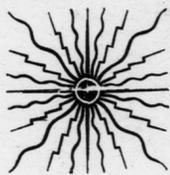


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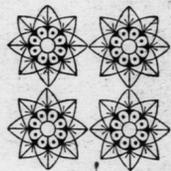
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One of the most delightful social affairs given during the holidays was a New Year's party given by Lillian Field at her home on Church street.

The hall and parlor were decorated with holly and mistletoe. The soft lights made the scene a very pretty one. Refreshments were served in the dining room. Over the table in the center of the room was hung a large bell from which resolutions were drawn as souvenirs.

The amusements of the evening were a guessing contest and progressive games. The prize for the former was won by Miss Elizabeth Ebletoft, of Shelby, and Mr. Weston Clinard. In the latter Donald Boyden was the successful one and was awarded a box of stationery.

The invited guests were as follows: Misses Sallie Martin, Hazel Elliott, Louise Allen, Elizabeth Ebletoft, Ruth Abernethy, Grace Abernethy, Mary Shuford, Margaret Bost, Margaret McComb, Brent Ramseur, Pinkie Forney, Mattie Abernethy, Aurelia Merzmann, Annie Laurie Abernethy, Katherine Gwaltney, Annie Link, Lucy Morgan, Messrs. Hazel Aiken, Durward Abernethy, Glenn Henkle, Donald Boyden, Harry Little, Joe Murphy, John Murphy, Emmett Moore, George Abernethy, Wilson Warwick, James Shuford, Murphy Rockett, Mid Ramseur, Frank Henderson, Charlie Cashwell, George Blackwelder, William Menzies, Weston Clinard, Ted Sides, Albert Abernethy, Carroll Bost.

Stock-holders Meeting.

The annual stock-holders meeting of the First National Bank, of Hickory, N. C., will be held at their office Tuesday, Jan. 8th, 1907, at 9 a. m. sharp.

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Seed Choice, Heavy, Recleaned Oats Stocks.

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Most hearty New Year's greetings,
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We may have frequent meetings,
Then here's to luck and pluck
and wealth,
A happy life and blessed health!

Clinard and Lyerly.

TIMBER LAND WANTED.

If you have timber lands for sale, write us. We have a number of customers for large and small tracts of good pine and hard wood timber. Give price and full particulars as to kind, quantity, distance from railroad, etc. **VENABLE & FORD,** Lynchburg, Va.

BOONE ITEMS.

On last Thursday a very interesting educational rally was held at Mast and on Wednesday the new school there was opened by Miss Mary Brown.

Central University, of Indianapolis, Ind., has conferred the degree of Ph. D. on Rey. J. H. Brendall, the Methodist minister of this town.

On Christmas the Virginia and South-West Railroad Co., ran a special Santa Claus train and in the car was a stocking containing a present of one month's wages for each foreman and operator on the road.

The Appalachian Training School opened January first and at present the outlook is the best it has ever been. There are about one hundred boarding students and eight counties are represented.

County Commissioners.

The Board met in regular monthly session yesterday. All members of the Board were present.

Mr. W. H. Marlow was elected standard keeper for two years.

Chairman was ordered to investigate the condition of the public roads in Bandys.

Ordered that jail be allowed for each prisoner per day 33 cents, including fuel.

Ordered that election be held in Clinns Township, District No. 11, Feb. 23rd.

The petition of P. G. Herman and others, for opening a road was deferred until next meeting.

Ordered that county officers be allowed to use vacant room of the court house for storing fuel. —Catawba News.

An Editor's Appeal.

My friend, help the editor in his wild-eyed search for news. When your friends come to see you, if you are not ashamed of it, tell him; when your wife gives a tea party if you have recovered from the effects of the gossip, drop in with the news, when a baby arrives fill your pockets with cigars and call; if you go to a party steal some of the good things, and leave 'em with the item in our sanctum. If your wife licks you come in and let us see your scars and tender sympathy through the paper; if your mother-in-law has died don't be bashful about it; give in all the common place news. In short whatever makes you feel proud, sad, lonesome or glad submit it to our 24 karat wisdom and see our matted locks part and stand on end with gratitude which will pour from every pore moisture from the dew besprinkled earth.

J. Lee Latta left Monday for a trip to Kansas.

Mr. Molder, of Richmond, was the guest of The Morrisoe Bros. during the holidays.

Mrs. George Coulter, of Newton, spent a few days with Mrs. M. C. Self this week.

Owing to the increase of our subscription list it is necessary for us to have a wagon to haul our papers to the post office.

Mr. A. F. Heart is putting in a rock crusher for the C. & N. W. Ry. at Wilson's creek. They expect to do a lot of concrete work along the line.

A very pleasant reception was given New Year's evening by Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Munroe, complimentary to their son, Dr. H. Stokes, of Columbus, Ga. About eighty guests were present and made the event a very enjoyable occasion.

The solo work of Mr. John Prindle Scott, director of the De Koven Male Quartette, has received the highest expressions of appreciation everywhere heard. His voice, a rich baritone, "at times as soft and sweet as a woman's, can swell to incredible power, and yet retain its purity of tone and freedom from false inflections.

A Lucky Postmistress.

Is Mrs. Alexander, of Cary, Me., who has found Dr. King's New Life Pills to be the best remedy she ever tried for keeping the Stomach, Liver and Bowels Bowels in perfect order. You agree with her if you try these painless purifiers that infuse new life. Guaranteed by C. M. Shuford and E. B. Menzies' Druggist. Price 25c

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is no worse than the terrible case of Piles that afflicted me 10 years. Then I was advised to apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and less than a box permanently cured me, writes L. S. Napier, of Rugles, Dy. Heals all wounds, Burns and Sores like magic. 25c at C. M. Shuford and E. B. Menzies' druggist.

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Gentlemen:
We want to donate some L. & M. Paint to your church whenever they paint.

The largest Methodist church in Georgia expected to use 100 gallons of the usual kind of paint, they only used 32 gallons L. & M. mixed with 24 gallons Linseed Oil.

It costs less to paint a house with L. & M. than with other paint, because painter mixes Linseed Oil fresh from the barrel at 60 cents a gallon with L. & M., and doesn't pay \$1.50 per gallon for Linseed Oil as done if ready for use paint is used. Also because the L. & M. Zinc hardens the L. & M. White Lead and makes the paint wear like iron.

Actual cost L. & M. about \$1.20 per gallon.
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LEGAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina at its next session, for a supplemental amendment to the charter of the Hickory Railway & Power Company so as to include lines of said railway running from Hickory to Brookford, and from Hickory to Penelope, and from Hickory to Lincolnton, and from Hickory to Shelby, and from Hickory to Catawba river, and from Catawba river to Taylorsville, and from Taylorsville to Wilkesboro, and thence over the turnpike to Jefferson; on the top of the Blue Ridge, along the southwest corner of Flat Top, and from Jefferson to Boone, and from Boone to Blowing Rock, and for other purposes.
Hickory, N. C., Dec. 28, 1903.

M. E. THORNTON,
President.

Human Blood Marks

A tale of horror was told by marks of human blood in the home of J. W. Williams, a well known merchant of Bac, Ky. He writes: "Twenty years ago I had severe hemorrhages of the lungs, and was near death when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It completely cured me and I have remained well ever since." It cures Hemorrhages, Chronic Coughs, Settled Colds and Bronchitis, and is the only known cure for Weak Lungs. Every bottle guaranteed by C. M. Shuford and E. B. Menzies' Druggist. 50 and \$1. Trial bottle free.

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