

## INHALED FLAMES.

Another Child Falls Victim to The Flames.

Inhaled The Flames and Died From the Effects.—A Two-Year-Old Child This Time.

Three children burned to death within four days—that was the record for Rowan county and vicinity last week.

In each case the little ones have lingered and suffered and then died. When Rev. Dr. Stallings arrived at the late residence of Mr. A. E. Sherrill Sunday, to conduct the funeral services over Mr. Sherrill's remains he was notified that there would be two interments instead of one. A little white casket was brought into the room and childhood and manhood were committed to the earth at the same hour and place.

Saturday afternoon when the extreme condition of Mr. A. E. Sherrill became known to his relatives, Mrs. J. M. McConnell, a sister of Mrs. Sherrill, accompanied by Mr. McConnell went to Mr. Sherrill's home, not a great distance from their own, leaving at home three children—a young man, a girl and a baby boy two years old.

The baby picked up a piece of pine and held it in the fire until it was in a blaze. Its sister attempted to wrest the blazing stick from it but the little one resisted. Before his brother, who had left the room, could return the child's clothes were aflame. The clothes were soon torn off, however, but not before he had inhaled the flames to such an extent as to parch his throat and receive fatal internal burns.

It was a very distressing bereavement and Mr. and Mrs. McConnell have the sympathy of all their friends in their affliction.

### In New Quarters.

The new post office is now about completed and will be ready for the reception of Uncle Sam Wednesday or Thursday. The new office is a model of convenience and arrangement and the change will be all for the good. As previously noted in the INDEX, Mr. M. C. Ruffy will conduct a general store in the room vacated by post master Ramsey.

### Quarterly Conference.

The quarterly conference of Church Street Methodist church was held last night. No special business appeared and only the regular routine was gone through with.

### The Epworth League.

The Epworth League met Monday in regular session. At this meeting it was decided to contribute to the support of the Brevard Epworth school. The usual routine business was gone through with.

### Still Very Low.

There was no change Tuesday in the condition of Maj. P. N. Smith, who has been so low for the past week. He is just alive and his death is momentarily expected.

### A Frightful Blunder.

Will often cause a horrible, Burn Scald, Cut or Bruised. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25c, a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Theo. F. Klutz & Co., Druggist.

### That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by Theo. F. Klutz & Co., Druggists.

## RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

Prof. Craige Complimented by The School committee on His Faithful Work.

The graded school committee met at the city hall Monday for the purpose of receiving the resignation of Prof. Branch Craige as teacher of the sixth grade and discussing the selection of his successor.

On motion the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the board:

"Resolved, that the resignation of Prof. Branch Craige as teacher of the sixth grade of the Salisbury public school is accepted with profound regret. Prof. Craige has discharged his duties as such teacher with great satisfaction to the committee and to the superintendent and patrons of the school, and we hereby tender him our thanks for the faithful services he has rendered; and we commend him to the public as an able and faithful teacher and as a modest Christian gentleman."

The election of a successor to Prof. Craige was postponed until the February meeting of the board. In the meantime Prof. Coon will have charge of the work in this room.

There is much regret at Prof. Craige's resignation and the circumstances that constrained him to tender it.

### Reception Given Up.

The Eurydice Club, whose intention it was to give a reception in honor of Miss Rachel Wallace on Monday evening, was much disappointed in being prevented by the indisposition of Miss Wallace.

### Street Railway Franchise.

Parties are in Salisbury seeking to secure a franchise for a street railway, says the Salisbury correspondent of the Raleigh Post. It is quite likely that a company will be organized shortly for this purpose to supply a long felt want between Salisbury and Spencer.

### To-day's Wedding.

Mrs. William Wallace left Tuesday for Salisbury. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wallace, Mrs. J. H. Hoffman and Messrs. William and Isadore Wallace will go down Wednesday morning to the marriage of Miss Rachael Wallace and Mr. David Oestricher, says the Statesville correspondent of the Charlotte Observer.

### Miss Wallace's Reception.

Miss Wallace, who will be married this evening at 7:30 o'clock, to Mr. Oestricher, will entertain her relatives and friends who are in city to attend the ceremony at a 5 o'clock dinner. She will receive the Eurydice club from 6 to 7. There will be a large number of out-of-town guests in attendance at the wedding.

### The Sewerage Contract.

The city alderman was in session yesterday evening at the city hall. At 1 o'clock the bids for the construction of the sewerage system here will be opened and the contract let. As noted elsewhere in today's INDEX there are more than fifteen bidders for this work.

### To Travel For Reynolds.

Mr. R. A. Harris returned last night from Winston, where he spent Monday putting in a line of samples preparatory to going on the road. He made a contract yesterday with the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and will represent them during the year. Charlotte will be his headquarters.

### To The Grand Lodge.

Dr. J. F. Griffith and J. C. Sowers left Tuesday for Raleigh, attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Masonic fraternity. This is Dr. Griffith's fifth consecutive year in the capacity of representative of Fulton Lodge, of Salisbury, to the grand lodge.

## THEY SELL WELL.

SALISBURY'S BONDS BRING GOOD PRICE.

Purchased by a Cincinnati Firm for 111.—Eight Houses had in Bids for them.

When the sealed bids for Salisbury's \$25,000 block of bonds were opened Monday the character of the bids demonstrated that Salisbury's rating had been "OKd" by the financial world. For the bonds only fell short by a fraction of bringing 112.

The advertisements called for bids on \$25,000 worth of 5 per cent., thirty year bonds. At 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, in the presence of Aldermen Coughenour, Newman, Winecoff, Swink and Low, and Hon. Lee S. Overman, city attorney, Mayor Lord opened the bids, which were as follows:

Dunison, Pryor and Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, 100. Seasingood and Myer, of Cincinnati, Ohio, 107.16. New First National Bank, of Cleveland, Ohio, 105.26.

Harris, Leach and Company, of Chicago, 105.65.

N. W. Harrison and Company, of New York, 108.4.

Feder, Holzman and Company, of Cincinnati, 111.25.

F. M. Stafford and Company, of Chattanooga, 108.

W. J. Hayes and Son, of Cleveland, 105.26.

The firm of Feder, Holzman and Company, of Cincinnati, being the highest bidder, the sale was made to them. They were represented by their Mr. Holzman, a member of the firm, who was present at the meeting. Four personal representatives of the eight houses bidding, were here and in the meeting.

It is considered that this is a nice figure for these bonds considering the generally depressed condition of the bond market at this time. This afternoon the board is again in session and will let the contract for the sewerage system. There are even a larger number of bidders for this contract than for the bonds.

### Mr. Saunders A Pythian.

When Mr. Albert Saunders was so badly injured on the Spencer yard Sunday night, papers showing him to be a Pythian were found on his person. Mr. H. J. Overman wired to the Chancellor Commander of the Pythian lodge at Keystone, West Virginia, apprising him of the accident and asked what to be done. He received the reply: "Take care of him and show every attention."

Mr. Saunders will be looked after by his Pythian brethren here, during his confinement at the sanitarium.

### Mr. Krider Returns.

Mr. W. W. Krider has returned from Washington City, where he went last week to put in his application for a position in the internal revenue service, before the department. We learn that Mr. Krider received satisfactory assurances from the commissioner.

### Woman Against Woman.

The Asheville darkey triumphed over the Salisbury coon last night. Two negro women had a fight in a shanty near the depot when one of them—the Asheville woman—drove a fork into the neck of her antagonist. Officers Miller and Eagle pursued but failed to bag their game.

## A BIG CRUSHER.

Mr McCannless Buys Machinery for Granite Company.

Mr. N. B. McCannless left yesterday for Charlotte to purchase machinery for the Salisbury Granite Company, which is opening up and developing the granite quarries near Salisbury. This company will put in the best and most modern machinery and operate its quarries on an extensive scale.

Among other things Mr. McCannless will purchase an immense crusher for this company so that it can supply almost any quantity of crushed granite desired.

This crusher, when in operation, will have a capacity of one hundred tons per day.

## THE COLLEGE.

Committee May Meet on February 6th to Decide Location.

Rev. L. E. Busby had a consultation with Rev. V. R. Stickle, who was in the city yesterday with reference to the location of North Carolina College.

It was the opinion of Rev. Busby, when he was interviewed later by a Times representative, that the synodical committee having in hand the location of the college, would be called to meet at an early date. Rev. Busby favors holding the meeting on the 6th of February in Salisbury. He is now in correspondence with various other ministers and members of the Synod as to the date for holding this meeting.

From the best information we can obtain Salisbury has a good chance of securing the college.

## THE LIGHTS RECEIVED.

Light Committee Receives Electric Light Plant.

The lighting committee appointed by the board of aldermen met Monday and tested the electric light plant.

They were assisted by W. B. Ryder, jr., of Charlotte, in their inspection, who rendered them very valuable assistance.

The committee was composed of Mayor Lord and Aldermen Newman and Winecoff, alderman Vanderford, the other member of this committee, being absent from the city.

The test of the power of these lights developed the fact that they were fully up to the contract and may even be more than twelve-hundred power.

The committee recommends that the lights be received by the aldermen and their report will in all likelihood be adopted.

It is a compliment to the company which has put in this plant that there is no objection whatever found either in the plant or the light given.

### Road Hands.

Mr. G. A. Sanderlin passed through Salisbury yesterday with a force of hands from Charlotte. They will go to West Virginia to work on a railroad being constructed there. Mr. Sanderlin has already taken a large number of men from Salisbury to this road.

### At The Schools.

Mrs. T. E. Johnston is teaching at the graded school for a few days in the absence of Miss Crawford. There has been a slight improvement in Miss Crawford's condition this week.

The colored graded school was well attended yesterday for the opening day.

## JOUBERT HURT?

Report that his Horse Fell on Him.—Not confirmed.

Pulitzer's New York Mansion Laid to Ashes—Mother Who Killed Her Son, Hanged Yesterday.

### JOUBERT HURT.

London, Jan. 9.—Special.—A dispatch by the Glasgow mail states positively that General Joubert has been seriously injured. His horse was shot from under him and the falling animal rolled over upon him, injuring him so severely that he will be unable to take any further active part in the war. This report has no official confirmation.

### ANNIVERSARY HUMBERT'S ACCESSION

Rome, Jan. 9.—(Special).—This, the 22nd anniversary of the accession to the throne of King Humbert is being celebrated by the loyalist throughout the Empire.

### LOUISE MASSET HANGED.

London, Jan. 9.—(Special).—Louise Masset Young, the French girl who killed her son to keep knowledge of its existence from the man she hoped to marry, was hanged this morning, after making a complete confession.

### GERMAN DIET MEETS.

Berlin, Jan. 9.—(Special).—All signs indicate a sharp fight in the Prussian Diet which asembled today, against Prince Hohenzolne, whom the conservatives are determined to oust. The agrarians are becoming more outspoken than ever against the government in demanding increased protection for agricultural products.

### PULITZER'S RESIDENCE BURNED.

New York, Jan. 9.—Special.—The palatial home of Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor of the World, was burned this morning. The loss, with contents, is three hundred thousand dollars. Mrs. Pulitzer awakened the children and nurse, Edith and Constance and the babe were taken out safely besides Mrs. Pulitzer and eight servants. Mr. Pulitzer was at Lakewood.

### WOMAN TO BE HANGED.

London, Jan. 9.—(Special).—This is the day set for the execution of Mile Louise Masset, a French governess, for the murder of her illegitimate son, a child of three years, whose existence was an obstacle to a marriage that she had in view. Although the crime is so horrible in every detail that no excuse is even possible, the instinct of feminine solidarity and the sentiment of horror inspired by capital punishment, together with the feeling that, while guilty of an abominable offence against society, Louise Masset is not alone responsible, as the unnamed father of the child is allowed to go unpunished, have induced the Fronde the standard bearer of the feminist movement in France, to circulate a petition to Queen Victoria asking that the sentence of death be commuted to one of penal servitude. The petition is signed by most of the leading people in educational circles in France, and others.

After Laborers.

Mr. Clyde Krider, an old Salisbury boy, who has for the past five years been an overseer on turpentine farms in Georgia and Florida, is in the city today procuring laborers. He will take a party of men to a turpentine farm on the coast of Florida, where he is now working.

## THE APPROPRIATION.

The Amount of School Money by Townships.

That was gratifying information contained in Monday's INDEX relative to the appropriation by the county school board for school purposes, showing as it did that the appropriation was in excess 15 cents per capita of any yet made by this county.

The amount appropriated by townships is in round numbers as follows:

Township	White	Colored
Salisbury	\$4255	\$1704
Franklin	819	352
Unity	585	222
Scotch-Irish	453	156
Cleveland	262	875
Mt. Ulla	407	305
Steele	350	208
Atwell	1120	231
China Grove	1442	306
Locke	664	287
Litaker	833	52
Gold Hill	991	211
Morgan	795	28
Providence	850	192

## CLUB MEETING.

The Social Club to Meet And Discuss Means And Measures.

The TRUTH is authorized by Mr. T. B. Brown, who has been one of the leading and most progressive factors in the organization of a social club for Salisbury, to announce that there will be a meeting of the members of the club at the city hall on Friday night, the 12th inst.

It will probably be a month before the rooms in the Overman building are ready for occupancy but Mr. Brown wishes to get the members together for the purpose of discussing means and measures. It will probably be decided to order the furniture for the rooms so that when the building is in readiness there will be no delay in installing the club in its commodious and handsome quarters.

When the club was organized a membership of sixty-five was secured. It is expected that this number will be increased before the club is prepared to entertain its membership.

Every friend of this valuable social organization should attend the meeting at the city hall Friday night.

### Name Changed.

The quarterly conference of the Methodist church of Salisbury, which met Monday decided to recommend a change to the annual conference in the name of Church Street Methodist church. They will recommend that the name be changed to the First Methodist church and the recommendation is expected to be favorably acted upon by the annual conference.

### Afflicted and Penniless.

A widow with five small children is dependent on the wages of the two older girls. The oldest is now dangerously ill, so that the ten year-old child must support the family and provide for the sick. Her wages will not be due for nearly four weeks and the family is already penniless. If you are in better circumstances leave a mite with Editor INDEX.

### A Boy's Mother.

My mother, she's so good to me, Ef I was good as I could be, I couldn't be as good—no sir! Can't any boy be good as her. She loves me when I'm glad er mad, She loves me when I'm good er bad; An', what's the funniest thing, she says She loves me when she punishes.

I don't like her to punish me; That don't hurt, but it hurts to see Her cryin'—nen I cry, and nen We both cry—an be good again.

She loves me when she cuts an' sews My little cloak an' Sandy clothes, An' when my pa comes home to tea, She loves him most as much as me. She laughs an' tells him all I said, An' grabs me up an' pats my head; An' I hug her, an' hug my pa, An' love him purt' nigh much as ma.—James Whitcomb Riley.

## THE HIGHEST YET.

The Highest Appropriation Yet Made to Public Schools.

Rowan's school board broke a record Monday, which they may well be proud.

They fixed the per capita amount for the public school children at \$1.75—15 cents more than it has ever yet been. There were present at this meeting Chairman John S. Henderson, D. A. Sloop, John K. Goodman and County Superintendent Kizer.

The superintendent was instructed to notify the school trustees that 15 cents per capita of this amount is to be paid out of the \$100,000 appropriation and may not be paid as promptly as the other school funds, according to a letter from the State Treasurer. In making contracts with teachers they shall do so with that understanding. Dr. Geo. A. Brown was elected a school trustee to succeed A. E. Sherrill, deceased, in Mt. Ulla.

The superintendent's report was submitted and received.

## A SHINING MARK.

Death Comes to one of Rowan's Best Citizens.—A. E. Sherrill Dead.

When the news was flashed to Salisbury Saturday afternoon that A. E. Sherrill was dead the town was shocked. Expressions of regret were heard on every side and many and splendid were the tributes paid to his life and memory.

Perhaps no man outside of town was so well known to the citizens of Salisbury as was Mr. A. E. Sherrill. And certain it is that no man was more highly esteemed.

For some time Mr. Sherrill has been ill. But not until last Wednesday did his sickness take a serious turn. On that day he went to his bed never to arise. He was stricken with hemorrhagic fever and the setting of each day's sun saw him nearer eternity's line. Saturday morning witnessed the beginning of the end. Then it was that life's sands began to sink. At 8 o'clock Saturday afternoon the dissolution came.

Rev. Dr. J. N. Stallings, of this city, was requested to conduct the funeral services and went up to Mr. Sherrill's late residence where the funeral services were held Monday afternoon. There were present not less than five hundred people, an immense concourse of the friends of the deceased gentleman having assembled from various sections. Dr. Stallings preached the funeral sermon from the text: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, they do rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

The remains were taken to Back Creek cemetery for interment.

At the grave the Pythians and Masonic orders, both of which Mr. Sherrill was a member, observed their burial service.

Mr. Sherrill was 52 years old at his death and has been identified with nearly every forward step taken in his community. He had built up a prosperous mercantile business and when the North Carolina Midland Railroad was constructed the station of Mt. Ulla was established on his property about fifty yards from his residence and he was appointed to the agency. He had been for many years a consistent member of the Cleveland Baptist church. He was a member of the Masonic, Pythian, Hopsoph and Arconan fraternities, and in the latter he carried insurance.

In the councils of the Democratic party Mr. Sherrill will be sorely missed. He was a member of the county executive committee and a safe and faithful worker for his party's interests.

He leaves a wife and seven children.