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Thanksgiving in the City

SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

The Day Fittingly Observed in Statesville—Collections Taken for Various Purposes by the Churches—Many Indulged in Hunting.

Thanksgiving day, a day the mention of which suggests visions of pumpkin pie, a slaughtered turkey, cooked and brown, with its feet in the air and a carving set near at hand, where there is a reunion of the families around the festive board, when the sons and daughters come home to spend just one day.

Here we had the small boy with his vision of hunting for rabbits and other games, also his gleeful anticipation of the table filled and groaning with all kinds of good things to eat.

This day with all its gladness and merry-making is come and gone. It will be many days before we all bury it, the pleasures of yesterday, an ideal day in every respect.

The morning dawned with cloud and fog and the first impression was that it would be a dreary, rainy day. But it was not long before old Sol, on his daily journey, came along and dispersed all the dreariness of the day.

But despite the dainty aspect of the clouds large crowds began to arrive for the "Old Folks" singing at the court house.

Here all the old folks of this immediate section, gathered, with a good sprinkling of the younger set, and sent up their Thanksgiving and praise in those old songs. It was indeed a picture of happiness and thankfulness that was written on the faces of these dear old people in singing these old songs.

The church doors were thrown open at 11 o'clock, where special sermons were preached, and collections taken for various purposes. These services were all well attended.

At the First Baptist church, Rev. C. A. Jenkins, text Matthew 6-11, "Give us this day our daily bread." Collection for Thomas orphanage, \$35.50.

At the Associate Reformed church, by Rev. J. H. Pressly, text Job 1-10, "Thou hast set a hedge about him, and his house and all that he hath. Thou hast blessed the labor of his hand, so that his substance is increased in the land." Collection for the orphanage at Rio Verde, Mexico, \$73.40 and three windows for the new South-side church.

At the First Presbyterian church, by Rev. J. M. Wharey, text, 1st verses of 97 and 99 chapters of Psalms. Collection for the Barium orphanage, \$72.09.

At the Lutheran church, by Rev. W. A. Lutz, amount of collection for the orphanage at Salem, Va., \$15.00.

At the Front Street Presbyterian church by Rev. J. B. Branch. Collection for the Barium orphanage \$7.00.

Collection will be held over till Sunday to give those not present yesterday, a chance to contribute to these causes.

Others who did not go to church amused themselves in various ways, horse back riding driving, skating and numerous other ways.

The hotels and cafes of the city gave special dinners.

Everybody appeared to be happy to be able to throw off the bur-

Trees Dug Up.

The once beautiful elm shade trees on the courthouse lawn are being dug up this morning.

For a great number of years these trees have adorned the court house lawn, but they were trimmed a couple of years ago and since that time they have been dying gradually.

It is a pity indeed that the county was compelled to remove the trees as they added a lot to the view of the temple of justice.

Mr. R. O. Leinster remarked this morning that he well remembered the occasion when these trees were set out.

He stated that the court house which formerly stood on the square was burned in December 1854. The site where the court house now stands was selected for the next court house.

This spot was an apple orchard, with a barn in the center.

Mr. Leinster further stated that Jno. Roseboro was then sheriff of the county and Milas Freeland was clerk of the court, and that they had quite a controversy as to the distance that should be between the trees when they were set out.

But ere many years elapse the young trees set out at the instigation by Mr. Richard McLaughlin will afford us shade and beauty for the lawn.

Church Notes.

Rev. J. N. Huggins has asked the Mascot to make the following announcement:

There will be preaching at the court house Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. N. Huggins.

Sunday night Rev. Huggins will preach at the Race street church.

Rev. Harold Turner will arrive in the city the latter part of next week and preach at the court house on Sunday following.

Rev. J. R. Seroggs and family will go next week to Shelby, where Rev. Seroggs will be stationed next year. Before going, Rev. Seroggs will visit his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seroggs, in the country.

Demorest Stock Co.

The Asheville Citizen of the 24 says:

"The Demorest Comedy company opened this week engagement at the Gran last night to a packed house. The initial bill was "A Miner's Daughter," a comedy-drama of western life, and the audience seemed to take to it. The Demorest company, which appeared here last year, carries some excellent specialties, chief of which is the Demorest musical specialty. May Blossom Williams was clever in singing sketches.

Tonight's attraction will be "A Midnight Elopement," a three act farce-comedy, which will be presented at popular prices.

Basket Ball.

The basket ball game at the opera house yesterday afternoon between Davidson and Statesville resulted in a score of 23 to 11 in favor of Davidson.

The Davidson boys are well practiced and easily whipped the Statesville boys who had not much practice.

Mr. H. L. Nattress of the local team, and Mr. Harper Brady of the Davidson team made some fine records.

A large crowd witnessed the game, which was quite interesting and enthusiasm was plentiful.

Mr. W. J. Reynolds of Danville, is in the city.

den of life for one day, and enjoy the relaxation from the strain that the average citizen undergoes 365 days in a year in their daily work.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Some Happenings Among Those People You Know and Others You Don't Know.

Mr. D. T. Winston of Charlotte is in the city.

Mr. Claude Loughour of Lenoir, is at home.

Mr. Jim Mills of Danville is visiting home folks.

Mr. Leigh Scott, of Davidson, spent yesterday at home.

Mr. Z. V. Turlington of Mooresville, is in the city today.

Mr. Cleat Everhart, of Taylorsville, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. W. B. Baroody of Richmond is registered at the Iredell.

Miss Alice London of Mooresville, is visiting in the city.

Mr. Fred Ramsey of Lexington, spent Thanksgiving at home.

Mr. J. H. White of Greensboro, is a welcome visitor in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Anderson visited relatives in the city yesterday.

Mr. Reid Patterson, now of Charlotte, spent yesterday at home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Poston, of Salisbury, spent Thanksgiving in the city.

Mr. S. P. Eagle and family attended the Eagle reunion at Spencer yesterday.

Rev. C. A. Wood, of Asheville, spent yesterday with his daughter, Mrs. L. C. Lawrence.

Mr. P. W. Eagle and daughter, Miss Jennie, attended the Eagle reunion at Spencer yesterday.

Mr. W. E. Webb went to Lenoir yesterday, where he will spend a few days with his sister, Mrs. Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hanks, of Charlotte, spent Thanksgiving in Statesville, returning home this morning.

Dr. D. A. Garrison of Bessemer City, spent Thanksgiving in the city with his brother, Mr. S. H. Garrison.

Mr. William Hartness of the A. & M. College at Raleigh, is spending Thanksgiving with his parents near town.

Mrs. T. L. Bost and little daughter, of Cabarrus county, are visiting Mrs. Bost's daughter, Mrs. Roland Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Caldwell, accompanied by Master Joe Caldwell and little Miss Margaret Flanigan, spent Thanksgiving in Charlotte.

Miss Mary Ruffy expects to leave Saturday morning for Morganton, where she will enter the training school for nurses at the state hospital.

Special at Skating Rink.

The special attractions at the Statesville Skating Rink, were well attended yesterday. Large numbers of ladies and gentlemen were on the floor during the sessions.

A greased pig was turned loose tlemen were on the floor during chase by several, was finally caught by Mr. Wm. Kutsch, for which he received the prize, a dollar bill.

Mr. Kutsch, also won the prize in the barrel race, which was skate checks for a month.

COTTON MARKET.

Local Market.

Prices paid at wagon:

Strict good middling 8.90

Good middling 8%

Middling 8%

Stains and Tinges 6@7%

The market showed a drop in prices.

The finishing touches are being put on Mr. W. R. Sloan's home on East Front street.

LOCAL BRIEFS

The newly elected county officers have about completed their bonds, and will be ready to take their office the 7th of December.

Something like 12,000 pounds of tobacco was sold at the Planter's warehouse this morning, bringing an average of 11 cents per pound.

Mrs. Bettie Holland shipped her household furniture to Elkin Wednesday and will go to that place tomorrow, where she will open a hotel.

Mr. L. C. Wagner this morning sold to Judge Coble his interest in the block of store buildings next to the post office, the consideration being \$5,000.

Col. D. A. Lowe and family, of Lowesville, Lincoln county, have moved to Statesville, and are living in Mr. L. K. Overcash's residence on West Front street.

Dr. R. A. Bass has the latest in the harness line, known as the Griffith automatic harness. The doctor can sit in his buggy and simply by pulling a string unhitch his horse.

New Sterling Items.

Farmers are busy sowing wheat and oats. The most of the cotton is gathered in this community.

Corn shuckings is about through with in this section.

Mr. Bratton is drilling Mr. Allen Stevenson a well.

Mr. Charlie Pope shot a large hawk recently which measured 4 feet and 2 inches from tip to tip. He shot it while in the act of catching a young chick from his yard.

The huntsman's horn sounded merrily on the clear and bracing autumn air Tuesday morning when Messrs. Lester Alexander, Henry Nash and John Pope started out to hunt sly renerd. They soon struck a hot trail and after an exciting chase of about 9 hours, they gave it up and went home.

Rev. C. J. Sox filled his appointment at Mount Carmon Sunday.

Mrs. Martha Rector and daughter, Mrs. Gracie Douglas, who has been visiting in this community for two weeks, started for their home in Blacksburg, S. C. Mrs. Rector's mother, Mrs. Matheson, accompanied them home.

Our school at Elgin is progressing nicely. Mr. Clifton Troutman is principal and Miss Mary Stevenson assistant. Miss Stevenson was assistant last winter and the children love her very much.

Mr. Frank Waugh, who has been sick for about three months with typhoid fever, died last Saturday evening at 7 o'clock and was buried yesterday at New Bethel, Rev. J. Meek White conducting the funeral services. Mr. Waugh was married last Thanksgiving day to Miss Regina Alexander.

Miss Maggie Waugh of Stony Point will spend next Saturday night with the writer and family. Violet bring your fiddle and come BLUE BELL.

Turkey Shooting.

Mr. W. W. Gaither conducted a shooting match at the Statesville gun club yesterday morning in which a large number of Statesville sportsmen participated.

There was some good shooting and 14 turkeys were given away as prizes. The following named gentlemen received turkeys: Messrs. D. M. Ausley, Alex. Cooper, E. S. Pegram, W. W. Gaither, two each. Messrs. C. B. Mott, F. D. Cathon, Geo. Hawn and R. V. Tharpe, one each.

Mr. R. V. Tharpe made the best score.

The Old Folks Singing.

Although the weather was threatening, quite a number of good singers both old and young gathered at the court house in Statesville yesterday as announced, the old Christian Harmony book being the book used; the singing began about 11 o'clock and a few pieces were led by Mr. E. O. Shaver. Next Mr. P. Raymer led for a short while.

Just a few minutes before 12 o'clock, Hon W. D. Turner was called on to speak a while in favor of the singing and he at once responded and gave the audience a few minutes talk which was very encouraging and inspiring to his listeners who gave undivided attention. We could find no fault with his remarks, only he didn't speak long enough and he did not have but a short time to speak. At 1 o'clock the crowd gathered again and Messrs McLain of Alexander and Johnson of Statesville led a few pieces.

The Photo company, who are here under the management of Mr. Huffman kindly offered to take a photo of the oldest person who took part in the singing, the person who gets the photo free of charge was Mr. Azor Sloan, he being 81 years old.

The singing was opened and closed with two beautiful and earnest prayers by Rev. Alvin Goodwin.

This has been a day long to be remembered by all who sang and also to those who listened to the sweet music as it poured forth from the mouths of the old folks and also some of the young.

It was not a contest but was certainly an enjoyable occasion.

ONE PRESENT.

A Marriage Yesterday.

Mr. Walter L. Bullin and Miss Mary Beggarly were married last night at the home of Mr. Claude Sisk in South Statesville. Rev. J. H. Pressly officiating.

The marriage was a quiet affair and only a few friends of the contracting parties were present.

Mr. Bullin is a native of Dobson, Surry county, but has for some time been in this county, being for a long time mail carrier from Statesville to Houstonville, and has a reputation of being a good one. Mr. Bullin recently came to Statesville, and accepted a position as delivery man with Chester Bros., where he is at present employed.

Miss Beggarly is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Beggarly of this city.

Cooleemee Items.

Work will soon begin on the new drug store building.

Miss Lilly Lion spent last week with her friends at Advance.

Mr. G. L. Cope's residence at North Cooleemee caught on fire last Monday. The damage we do not know, but had it not been for the appearance of Mr. Burt Tatum who was passing by, the house would have been totally destroyed.

Mr. T. E. Bradbury the artist will leave Cooleemee Dec. 6th, for his home at Knoxville. All persons who desire pictures made will see him before the above date.

Mr. R. A. Prim of Cooleemee has accepted a position with the W. & J. Knox Net and Twine Co. of Mt. Island, N. C. We are sorry to see him leave.

Mr. B. N. Allen the greatest fisherman that has ever struck Cooleemee caught 45 pounds of fish in two hours Tuesday with hook and line, the largest one pulled the beams for 15 pounds. The editor saw, them this is no pumpkin joke.

Will White is Pardoned

FOUR PARDONS THIS YEAR.

Will White, Colored, of Iredell, Sent up in 1893 for Burglary and Three Others Pardoned—Brief Sketch of White's Career.

Raleigh, Nov. 25.—Following a custom instituted by him at the beginning of his term, Governor Glenn issued Thanksgiving pardons to take effect yesterday. Pardons are issued only to long term prisoners who have good records and who have no friends who have interested themselves in getting a pardon for them. He has therefore issued only two pardons, but as this is his last time he issues four. Those pardoned are Jeff Mace, white, Madison county; Walter Newton, white, Granville county; Will White, colored, Iredell county; Moses Pender, colored, Edgecombe county.

Will White, colored, who was pardoned yesterday by the governor was convicted of burglary in 1893 and sent up for 25 years.

As the older citizens will remember, White was found in the home of Mrs. Sallie Walker, at White's mill, near this city. He had secreted himself in the house and was found by some of the members of the family.

He was brought to town and placed in the county jail to await the November term of court in 1893.

His trial took place on Saturday, November 11, 1893, before Judge Spier Whitaker. Judge B. F. Long was solicitor, and the following named gentlemen were the jury who convicted him: W. E. Turner, S. A. Lowrance, J. M. Deaton, C. D. Conner, G. C. White, W. C. Feimster, J. L. Deaton, W. C. Henry, W. R. Smith, B. F. Douglas, J. C. Burgess, J. W. Stevenson.

One member of this jury, Mr. Deaton is now sheriff-elect of Iredell county.

White has just served 15 years of his time and has had a good record as a prisoner, hence his pardon.

NO RACE SUICIDE.

Married Twenty-Seven Years and Have Twenty-Seven Children.

Wade Wilburn and his wife, Martha Wilburn, who live on Mrs. Lillie Padgett's place, about six miles northeast of the city, have been married twenty-seven years and are the parents of twenty-seven children. Mrs. Wilburn was 15 years old when she married Mr. Wilburn. She is now forty-three years old and her husband is fifty-three. The little Wilburns came singly and in good health. That marriage may be a profitable investment in Spartanburg county, that story is proof sufficient.—Spartanburg Herald.

Among the Sick.

Mrs. W. F. Hall, who was operated on two weeks ago at the Billingsly continues to improve rapidly.

Mr. W. F. G. Morris who underwent an operation at the Billingsly last week is doing nicely.

Dr. B. F. Long who suffered a slight accident last week, is very ill with blood poisoning which he contracted this week.

Rev. R. C. Green continues very ill at his home on Sharpe street.