

WRECK AT CROATAN.
 Freight Cars Detailed But No Persons Injured.
 Yesterday morning a north bound freight train on the A & N C road was wrecked near Croatan. The train was going along at the usual rate of speed; the train was under charge of conductor Richard W. Davis and W. P. Marshall was engineer. The first car behind the engine left the track and it was followed by five other cars, all loaded which bumped along over the ties for quite a distance and the cars were badly damaged. The track also was torn up; making an expensive wreck for the company. No person was injured. The morning passenger train, of course, could not pass, a train was made up at the depot here, however, and backed to Croatan. Passengers, baggage and express were transferred from the delayed train to the one that was waiting and the delay was reduced quite a good deal, the supply train reaching New Bern a little less than an hour late. The wreck was cleared away last night so that trains will be able to pass today.
 No cause is assigned for the accident.

The New Year's German.
 The New Year's german of the Clarendon Club was one of the most delightful affairs that the organization has had. Every feature was favorable to the success of the dance; the floor was in fine condition, the music which was furnished by the Boston Italian orchestra was very fine and all was most enjoyable.
 There were several new and novel figures executed on this occasion. An appropriate set was where the figures "1906" were described and another was the punch bowl set, where after a series of graceful maneuvers each gentleman secured the dishes containing the punch and was joined by his partner to take refreshments together.
 Following are those who attended:

Mary Barbee of Raleigh with Robert Smallwood; Lollie Morris of Chattanooga Tenn., with Ralph Smith; Cynthia Ramsey of Tennessee with Vernon Blades; Mary Rouche of Salisbury with Albert Patterson; Olive Merrill of Snow Hill with Ed Hancock; Sackie Latta of Raleigh with John Green; Estelle Murphy of Detroit, Mich., with Wade Meadows; Miss Murphy of Detroit with Mr. Johnson of the University of Virginia; Miss Bloodgood of Virginia with W. G. Moore of Newport News, Va.; Mrs. Zitz of New York with T. C. Daniels; Katie Barbee of Raleigh with Jack Stewart, Nettie Rawlings with A. M. Rountree; Hattie Marks with B. L. Grinstead; Octavia Hughes with S. K. Eaton, Jr.; Sophie Whitford with E. S. Street, Jr.; Emma Greenbaum with Frank Pinner of Wilmington; Amy Gulon with Marcus Dill, Clare Morris with Garrison Farrow, Mary Howland with E. E. Williams, Bettie Windley with Jones Wabab; Mabel Green with S. R. Street, Jr.; Fannie Green with Wallace Smith, Elizabeth Ellis with J. A. Nunn, Mary E. Street with Dr. W. L. Hand, Elizabeth Thorpe with Jack Smith, Annie Stevenson, with Richard Duffy; Mary Rice with E. W. Dunn, Myrtle Disoway with O. G. Dunn; Margaret Yonge with Paul Rawlings; Rebecca Street with E. S. Street; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stickle; Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hyman; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Rawlings; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lumden; and Mrs. Benton with T. W. Waters. Mr and Mrs Faulkner
 Chaperones: Mrs. J. R. B. Carraway Miss Hand of Burgaw.
 Madames: Delia Whitford, M. O. Windley.
 Stags: J. S. Claypool, Blackwell Stith, G. R. Dunn, G. A. Wood, Roberts, J. E. Thompson, E. M. Green, C. L. Stevens, N. C. Hughes, W. W. Fuller, Chas Wyatt E. K. Bishop, J. G. Dunn, Walter Watson W. W. Acosta, of Dover, J. L. Kearny, Perth Amboy, N. J., R. Tull, of Kinston, Dr. A. W. Disoway, H. M. Humphrey, of Goldsboro; and Gordon Smith of Raleigh.

CASTORIA.
 Growth of Rural Free Delivery.
 Raleigh, Jan. 3.—Postmaster Bailey of the Raleigh postoffice has just completed the payment to carriers of the rural free delivery. An idea of the development in this particular branch of the postal service may be gained by the bare statement that \$64,801 was expended in North Carolina for this purpose for the month of December. This shows a marked increase that figures in the thousands. December just past has been a record-breaker as has the entire year. The receipts for the same month, 1904 were \$5,097.28, for a corresponding period in 1905, \$5,416.97. The last month's business having been well in excess of any receipts. With these figures must also be considered the fact that a former Raleigh paper which had suspended publication had suspended publication. The gross receipts for 1905 were \$1,541.15, as against \$50,882.55 for 1904.

CASTORIA.
 Sudden Death of Ex-Sheriff Lane
 Yesterday noon Mrs. T. G. Hyman received the sad news of the death of her father, Mr. William B. Lane, formerly sheriff of Craven county at his home near Perfection. Word came by messenger who brought a note from his son Richard stating that at 8 o'clock Mr. Lane was dressing and was heard to call for help. They found him on the floor and he was quickly placed on the bed. Everything possible was done to prolong life but efforts were vain he lived only half hour. The cause of death was heart failure.
 Mr. Lane was one of the best known men in the county. He was a man of honor and integrity and was highly esteemed by a large number of friends. Genial, whole souled and jovial he was a most pleasant companion, a man whom to know was to love.
 The arrangements for the funeral will be announced in Friday's Journal.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES
 Topics of Great Interest Will Be Discussed at These Meetings.
 The attention of farmers and others interested in agricultural subject is called to the announcement of the State Agricultural Department for the sessions of Institutes to be held in this section in a few days. The meeting are not only interesting but important and every farmer should avail himself of the opportunity of attending them.
 The institutes have been arranged to be held in New Bern and two other places in this vicinity; the schedule is as follows at the court house in Bayboro, Saturday Jan. 13; in the court house at Jacksonville Monday, Jan. 15; and at the court house in this city Tuesday Jan. 16. The morning sessions will begin at 10 a m sharp and the afternoon at 1:30 in every instance. We publish the program under discussion.
 Soil Improvement, by W. J. McLendon, Anson County, N. C.
 How shall we use our corn stover and cotton seed to get the most out of them? by Dr. Tait Butler, State Veterinarian.
 The Preparation and Fertilization of Land for Truck Crops, by Dr. E. Porter, Pender County, N. C.
 The Feeding and Care of Farm Work Stock to prevent disease, by Dr. Tait Butler.
 Cotton Culture, by W. J. McLendon.
 The above program is given to indicate the nature of the Institute, but it may be changed or added to, as those present desire. A question box will also be open, into which all are invited to put such questions as they desire discussed. A large number of intelligent questions means an interesting Institute, and special attention will be given to these features.
 The Farmers' Institutes are held for the benefit of farmers, and none but strictly farming questions will be discussed. It is, therefore, especially desired that a large attendance of farmers be secured, and to this end you are urged to be present and to induce your neighbors to do the same.

Gales Creek Items.
 Christmas was enjoyed by everybody in the community.
 Rev. A. T. Garner and family were visiting relatives in Newport Fork last week.
 Mr Sam Taylor of New Bern, was visiting at his brother's, Mr W P Taylor, last week.
 W P Taylor & Sons are putting down a large plant for the manufacture of fish-scrap and oil.
 Misses Addie and Ida Sharp of Swansboro, were visiting friends and relatives here last week.
 Miss Kate Oglesby of Riverdale, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr and Mrs E F Oglesby.
 Mr A T Garner has chartered a vessel to carry the watermelons he expects to grow this year to the northern markets.
 Mr Sam Hall was in our midst last week.
 Mr and Mrs D S Bell of Bogue were visiting at Mr D S Sharps Saturday.
 Mr F J Lewis expects to kill his fat hogs this week.
 Mr E F Oglesby killed a large wild turkey Saturday and shot at two others.
 The free school at this place will start again Tuesday.
 Rev A T Garner returned home Sunday from Vernolia, where he has been conducting a series of meetings.
 Mr and Mrs B F Sanders went over to Mr W W Backs one day last week.
 Mr W L Taylor will move in a few days to operate the fish factory of W P Taylor and Sons.
 Mrs Mattie Bell of Maysville was to her fathers Mr C G Dudley last week.
 The Sharpie, Mary Thomas that was sunk at the mouth of Gales Creek two weeks ago has been floated.
 Success to the Journal and a prosperous year to its readers. I A J

Administrators Notice
 Having this day qualified as Administrator of the estate of Mary Williams, deceased, all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified, to the undersigned, on or before the 31st day of Jan 1907, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment.
 This 31st day of Jan 1906.
 C. J. MCCARTHY, Administrator
 J. B. O'HARA, Attorney

LIST OF LETTERS
 Remaining in the Post Office at New Bern, Craven county, N. C., Jan. 2, 1906.
 MEN'S LIST.
 A—Jas E Abbott.
 B—H M Bickford, W L Brodgers.
 C—James Cradle, 191 George St.
 D—Rev. E H Davis, Samuel Dill, 384 Coat St.
 E—Jas Edwards.
 G—Bob Garines, 10 George St., W P Granger.
 H—Henry Henderson.
 J—Wm Joyner, R F D Box 29.
 N—Capt B H Newton.
 O—Joe O'Neal.
 R—Lumie Riggs, J H Richardson.
 S—Rev. J. A. Smith, care Rev. H. C. Watson, James Sill, Joe Smith.
 T—Wm John Young Thurston.
 W—G Y Watson.
 WOMEN'S LIST.
 A—Mrs B L Allen.
 B—Mrs Laura Bourden.
 C—Mrs M Campbell, 13 Chas St. Mrs Mary A Cooly, 124 Pollock St.
 D—Della Duval
 Mrs Lois Laster.
 M—F Moore, 42 Chase Alley.
 S—Mrs Sarah Scribbings, 202 New St., Miss Lizest Sleguge, Jamaica Satterfield.
 Persons calling for the above letters will please say advertised and give date of list.
 The regulations now require that (1) cent shall be collected on the delivery of each advertised letter.
 S. W. HANCOCK,
 Postmaster.

CASTORIA.
 Wholesale Prices Current.
 Eggs, per dozen..... 21
 Chickens, old per pair..... 60
 " young, per pair..... 40-50
 Pork, per lb..... 7-7 1/2
 Live Hogs..... 5 1/2
 Beef..... 6-6 1/2
 Hides, green, per lb..... 7
 " dry..... 5
 Beans..... 20 to 25
 Corn, per bushel..... 50 to 55
 Peanuts..... 20
 Potatoes, Yams..... 10
 Bahamas..... 60
 Local Grain Market.
 Corn, per bushel..... 50
 Oats..... 45
 Meal..... 75
 Hammy..... 75
 Green bran, per 100 lbs..... 2-25
 Wheat bran..... 1-40
 Feed, 100 lbs..... 1-25
 Cotton seed meal, 100 lbs..... 1-25
 Cotton seed hulls, 100 lbs..... 45

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 My General Merchandise business at Silverdale, Onslow county, N. C. A fine opportunity, good location. Will sell at a bargain.
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Hall—Pleasant.
 A very pretty home wedding took place last night at nine o'clock at the home of Mrs. M. C. Morris on Hancock street when her niece, Miss Esther Estelle Pleasant was married to Mr. James L. Hall.
 Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of the new Centenary church was the officiating clergyman. The decorations were simple and artistic, the hall being in green and red and the parlor, in green and white; with evergreens and cut flowers in the room where the ceremony was performed a bank of green was made and an altar on each side of which were steps of candles diminishing in size at the top.
 The bride was very attractive in rep white silk with semi-veil caught on the brow by an opal sunburst. The bride and groom were preceded to the altar by a little flower girl, Christine Thomas clad in white.
 The music was gracefully rendered by Miss Belle Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Hall will be at home to their many friends No. 92 Pollock street.

Arapahoe
 January 2nd.
 Our people all seemed to enjoy the holidays. They mostly spent the days in testing their marksmanship and hunting. We are glad to see our young people manifesting more of a spirit of peace and quietness, as it speaks so much more for the good name of our community.
 Last Thursday night the Christian Sunday School at Arapahoe had their Christmas tree entertainment. Many were hindered by the heavy rain, but a large number near by gathered and seemed to enjoy the occasion.
 We surely have some evidence that our community is improving for we can scarce y get out of hearing of the hammer on some new building in the neighborhood. This generally means a growing county.
 Mr. J. W. Rawls has just finished two new dwellings on the point road.
 Mr. W. H. Belangie has returned home from East Lake, N. C. He is repairing and building anew on his lot in Arapahoe.
 Mr. Mack Potter has bought the old school house and lot and converted it into a work shop.
 Mr. J. B. Lee has put in a shingle mill and is now cutting shingles.
 Misses Aurie, Cadie and Margie Hall and their brother spent Christmas with Arapahoe people.
 Messrs Carlo and Grant Lee spent Christmas with relatives and friends here.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Scott spent a few days last week here. G. B.

Broad Creek
 January 3rd.
 We are having some very bad and rainy weather.
 Mr. Dan Morton went to Newport Friday.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore who spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Fannie Oglesby, of Swansboro, returned home Tuesday.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Gaskins, who have been visiting in our neighborhood, returned home Wednesday.
 Mrs. Mattie Bell of near Maysville, is in our neighborhood this week visiting her parents.
 Mr. Elmon Garner and Miss Daisy Willis were united in marriage December 24th. We wish them much happiness.
 Miss Addie Sharp of near Swansboro is in our neighborhood visiting friends and relatives.
 Snow Flake.

"Monsieur Beaucaire."
 Last night Croston Clarke, supported by a very able company gave an excellent presentation of the delightful French romance-comedy "Monsieur Beaucaire". It was the treat of the year and words are wanting to speak the full praise of the performance.
 Not only was the acting superb but all that goes to make a play successful had a part; the scenery and costumes were especially a notable feature, remarkable for their artistic beauty.
 Creston Clarke's reputation has been made in this play and he meets every requirement of the play in a most admirable manner.

FOR SALE
 Two yokes of well broken oxen, carts and rigs complete suitable for timber hauling. Can see cattle at Cool Spring and obtain information by phoning to Cool Spring, or apply of janator at New Bern Graded School.

Rhodes Military Institute.
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 ONLY SCHOOL LEAGUE.
 Editorial Daily Free Press Nov. 20, 1905.
 The Free Press has previously noted the decided stand taken by the R. M. I. cadets on the question of cigarette smoking. They have decided to banish the cigarette entirely from their midst and with this purpose in view have enrolled the entire membership of the institute—both young men and young women—save one boy, in a branch of the National Anti-Cigarette League.
 Major R. F. McCracken, the commandant at the institute, has taken the lead in the good work and is zealous in his efforts to put down the pernicious cigarette habit. As soon as the local league was organized he made application to the National League for a charter which he has since received, together with this letter commencing the school:
 Dear Mr. McCracken:
 "I thank you very much for the catalogue of students, which we have received, and which I have examined with a u h interest, especially the little check marks when indicate interest in the warfare we are trying to wage against the cigarette. It certainly is an enviable record to be able to call a roll of students with each pledged against the use of the cigarette. We rejoice also that the young ladies have signed the auxiliary pledge, for we are confident in all instances the influence of the young ladies in this direction can hardly be over-estimated.
 "I do not know of any other high school or college in North Carolina that has an Anti-Cigarette League, and I am confident that many failures and failures in the north will be glad to place their sons in an institute that has taken so decided a stand against this baneful evil.
 "I enclose you an enclosure of \$1.00 for two gold badges and same will be forwarded to you by the next mail.
 Hoping to hear again from you regarding the work of your institute and explaining in the good work that is being done there, I am,
 Yours sincerely,
 CAROLINE F. HORN,
 Secretary.

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SHORT PASSING EVENTS.
 Prices quoted in seed cotton yesterday were 3.50 and 4.00.
 Weather prophet DeVoe's general forecast for the weather this year is that storms will be of unusual frequency and violence. The prediction for the next three days is fair and warmer weather.
 Preparatory services for communion will be held at the Presbyterian church tonight and at 11 a. m. Saturday. Rev. J. G. Garth, the pastor, will conduct the services.
 The yacht "Norita" which sailed from New Bern last Tuesday, returned yesterday on account of low water at Ocracoke Inlet, preventing its crossing the bar.
 A surprising dullness continues in the fish market. For several weeks the daily supply has scarcely enough to accommodate the local demand. The shortage is said to be on account of warm weather. Rock, mullet, catfish and chub are the principal fish caught.
 The rainfall Wednesday as measured by local weather observer, James Hill, was 1.80, making the total rainfall since Sunday 3.72 inches.
 Shade Edwards was in the police court again yesterday for being drunk and disorderly. The mayor assessed the costs on him.
 The city of Wilmington is seriously considering the city ownership of the water plant as the private corporation under which it now gets its water does not give satisfactory service.
 The regular monthly meeting of the Womans Missionary Society of Centenary M. E. Church will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the church parlors.
 The funeral of ex-sheriff W. B. Lane took place at the late home at Perfection yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. G. T. Adams officiating. The gathering was large and was comprised of many friends of Mr. Lane who lived at a distance as well as those who were neighbors.
 The Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church will meet at the home of Mrs. F. W. Hughes this morning at 11 o'clock.
 See treasurer's report on second page.

FIRE CHIEF'S BANQUET
 New Bern's New Chief Entertains Officers of Department and Guests.
 As per the long established custom, the newly elected Chief of the New Bern Fire Department each year gives a banquet to the officers of the Department and such guests as he may wish to invite.
 Wednesday night, was the occasion for 1906, and Mr. James B. Dawson, was the Chief-elect, and at his home on New street, was gathered the favored guests to enjoy the hospitality at his tables, which were tastily decorated and well loaded to meet and fill every want of those who sat about them. After partaking of several courses, and with the banqueters in excellent humor, Mr. Tom C. Daniels, who has so often served and most acceptably in the capacity of toastmaster at former banquets, in a happy speech started the speaking of the evening, the toasts being responded to in few minutes addresses, and they were all greatly enjoyed and the speakers liberally applauded.
 The following were the speakers and their toasts to which they responded.
 This Annual Gathering—C. L. Stevens.
 Some things I Wish to Say—T. A. Green.
 Funny Side of Gathering—H. E. Royall.
 A Chief's Duty—J. K. Willis.
 Recommendations—L. A. Taylor.
 The Ladies—Albert Willis.
 Lessons From Fire Work—Rev. G. T. Adams.

Executive Committee Meets
 Special to Journal.
 Raleigh, Jan. 4.—The new executive committee of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Association had a four hours session today. Prest. S. B. Alexander, Ashley Horns, H. C. Dockery, A. C. Green, and H. H. Speight. James H. Pou was present by request and subscribed \$100 to the State Association, as did Ashley Horns to aid in forwarding the great work now to be undertaken. H. C. Dockery was elected permanent chairman. It was deemed expedient that the committee canvass the bankers and merchants in Raleigh and ask their more direct co-operation. Work is to be immediately taken up in the unorganized and weaker sections.

Teachers Examination.
 Examination of public school teachers will be held at the Court House in New Bern Thursday and Friday January 11, and 12. White teachers are notified to be present Thursday and colored teachers Friday.
 S. M. BRINSON,
 Co. Supt.

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