

Invitations have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Nora Sparks, of Albemarle, to Mr. Kemp Alexander, of Kernersville, to take place on the evening of December 16 at five o'clock at the home of Mrs. G. P. Watkins, an aunt of the bride-to-be.

Mr. A. E. Streeter, who has been here for several months in connection with the construction of the water works system, left Wednesday night for his home in Chattanooga. Mr. F. A. Butler, superintendent of the work, will leave in a few days for his home at Nashville, Tenn.

Monday's Salisbury Sun: Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of the bride on East Monroe street Mr. Richard Blackwelder, of Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. Amanda Barringer, of Salisbury, were married; Rev. J. H. Wilson officiating. The contracting parties left in the afternoon for Mt. Pleasant, where they will make their home.

The Concord young ladies attending Randolph-Macon Woman's College at Lynchburg are expected home Tuesday night, December 22. They will return on Monday, January 4. The following are attending there: Misses Shirley Montgomery, Jennie Coltrane, Myrtle Dayvault and Mary Lilly Sherrill.

Officer Statton, of Gleanjean, W. Va., arrived here Tuesday night, having come here after Pless and Will Coffins, who are charged with having held up and robbed some negro boys in West Virginia of several hundred dollars. On receipt of a telegram Tuesday the Collins boys were arrested by Chief Boger and held. Officer Statton has taken the prisoners back to West Virginia for trial.

The Racket Store has a new ad. this issue.

Craven Bros. have a new ad telling you about Christmas presents in their line.

Mr. Walter Pharr, son of Mr. I. N. Pharr, and Miss Mary Untz, daughter of Mr. George Untz, all of No. 3 township, were happily married last Wednesday. The ceremony was performed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon by Rev. J. M. McClain. Quite a number of friends were present at the marriage, after which a dinner was served.

Comparative Cotton Receipts.

Mr. W. A. Caldwell has prepared and asked us to publish the following comparative statement of the receipts of cotton here last year and this:

The following is an itemized statement of the receipts of Concord compared with the same statement for last year, covering all cotton received from September 1, to the night of December 7, inclusive:

Table comparing cotton receipts for 1902 and 1903, listing various sources and their respective amounts.

From which it will be seen that this market is 264 bales short. Total receipt for last year was 9,800 bales. Last season the cotton was ginned wet and carried a good deal of dampness in the bale. This year the cotton is on the market in fine condition, the average weight being over 500 pounds per bale—a considerable excess over the average weight of last year.

Dr. Tracy's Meetings.

The temperance meetings conducted by Dr. N. W. Tracy, the noted temperance lecturer, continue. The opera house is crowded each night to its full capacity. The lectures are not only highly entertaining, but thoroughly instructive, and can but result in great good. There will be no meeting to-night, as the opera house will be used for the play of Romeo and Juliet, Saturday night Dr. Tracy's subject will be The Twentieth Century Girl. On Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock he will lecture to men only. Sunday night his subject will be Ben Hur.

On next Tuesday night Mr. R. S. Tracy will give an auto-harp recital, in which he will be assisted by our best local talent. Dr. Tracy will leave Monday for Roanoke, Va., where he begins a meeting Tuesday.

Jarrett-Leslie.

Invitations have been issued announcing the coming marriage of Mr. Augustus Henry Jarrett to Miss Frances Dunreath Leslie, which event will take place at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. E. C. Leslie, on West Depot street, on Tuesday evening, December 22, at 7 o'clock. Mr. Jarrett is superintendent of the Albemarle graded schools, and is a nephew of Mrs. Jas. C. Gibson. He is well known in Concord, where he went to school for some time. Miss Leslie has been for some years a most valued assistant in the office of the Cannon Manufacturing Co., and is one of the city's most attractive and excellent young ladies.

Romeo and Juliet.

This popular play will be presented in the new opera house to-night. The prices will be 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.00. Children, 25 cents. The Daily Repository, of Chambersburg, Pa., says of the company that is to present the play here: "The Simville Company, which favored so well last season, won equal favor last night in a meritorious presentation of Shakespeare's great love tragedy, Romeo and Juliet. The cast was good throughout, the scenery excellent and the effects adequate. The large audience was much pleased."

Christmas Bales.

For the Christmas holidays the Southern Railway announces a rate of one and one-third one way fares, plus 25 cents for the round trip, between all points South of the Potomac and Ohio rivers. Tickets on sale December 23rd, 24th, 25th, also 30th, 31st, and January 4th, 1904, with final limit January 4th, 1904.

For the accommodation of students and teachers of schools and colleges the Southern has arranged round trip rates as above, December 16th to 22nd, with final limit January 8th, 1904.

Your Christmas Shopping.

Concord merchants have usually full stocks this season, and are prepared for the Christmas shoppers. The advertising columns of THE TIMES indicate the houses in this city which can furnish everything to suit the needs of the most fastidious. Concord stores are equal to those anywhere, and there is no need to go anywhere else. Every thing presages a heavy holiday trade, and here's hoping our merchants will have the best they have ever had.

The Times Till January 1, 1905, for One Dollar.

For \$1.00, cash in advance, we will send THE TIMES from now until January 1, 1905. If you subscribe at once you will get 109 issues of the paper for only \$1.00, less than one cent a copy. This offer is open only to cash in advance subscribers.

PERSONAL.

Mr. J. L. Watson, of Salisbury, was here Wednesday.

Mr. J. B. Sherrill and little daughter are visiting in Charlotte.

Mr. Fred McConnell has a position with the Cannon & Fetzer Co.

Messrs. J. L. Lindlow and Wm. M. Piatt, of Winston, are here.

The family of Dr. S. W. Williams arrived from Charlotte last night.

Mrs. John Correll and child and Miss Lucy Barrier are visiting in Richmond.

Mr. Bruce Templeton, who was visiting at Mrs. J. Reed's, returned home Monday.

Miss Lizzie Steele, of Statesville, who was visiting Miss Grace Brown, returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. B. E. Harris and children left Tuesday morning for Scranton, Pa., to visit Mrs. Harris' parents until after the holidays.

Mr. Lloyd Allison, son of Mr. C. T. Allison, of No. 3, who has been in Texas for two years, returned to Cabarrus last Tuesday.

Mr. H. H. McKay, who has been with the Concord Drug Co., for some time, has resigned from that position and will leave on the 20th for his home at Dunn. He will go on the road the first of January.

The following Cabarrus manufacturers attended the meeting held in Charlotte Tuesday to effect curtailment: W. R. and F. C. Odell, F. L. Emery, R. E. Gibson, E. C. Barnhardt, D. B. Coltrane and Rev. Paul Barringer.

County Commissioners' Meeting.

The county commissioners were in session last Monday and Tuesday. It was ordered that the plans of the Cotton States Bridge Co., of Atlanta, be accepted for the bridge over Buffalo creek at the depot. This bridge will be about eight feet higher than the old one. The road on each side has been raised to this height. The contract was awarded to the King Bridge Co., at \$1,000, one half of which is to be paid on completion, and the other half in twelve months. The bridge is to be completed by June 8, 1904.

A special school tax election was ordered to be held in district No. 4, No. 11 township, on January 12, 1904. A new registration was ordered.

G. T. Crowell and L. T. Hartsell were appointed committee to let contract for sewer in court house.

G. T. Crowell and C. O. Gillon were appointed to visit and make inventory of property of County Home.

The usual pauper supplies were allowed. Among others the following bills were ordered paid:

J. F. Smith, \$95.27, building bridge across Rocky River, and \$16.95, repairing bridge in No. 3 township.

D. V. Kriminger, \$6.00, repairing bridge in No. 11.

Jno. A. Watts, \$42.08, services and hire of hands in No. 6.

F. P. Boger, \$117.50, services and hire of hands in No. 10.

G. A. Culp, \$22.60, same in No. 7.

D. A. McEachern, \$77.95, same in No. 8.

A. B. Young, \$36.00, for 9 stacks of hay.

Sample Copy.

If you receive a sample copy of this paper, please consider it a personal invitation to become a subscriber. Our paper is before you to speak for itself. We make a specialty in county news, and every citizen in this county should take this paper. Remember, you can get this paper and The American Farmer both one year by paying in advance.

Engraved Cards, Wedding Invitations, Monogram Paper, Etc.

We have just received samples of the latest thing in engraved visiting cards, wedding invitations, monogram paper, etc., at the very lowest prices for which first-class work can be obtained. We shall be pleased to send samples to any one on receipt of request to do so by telephone or otherwise. All matters of this sort are strictly confidential.

Letter to Wm. Groesh of Concord.

DEAR SIR: You'd strike it rich if you could find a way to shave your customers in less time, for less cost, and make the shave last twice or three times as long. You wouldn't shave the same person so many times, or get so much of his money; but the whole town would be talking about you, and everybody would come to you for a shave. Devco lead-and-zinc is exactly that in paints. It takes fewer gallons, and it wears longer. Costs less for the job, and you don't have to do it again for years and years—six years at least. "Fewer gallons; wears longer." Take few gallons to paint a house with Devco lead-and-zinc than with mixed paints; and it wears longer than mixed paints; or lead-and-oil. Yours truly, F. W. DEVCO & CO., New York.

From the Albemarle Enterprise.

Mrs. Lizzie Little has moved to China Grove with her children where she will keep house for her brother, Mr. T. L. Ross. If our clever jailer depended upon jail fees for his support, he would soon have to be assigned to the county home. Stately court will convene next week. Judge W. B. Allen presiding. It will evidently be like its late predecessor, a small affair.

Neighborhood News.

RIKER.

The school is progressing nicely, with Mr. A. H. Penninger as teacher.

Christmas will soon be here, and some of our people are preparing for it.

Miss Ophia Barrier came home Saturday evening and returned to Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

The people of Prosperity Sunday School have decided to have a entertainment of some kind about Christmas. They are making some preparations, such as singing and speaking.

Miss Mattie Goodman spent last Sunday night with Miss Mary Barrier.

Mr. D. J. Rimer moved last week to Rowan on Mr. Bill Sides' farm.

There was singing at Prosperity Sunday evening.

There was quite a large crowd in Rimer Sunday evening. Among them were Mr. Ralph Cox and Miss Anna Ritz, of Concord.

Mr. Turner Walker spent a few hours with Mr. Eugene Barrier Sunday evening.

Some of our young people are expecting to go to the Cruise school-house Thursday night to a spelling match.

Come on, my friend from Cross Roads, don't go to sleep.

Little Miss Myrtle Barrier is on the sick list for a few days with chills.

FIDDLERS.

NO. 7 TOWNSHIP.

Communion services were held at Mt. Olive last Sunday, a large congregation being present.

There will be a missionary sale at Mt. Olive on Saturday, before the third Sunday in December, beginning at 10 o'clock.

The Christmas tree will be at St. Stephens Thursday, December 24, the exercises beginning at 1:30 p. m.

The Christmas tree at Mt. Olive will be on Christmas day. The exercises will begin at 10 o'clock.

Miss Nora Klutz, of Mt. Pleasant Seminary, spent last Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

NO. 10 TOWNSHIP.

The weather is on the rough order—snow and rain.

Esq. Sam Black shot a hawk Monday morning that measured 4 feet and 4 inches from tip to tip.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Galispie, of Millbridge, are visiting in No. 10.

The bird law is in effect, now but the birds are making themselves scarce.

There will be an entertainment at Bethel Academy Thursday night before Christmas for the benefit of the Ladies Aid Society. A good program is to be carried out and much pleasure is anticipated. Everybody is invited, admission 10 cents, children under 12 years, free.

Cotton is the chief issue, men discuss it on every occasion, at home and church.

Mr. Julius Hartsell, who has been sick for some time, is not much better.

Mr. William Freeman is building an addition to his house.

MT. PLEASANT.

Rev. J. A. Linn and family are spending a week with relatives in Rowan, after which they go to Greenville, Tenn., where Rev. Linn has accepted the pastorate of the Lutheran church. Their many friends regret to see them depart, but wish them well in their new home.

The first term at the Collegiate Institute closed Wednesday. It has been a very successful one, the attendance, work and deportment of the young men have been very satisfactory and encouraging to the principals.

The heater for the Lutheran church has arrived and is now being placed in position.

Mr. Sam Johnson, who has been in school here, has accepted a position at the Leland hotel in Concord. He will enter upon his work at once.

Messrs. Jas. and John McEachern, of Concord, were called to the bedside of their mother, Mrs. D. H. McEachern, a few days ago. Mrs. McEachern is seriously ill.

Save All the Cotton this Year

Marshville Home. "It will be well to save all the yellow cotton from the patch this year," remarked a citizen the other day. "Yes," said a farmer, "it will pay to save it all even if you have to crack the bolts like scaly barks and pick the cotton. Better invite the boys and girls in and have a sociable and cotton-picking in the house." A combination like that might be captivating enough to successfully mix a little profitable work with pleasure. We are confident such a scheme would work out all right provided a few scaly barks were mixed along with the cotton to be cracked.—Marshville Home.

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Potash advertisement featuring an image of a man with a pitchfork and text describing the benefits of potash for agriculture.

Tax Notice.

The last acts of the Legislature, passed on 27th page 28, says taxes are due first Monday in September. Now we all know that time is long past, and your tax is not paid yet. It is your duty to come and pay your tax. The State is wanting and demanding the tax, and the school tax must be paid by the first of January, and I can't pay the taxes till the people pay me. I earnestly ask all to come at once and get your receipts. I am bound to collect this tax, and if I have to go behind the law, I will certainly add in all the cost. Now, I close with the old adage, "a word to the wise is sufficient." JAS. F. HARRIS, Sheriff.

December, 1903, advertisement for Cannon & Fetzer Company, featuring a decorative border and text about Christmas presents.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS advertisement for Cannon & Fetzer Company, listing various goods and prices.

THE RACKET advertisement for Concord's Cheap Store, listing various goods and prices.

D. J. BOSTIAN advertisement, listing various goods and prices.

Craven Brothers advertisement for furniture and undertaking, featuring an image of a woman and text about holiday suggestions.

Just Received advertisement for White-Morrison-Flowe Co., listing various goods and prices.