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No. 1

SEVERE EARLY MORNING FIRE.

Mr. Goodfriend's Loss Will Amount to Considerable—Partly Insured, as Was Also the House Owned by the Younger Estate.

The home of Mr. Louis Goodfriend, on North Main street, was destroyed by fire this morning about 2 o'clock, entailing a pretty heavy loss.

When the fire was discovered the flames had gained such headway that it was impossible to save the building or much of the contents of any value. Mr. and Mrs. Goodfriend had rather a close call themselves. The last named awoke first and aroused her husband, telling him that some one was trying to break in through the roof. It was then ascertained that the house was burning fiercely.

The fire originated in the rear part of the house, but the origin is not known. It may have been set on fire, but it cannot be imagined who could be so mean as to do an act of this kind. So far as known, Mr. Goodfriend did not have an enemy in the world, but on the other hand, our people, both white and colored, esteem him most highly.

Mr. Goodfriend's loss will amount to between \$2,500 and \$3,000, with half enough insurance to cover the loss.

The house was owned by the Younger estate, who had \$800 insurance upon it.

There was not a nicer home in Roxboro. The most of the furniture was mahogany, and all the furnishings of the house were first class in every particular. Among the things destroyed were several hundred dollars worth of fine silver ware.

All of our people sympathize with each of the losers by the fire.

Death of Mrs. W. T. Noell.

Mary Arabella Noell, (nee Moore) was born Feb. the 9th 1827, and died Dec. 25th 1903. Sister Noell said some days before her death that she was not afraid to die, and that God's will must be done. She died like she lived, peacefully and quietly. Her very life was a crown of loving kindness; and her home was the home of the preacher, and not only the Methodist itinerant but of all denominations. She was a member of the M. E. Church, South, nearly sixty years and in that relation she lived a very consistent Christian of the pure type. She was loved by all who knew her; and so kind and affectionate to her neighbors and kinsman; and so devoted to her children that the stroke in her death makes the grief greater. She was the salt of the earth and that kind which had not lost its savor. Her character, all lit up with the light of God, was like a city on a hill which can not be hid. May her life, kind deeds, and words, be golden sunbeams to fall on the path way of her loved ones to cheer them and guide their feet in the same good way.

She leaves a heart stricken husband, W. T. Noell, to mourn his loss, and five sons Jas. S., J. L., J. W., Thos. A. Noell of Mt. Tirzah and Paul Noell of Durham, and three daughters, Mrs. Susan East of Mt. Tirzah, and Mrs. Virginia Speed and Mrs. Lucy Tillett of Durham and large number of grand children. May the Lord comfort and sustain with his grace the sorrowing ones.

M. D. GILLES.

CHRISTMASTIDE MARRIAGES.

Popular Young People Join Hearts and Hands, and Resolve to Cleave to Each Other "Until Death Do Part."

On Wednesday evening, December 30th, at 6:30 o'clock, in Edenton Street Methodist church, in Raleigh, the beautiful marriage of Miss Edith Landrum Ivey and Dr. Samuel Peyton Norris was consummated.

Miss Annie Lee Currin, of Oxford, was maid of honor, while the groom's best man was Mr. William C. Petty, Jr., of Carthage.

The ushers were Mr. Robert Dowd, of Charlotte; Mr. Arthur White, of Mebane; Mr. Paul Alderman, of South Carolina, and Mr. Jesse Norris, of Apex.

Mr. Samuel Parrish presided at the organ, and the bridal party entered to the strains of the wedding march by Lohengrin. Mendelssohn's wedding march was used for the recessional.

Rev. Dr. T. N. Ivey, father of the bride, in his usual impressive manner, performed the ceremony that linked together in matrimonial bonds the hearts and hands of this popular young couple.

After the ceremony Dr. and Mrs. Norris left over the Seaboard Air Line for Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Palm Beach, Miami and other points in Florida.

The church was handsomely decorated with palms and potted plants.

The happy couple have scores of friends and acquaintances who wish for them the best that life affords. A number of friends of the bride reside in Roxboro.

ROGERS WILKERSON.

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized on December 23rd, at the home of Mrs. J. L. Wilkerson, on Flat River, when her eldest daughter, Miss Bessie Wilkerson, was united to Mr. Ira Rogers. The parlor was beautifully decorated with holly, cedar and other virile plants that brave the rigors of our climate. The room was darkened; over all streamed the soft, tender light from shaded lamps. In the presence of relatives and of lifelong friends of this pure and sweet-hearted family who were gathered there in token of the esteem they felt for this fine young woman. Rev. J. A. Beam, the loved pastor of bride and groom, spoke the words that made them one.

The attendants were Mr. S. G. Wilkerson with Miss Lettie Rogers; Mr. Roger Wilkerson with Miss Fannie Compton; Mr. Henry Rogers with Miss Jessie Webb; Mr. Jake N. Loy with Miss Mary Wilkerson; Mr. Baxter Allen with Miss Pauline Neal; Mr. Clyde Wagstaff with Miss Addie Hester; Mr. Sam Moore with Miss Bessie Rogers; Mr. J. L. Foushee and Miss Blanche Barnett.

The bride's maids wore white. The bride was charmingly and simply gowned in white organdie, trimmed with silk, and she carried in her hand a bunch of Bride's roses.

After the ceremony the party drove to the home of the groom's father, where an elegant supper was served.

Verily, congratulations were in order. The bride is well known in

our county, and wherever she is known she is loved for her unselfishness and helpfulness, and pleasant ways.

The groom is a sturdy young farmer of Person county, an only son of Mr. P. S. Rogers.

THE COURIER extends congratulations and best wishes to these young people and desires for them all the good this world bestows.

BLALOCK-BROOKS.

Durham Recorder: Married, on Tuesday, Dec. 22, Mr. Edgar Rufus Blalock, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Blalock, of Roseville, and Miss Ara Lloyd Brooks, daughter of Mr. John T. Brooks, of Roxboro.

The ceremony was performed at 1:30 o'clock, by Elder Jasper Hall, at the residence of the bride's parents, after which the happy couple and friends went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Blalock, of Lyadover, where a sumptuous supper was served. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Blalock was beautifully decorated with cedar, mistletoe and holly, and everything was served to the delight of all present.

The bride and groom received many presents. Mr. and Mrs. Blalock visited Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Blalock before returning to Roxboro, where they will reside for the present. May they live long and be happy.

Notes From Hurdle Mills.

Again we are safely landed into another year. Christmas passed off very pleasantly, and every one, especially the young people, seemed to enjoy themselves. Now as we are in the infancy of another year, let us strive to make good every possible advantage that is offered us for the betterment of ourselves and our fellowman.

To mention all the visitors at and around Hurdle Mills during Christmas would fill nearly a column. So I will only mention the most distinguished ones.

Mr. W. K. Long and his two friends, Mr. J. E. Veazey and Master Bill Henry, of Creedmoor, spent Christmas visiting in this locality.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Taylor visited in Durham county two days of Xmas. They reported a pleasant trip.

Mr. Frank Elliot and Mr. Tyler Atkins two of Durham's prominent young men visited Master Hubert Laws during Xmas, they arrived at Hubert's home on Sunday, and on Wednesday night Mr. Wesley Laws Hubert's father gave to the young people a party in honor of these young men which was indeed one enjoyable occasion, and on Thursday they returned to their home much to the regret of all that met and was made acquainted to them, especially one of two of our young girls.

Mr. Emmitt Davis and James Couch of Durham county spent Wednesday night with Mr. Cane Taylor. They returned Thursday.

Mr. Sam Daniel returned to his home in Amance Friday. He spent Xmas with home folks at Hurdle Mills.

Quite a large crowd was in attendance at the Xmas tree which was at Berry's Grove Church Monday evening.

Mr. E. M. Daniel gave the young people of this vicinity a dance Thurs-

day night which was much enjoyed by every boy and girl present.

Mr. Jno. Horner and sister Milla of this place spent Wednesday and Thursday visiting near Roseville, N. C.

Mr. Wm. T. Daniel and father Mr. F. M. Daniel made a flying business trip over to the University Wednesday.

Those wedding bells have been ringing again around Hurdle Mills. Well if they keep on like they have been for the past two years by next Christmas, the young people will all get married.

On Tuesday of Christmas Mr. Benjamin W. Kirby, Jr., and Miss Lola Malone daughter of Mr. R. D. Malone were happily united as man and wife. We wish for them a long and happy life. Rev. S. Y. Brown officiated.

On Wednesday Mr. F. W. Long and Miss Mollie Horton daughter of Mr. Jno. Horton were married at the home of the bride's father. Success to them.

The writer had the pleasure of spending the evening with Prof. D. S. Parker of Laws Saturday in Xmas. Prof. Parker is very sick unable to be out of his room much to the regret of his many friends.

Miss Maie and Sallie King of Meredith, spent several days up in this locality last week and some of our young men almost cried when they returned home. "Especially one."

Mr. Charlie Jordan and sister Miss Ida, of Laws, visited several days in the vicinity last week.

Our school is expected to start up again Monday, Jan. 4th. We hope every boy and girl in this district will attend. That is those of school age.

Mr. Samuel Rimmer of Mebane, a visiting relative and friends this and last week.

I will close wishing everybody much success and happiness during this Happy New Year.

A. P. DANIEL.

Jan. 2 1904.

Children Poisoned.

Many children are poisoned and made nervous and weak, if not killed outright, by mothers giving them cough syrups containing opiates. Foley's Honey and Tar is a safe and certain remedy for coughs, croup and lung trouble, and is the only prominent cough medicine that contains no opiates or other poisons. For sale by W. R. Hambrick & Co.

Work is to begin at an early date on Durham's union depot. Matters have finally been settled, after efforts covering a period of many years. The site selected is on the Farmers' Warehouse and old market properties.

JOINS THE GRAY HOST.

Longstreet Dies at the Age of 84, Except Gordon the Last Lieutenant General of the Confederacy.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 2.—General James Longstreet, soldier, statesman and diplomat, and the last lieutenant general of the Confederate Army with the exception of General Gordon, died in Gainesville, Ga., this afternoon at six o'clock from an attack of acute pneumonia. He had been ill two days.

General Longstreet was a sufferer from cancer of one eye, but his general health had been good until Wednesday when he was seized with a sudden cold, developing into pneumonia of violent nature. He was 84 years old. He is survived by a wife, two sons and a daughter. He will be buried in Gainesville, which has been his home since the Civil War.

General James Longstreet was born in Edgefield district, South Carolina, January 8th, 1821. He was appointed to the military academy from Alabama, where he graduated in 1842. He won his spurs in the Mexican War, where he participated in eight important battles and was brevetted captain and major for gallant conduct.

When the Civil War began he enlisted on the Confederate side and was immediately made a brigadier general. He had an important part in many of the battles of the war, and was known as one of the hardest fighters in the service. He was in the surrender at Appomattox.

After the war he established a commercial house in New Orleans. He was United States minister to Turkey under President Hayes, and under President Garfield was United States marshal for the district of Georgia. Some years ago he was appointed United States commissioner of railroads, with headquarters at Washington, which position he held at the time of his death.

The municipal board of Winsted has decided to accept the proposition of Andrew Carnegie to give that city \$15,000 for a public library.

Administrators Notice.

Having qualified as Administrators the estate of the late W. A. Barton, we hereby notify all persons owing said estate to come forward and make immediate payment, and all persons holding claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them for payment on or before the 28th day of December, 1904, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

This 23rd day of December, 1903.
W. A. BARTON, JR.,
C. H. TAPP,
Admin's of W. A. Barton, dec'd.

TO OUR CUSTOMERS.

May the year 1904 be the happiest and healthiest you have ever enjoyed

To Our Competitors Customers.

The same to you in full measure and you couldn't make a better

New Year's Resolution

Than to decide to trade with us in the future. Our customers will tell you so. We have just finished taking stock and have many bargains to offer now.

A. M. BURNS.