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OLD NORTH STATE NEWS AND GOSSIP

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Monday afternoon two children of William M. ... living on New street, Fayetteville, left alone in the house, were fatally burned. One died in a few moments. It is supposed their clothing caught from the open fire-place.

Gaston News: The Lenoir cotton mill, of which Captain J. D. Moore, of our town, is manager and J. O. White superintendent, will have a meeting of the stockholders this week to consider the subject of doubling their plants to a 6,700 spindle plant. The mill has been a success from the start and the stockholders are well pleased.

High Point, N. C., Dec. 11.—A wreck occurred today of the local mail train on the Randleman, Asheboro and Southern railroad, near Glenola. A broken rod on the engine was the cause of the wreck. Both sides of the engine were damaged. Fireman Benjamin Ridge had his arm broken. Other members of the crew escaped unhurt.

Fayetteville, Dec. 9.—A few days ago the municipal authorities ordered the compulsory vaccination of all children attending the public schools, and great was the stir thereat. Those who had not been vaccinated became rebellious, while those who had been vaccinated took fright and remained at home. Only 302 pupils answered to roll-call yesterday morning at the Hay street graded school and at East Fayetteville school only 17 were present. Last evening the board of aldermen succumbed to the pressure, and rescinded the ordinance.

Elizabeth City special to Charlotte Observer: This morning at 1 o'clock fire destroyed the large casing factory of J. S. Torrey's, Bebble's oyster house, Galtor's fish house and several other small buildings; loss, \$15,000. The fire originated in Galtor's fish house caused by William Bailey overhauling an oil stove, which exploded. Bailey, it is said, was intoxicated and could not make his escape and was burned to death. His body was almost unrecognizable. The steamers Shiloh and Schron on the railway for repairs, narrowly escaped destruction. The fire broke out fresh this morning about 10 o'clock and was extinguished by the fire department. This is the second time the oyster factory has been burned within two years and grave doubts are expressed as to the probability of reconstruction. The fire started almost identically in the same spot as the mammoth fire two years ago, when \$150,000 worth of property was destroyed.

Albemarle Special to The Charlotte Observer: Some time ago a young woman operative in one of the cotton mills here got up a correspondence with a young Nebraska farmer through the medium of a matrimonial paper published in Chicago. Photographs were exchanged and their letters assumed such an affectionate nature that they decided that they would unite their hearts and hands. Accordingly the man in the case made an appointment with his lady love, whom he had never seen. He arrived here last Friday but the marriage that was scheduled to take place did not occur. The man on arriving here saw so many girls that he changed his mind. And as yet no marriage has taken place. The would-be-brother is stopping at the boarding house of the would-be-bride and they have had several confidential talks, but it is given out as official that no marriage will occur. The man is of good appearance and claims to own a farm about 300 miles from Lincoln, Neb. He is still here and as his ticket holds good until Christmas he says he expects to stay here until that time, viewing the country. He never saw a cotton stalk or pine tree until he came to North Carolina.

INSTITUTE ITEMS.

Dec. 11, 1902. Turkeys are selling this week at 8 cts. apiece.

Look out for the marriage bells they will be ringing.

We learn that Mr. E. O. Allen has sold his place here to Mr. A. T. Brown, and purchased a place near Henderson, where he expects to move soon. We are sorry to lose such good neighbors and our best wishes go with them.

Dr. J. E. Parich has sold his place to Messrs. Hugh Bryan, H. L. Felt and W. F. Hardy.

Miss J. W. Brothers is visiting her son, Mr. W. J. Brothers, at Fort Barnwell.

Mr. J. E. ... has been to see the beauty and ...

There will be ...

Miss Ida J. ...

Mr. G. B. ...

PRESIDENT CASTRO MASSING FORCES

BRITISH AND GERMAN CONSULS SEIZED

England Hopes for Intervention by the United States.

La Guaira, Venezuela, Dec. 11.—Gen. Ferrera, the Minister of War, has arrived here with two thousand troops. Eight hundred men, under President Castro's brother, are expected here at ten o'clock. Only the British cruiser Indefatigable is now here. She is at anchor in the middle of the harbor. All the other warships have left La Guaira. Minister Haggard and Herr von Pilgrim Baltazzi, it was learned today, left here last night. The former was on board the Retribution, and the latter on the Vineta, which sailed for Trinidad.

London, Dec. 11.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail, from Willemstad, Island of Curacao, dated December 11th, says: "Venezuelan authorities at Puerto Cabello are fortifying that town. They have seized and imprisoned the British and German consuls there, as well as other Britons and Germans, and have taken possession of their property. The authorities also seized a British steamer, which discharged a cargo of coal at Puerto Cabello; this vessel was unable to escape, owing to a breakdown in her machinery. The American consul at Puerto Cabello attempted to intervene, but he was disregarded."

London, Dec. 12.—Up to a late hour last night, the Foreign Office was still without official news regarding the situation in Venezuela.

While there is no confirmation of the rumor of fighting in La Guaira, the newspapers this morning are beginning to show a keener appreciation of the serious possibilities involved by President Castro's continued defiance. This feeling will hardly be lessened by a report that a British vessel had been seized at Puerto Cabello, and it is shown in the paper

demand upon the government to present in Parliament documents explaining the grounds for its action so that the country be no longer in doubt as to what provocation the government has received. Questions as to how it will be possible to enforce the payment of Great Britain's claims on Venezuela without costly military operations, and whether even the occupation of the capital of that country would achieve the desired result are being asked.

Through all the editorial articles published this morning there runs a strong vein of hope, more or less openly expressed, that the United States will interfere in some way to secure an adjustment of the difficulty acceptable to both sides, either by arbitration or other means, and thus avoid hostilities.

Resolutions of Respect.

The Bank of Kinston held its regular quarterly meeting of directors, Dec. 11, 1902. The following resolutions introduced by Mr. E. F. Cox, president, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, The directors desire to express their keen appreciation of the great loss The Bank of Kinston has sustained by the death of Mr. William C. Fields, its late vice-president.

There is consolation, however, in the thought that the change is gain and not loss to him, for he has passed from darkness into light, from labor into eternal rest.

As a stockholder, he was an unflinching and an unchangeable friend to our bank.

As an official, he was true to his trust. As a citizen he was progressive, useful and valuable.

As a husband and father, Mr. Fields was tender and loving; as a friend, he was steadfast, generous and kind; as a man, he was upright and conscientious, and all relations and transactions with his fellowmen were characterized by integrity and fairness.

His death is a distinct loss to our community. We would reverently drop a tear of sympathy to his memory, and commend the sorely bereaved family to the One who alone can soothe and comfort bleeding hearts.

That a copy hereof be furnished the family of the deceased, spread upon the minutes of this meeting and published in the Kinston Free Press.

H. C. SYMONS, Sec'y.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT WINSTON

FOUR LARGE BUILDINGS IN RUINS.

Fire Broke Out in Knitting Mill—Loss \$175,000, Insurance \$120,000.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 11.—Winston was visited by a \$175,000 fire this morning. The insurance carried on the property destroyed aggregates \$119,550. The fire started on the third floor of the L. A. Vaughn Knitting Mill, on North Cherry street, and the walls were falling in when the fire departments arrived upon the scene. This and three other three-story brick buildings were burned down.

Mr. Vaughn's loss is \$90,000, with \$6,500 insurance on machinery, stock, etc. The building was owned by E. L. Lockett and cost \$18,000; insured for \$4,000.

Whitaker Harvey company, tobacco manufacturer, lost \$50,000, insurance on stock, fixtures and building \$33,500.

Lipter, Seales & Co., stock of leaf tobacco, insured for \$56,000; loss very small. The tobacco was stored in Dalton Farrow Co's building, which cost \$9,000; insurance, \$4,500. There was no insurance on the tobacco machinery which cost \$4,000.

Ogden Hill & Co., had \$10,000 insurance on one hundred thousand pounds of tobacco stored in a brick building owned by J. B. Moseley, of Danville, Va. Building cost \$9,000; insured for \$5,000.

The fire is one of the most disastrous in the history of the town. Only 25 or 30 hog-heads of tobacco were saved.

If you feel ill and need a pill Why not purchase the best? DeWitt's Early Rise! Are little surprises. Take one—they do the rest. W. H. Howell, Houston, Tex., writes—I have used Little Early Rise Pills in my family for constipation, sick headache, etc. To their use I am indebted for the health of my family. J. E. Hood.

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WORK FOR 15,000 HANDS

Buy a Lot in Old Dominion Place in the City of Norfolk

\$5 PER MONTH WITH NO INTEREST OR TAXES

Let us show you how to invest \$5 and make five hundred. See L. C. Key, Traveling Representative, for Plots and Maps, Friday, Saturday and Monday. Can be found at Bailey House.

Appointments for New Bern District.

Following is the list of appointments by the N. C. Conference of the M. E. church for the New Bern District. F. D. Swindell, presiding elder. Centenary, New Bern R. F. Bumpas. St. Paul's, Goldsboro, M. Bradshaw. St. John, J. E. Thompson. Goldsboro circuit, H. E. Tripp. Mount Olive, supply, J. M. Carraway. Mount Olive and Faison, G. D. Langston. LaGrange, H. B. Anderson. Snow Hill, E. Pope. Kinston, M. H. Davis. Grifton, J. N. Lowder. Craven, W. H. Townsend. Jones, D. C. Geddie. Pamlico, W. H. Kitson. Oriental, supply, F. C. Becton. Carters, J. F. M. Giles. Morehead City, H. M. North. Beaufort, J. A. Hornaday. Cove Sound, supply, L. E. Sawyer. Straits, F. E. Dixon. Doyer, B. H. Black.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally it is itself the price of a mistake. It is not a matter of wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25-cent E. Dunn drug store.

PURELY PERSONAL

Mr. L. A. Cobb, of Grifton was here today. Mr. F. J. Ashford left this morning for Fayetteville. Master Eli Perry returned yesterday from visiting at Goldsboro. Mr. L. O. Mosely spent yesterday in Goldsboro on business. Mr. John Grimsley came this morning from Raleigh. Mr. Shade Wooten, Representative elect, was in the city this morning. Ex-State Treasurer W. H. Worth, of Raleigh was in Kinston today. Mrs. Henry Russell, of Hillsboro, Va., came yesterday to visit her father, Mr. W. H. Sutton, near Kinston. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Benton left yesterday for Whitesville, Columbus county, to spend the holidays. Mr. Oscar Lynch returned this morning from Mebane, where he had been attending Bingham school. Capt. W. H. Newell, assistant superintendent of transportation of the A. E. L., left this morning for Norfolk, Va. Rev. R. F. Taylor, who has been visiting relatives near Kinston since Tuesday, left this morning for his home at Leesburg, Caswell county.

The Dance Last Night.

A delightful dance was given at the opera house last night after the theatre, complimentary to the young ladies visiting in Kinston. Music was furnished by the Italian string band of Wilson. The german was led by Mr. Guy Webb and Miss Mary Sneed, of Wilmington. Other couples were as follows: Mr. Will Hunter with Mrs. Leah Oettinger, Mr. H. E. McCoy with Miss Susie Taylor, Mr. Clarence Oettinger with Miss Hannah Dawson, Mr. Frank Webb with Miss Mamie Hines, Mr. John Adams with Miss Carrie King, of Leaksville, Mr. John Cox with Miss Lucy Baldwin, of Wilmington, Mr. Frank Quinley with Miss Flora Oettinger, Mr. Hoge Irvine with Miss Helen Gray, Mr. Eli Oettinger with Miss Eliza Wooten, of LaGrange, Mr. A. A. Quinley with Miss Myrtle King, of Leaksville, Mr. Clyde Dunn with Miss Robertson, of Chapel Hill, Stags: Messrs. Abe Einstein, John Dawson, W. D. LaRoque, Jr., Burgess, of Raleigh, Edwin Wooten and Reland, of LaGrange, and L. G. Wilcox, Chaparrone, Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Harper, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Meade, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Skinner and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hickley.

New Evidence Against Wilcox.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 11.—W. H. Croysey, the father of Nellie Croysey, for whose murder James Wilcox shortly will be tried a second time, in Hatterford, N. C., passed through Norfolk en route to his home in Elizabeth City, N. C. from a visit to New York, where he had consulted his brother, Andrew J. Croysey, one of the lawyers for the prosecution. Mr. Croysey declared that he had become possessed of some additional evidence against Wilcox, which would be introduced at the second trial. This evidence will be given by a woman who will swear that she saw Wilcox and Nellie Croysey together within fifteen minutes of the time at which the girl's death has been fixed. Mr. Croysey refused to divulge the name of this new witness.

ARRA.

Dec. 10th, 1902. Mrs. Robert Sutton and daughter, little Miss Betty, of near LaGrange, came Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. F. Hill. Master Dan Mitchell, son of Mr. E. Mitchell, happened to the bad accident of burning his face and hand last Friday. Mr. Wm. E. Best moved to Hinton this week. Miss Ida J. Hill sets this afternoon to visit at her brother's Mr. Danny W. Hill, of near Farm Hill. Mr. G. B. Pate made a business trip to Kinston today.

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To The Bank of Kinston:

The Financier is now preparing its third annual Roll of Honor of State Banks of the United States, in which your institution, by reason of the fact that its surplus and profits exceed capital, will occupy a conspicuous position. For the purpose of insuring accuracy we ask that you fill in the attached form and return to us without delay, quoting your LATEST figures. No charge whatever attaches this request, as it is made solely for the purpose of avoiding error and insuring you your proper position. Congratulating you on the successful management indicated by your right to a position in the most select list of American financial institutions and with best wishes, we remain,

Respectfully,
THE FINANCIER,
By C. A. Hazen.

Form to be filled in and returned to The Financier.

Name of Bank in full	The Bank of Kinston	
Town or City	Kinston	State North Carolina
Capital	\$21,000.00	
Surplus and Profits	\$33,300.00	
Deposits	\$300,000.00	
Signed	E. C. Strong, Cashier.	