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THE NEW STATION.

Some time last fall the Merchants Association took decided action for better accommodations at the A. C. L. depot. The railroad authorities took the matter up and said they would build a new ticket office and waiting rooms and enlarge the freight department. It was also understood that these improvements would certainly begin by the first of this year, but so far as we have been informed nothing has been done. The question often asked is why has this work been so long delayed?

The Allen's have not as yet been captured.

The Hon. William J. Bryan will enter the fight in Ohio against the candidacy for president of Judson Harmon.

We are still hoping there will be a clean up day for our town. It is certainly needed. Who will take the lead?

We believe the movement to erect a monument to Gov. Charles B. Aycock on the public square in Raleigh will meet with hearty approval throughout the State.

As the Titanic went to the bottom of the ocean with 1,595 souls the string band stood on the deck and played softly, "Nearer My God to Thee." It was a very touching scene.

Col. Roosevelt came to North Carolina Monday and delivered addresses at Asheville and Greensboro. Great crowds heard him. He said that if he received the nomination for President he was coming again.

President Taft and Colonel Theodore Roosevelt are having quite a lively campaign in the various States to see who can secure the most votes in the Republican convention at Chicago in June. It appears at this writing that Teddy is in the lead.

The Republicans of North Carolina are casting about now to get an issue with which to gain votes throughout the State and it looks like they are going to insert in their platform a clause against State prohibition. They hope by this means to gain wet democratic votes. And they will get a few, but there are a lot of Republicans in the western part of the State that will never vote that ticket when they declare for prohibition.

A Pretty Home Marriage.

Rosemary, N. C., April 22.—At the home of Mr. R. L. Cook in the new Patterson mill village, his brother, Mr. T. H. Cook, and Miss Agnes Shaw, took the solemn vow that made them husband and wife, on Sunday night at 7 o'clock, April 21st. This young couple have the good wishes of their many friends. May they enjoy many happy years of prosperity and usefulness.

They left on Monday following for their future home at Gumberry, N. C.

Death of Mr. J. M. Grizzard.

Rosemary, N. C., April 22.—Mr. J. Frizzard died at his home in Rosemary, N. C., Thursday, April 11th. Mr. Frizzard was for several years foreman of the cloth-room of the Rosemary mill and was very popular. He leaves a wife and two children and a large circle of friends to mourn his departure from this life. The remains were taken to Halifax and layed away beneath the sod to await the great resurrection. His family has the deep sympathy of the entire community.

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AN AWFUL TRAGEDY.

One Brother Shoots Another Through the Heart.

On Wednesday evening of last week in the store of Mr. Sydney Williams, of Essex, this county, Mr. Melville Allen shot his brother, Mack Allen, through the heart, death resulting almost instantly. We have been unable to get any particulars in regard to what caused the shooting. It seems that only a few words had passed between them while in the store and the shot came unexpected to the people who happened to be present at the time.

Melville Allen did not make any effort to escape. Deputy Sheriff G. L. Knight was sent for and put him under arrest during the night. He was given a preliminary hearing and committed to jail without bond.

The brothers had just buried their father, Caesar Allen, Sunday before the killing and their mother is terribly afflicted, having been a helpless invalid for 30 years.

News From Dawson.

Dawson, N. C., April 22.—The farmers in this section are getting ready to plant cotton this week. Owing to the long wet and cold winter they are not very far advanced with their farm work. A good many have cut off the fertilizer this year.

There are several sick horses in this neighborhood. They seem to be affected very strangely; they get weak and fail to eat. We are informed that one man lost a very fine mule and another a very nice horse. Both had the same kind of disease.

Mr. W. E. Messenger visited his old home, Chase City, Mich., recently, to see his aged father, whom he had not seen in twenty-two years. He found him cheerful. Since returning home he received a telegram stating that his father was dead.

We noticed in The Commonwealth last week the new railroad spoken of from Littleton to Roanoke river via Enfield. Let it come by Dawson by all means, and give us a depot. It would make the old hony-handled sons of toil rejoice to think we could have our fertilizers shipped to us and could ship our produce without killing our team hauling over bad roads. Friends, talk up the railroad, for we need it here.

Mrs. Mamie Weeks' school closed last Friday. She gave an ice cream supper to the children. They all seemed to enjoy themselves nicely. Mr. Leslie Simmons and Misses Mary and Bessie Parks rendered good music for the enjoyment of the crowd.

Our new preacher, Rev. Mr. Brooks, gave us a good sermon last first Sunday. Hope there will be a larger crowd out to hear him the first Sunday in May.

We are glad to learn that Mr. J. J. Barnes is improving so much from his severe attack of rheumatism.

A Protracted Meeting.

Roanoke Rapids, April 19.—In the Baptist church at Roanoke Rapids a great and glorious meeting has been in progress since the first Sunday. The pastor, Rev. A. O. Moore, with the able and efficient assistance of Rev. O. L. Powers, of Scotland Neck, is sowing the good seed of the Word of God. Mr. Powers is indeed a gifted preacher and his strong gospel sermons, fraught with great faith and love, are surely worth making a personal sacrifice to hear. His sermon last Friday night on the Prodigal Son was one of the greatest we have ever heard. Last Sunday afternoon he preached a special sermon to men only. Sunday night at 8 o'clock he delivered another powerful sermon from John 3:16.

Several persons have manifested a deep interest in their souls' salvation, and no doubt many more will do likewise. The Christians of the various churches are greatly revived.

The writer feels glad that the good people of Scotland Neck were fortunate enough to secure the services of Mr. Powers as their pastor. We were also very glad to see some of the young men from Scotland Neck in the meeting and to hear them sing.

It is hoped that great good may be done during this meeting for the upbuilding of the Master's kingdom around Roanoke Rapids and Rosemary.

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THE TITANIC DISASTER.

The Great Ship Went Down In Mid-Ocean and 1,661 Human Beings Perished.

GREATEST OCEAN TRAGEDY ON RECORD.

New York, April 19.—A steady downpour drenching the thousands who crowded adjoining thoroughfares and docks received the rescuing Cunarder Carpathia, when it docked here last night at 9 o'clock. Physicians, nurses and ambulances from every hospital in the city were hurried to the docks and every available official was on hand to facilitate the landing of the surviving passengers of the Titanic. As soon as the Carpathia docked it was ascertained the list of rescued was only 739, placing the number of souls lost in the disaster at 1,340. Whatever clinging hope was entertained that the total of rescued would be larger than at first learned from wireless reports, was dashed when the Cunarder had unloaded her cargo of terrified survivors.

Passengers on the Titanic gave diversified accounts of the terrible happening. Various as these stories were they all agreed in that the Titanic was struck a glancing blow by the gigantic iceberg when making a speed of about 23 knots. Mr. J. H. Moody, a quartermaster of the ship and helmsman in one of the lifeboats, was on the bridge with the second officer, who was in command. Close to midnight the officer sighted the iceberg a quarter of a mile off and gave the command, "Port your helm!" The order was executed, but too late, as several moments later the Titanic was shaken from stem to stern as it came into collision with the submerged part of the berg. The Titanic was split open amidship as though it had been made of cardboard; a shower of icy water and lumps of ice drenching the upper decks. Captain Smith was immediately on deck and ordered that everybody put on life preservers and have the boats lowered. When the ship was struck the majority of the people on deck were filled with them. An instant later the decks were crowded with terrified women and children. Officers and members of the crew, as well as some of the men passengers, rushed to the boats and in some instances, gun in hand, saw to it that only women and children, with the necessary men to man the boats, took their place within them. After the first moment of panic the work of saving women and children went on orderly, every man submitting to the grim rule of the sea, "Women and children first!" Officers and crew displayed the greatest heroism and self-denial in superintending the rescue.

Before the last life-boat had been lowered the Titanic was heavily listing the port, and as this last boat made away from the fated vessel it was seen to deepen quickly forward. Women in the boats saw the rest of the passengers crowd to the back-decks. They plainly heard the band playing "Nearer My God to Thee" and the following instant the monster ship had been engulfed in the Atlantic.

Some women refused to leave the ship and would rather meet death by their husbands than be saved. Among them was Mrs. Isador Straus, the New York merchant prince's wife.

Captain Smith remained on the deck till the last second and was then seen to jump into the sea as the Titanic was sinking to its deep grave. Accounts of some of the passengers to the effect that Captain Smith had committed suicide as had some of his officers was strongly denied by other passengers.

New York, April 18.—The following tabulation of the passengers and crew on board the Titanic, together with those saved and lost, has been compiled from the figures in the statement issued by the committee of passengers.

Approximate number of passengers aboard:
First class, 350; second class, 320; third class, 730; officers and crew, 940; total, 2,340.

Number of passengers saved by Carpathia:
First class, 210; second class, 125; third class, 200; total passengers saved, 535. Members of crew saved: Officers, 4; seamen, 33; stewards, 96; firemen, 71.

Total number of crew saved, 210. Total saved, passengers and crew, 745.

Total number perished, 1,595. First and second cabin passengers, 650.

First and second cabin passengers saved, 335.

Total cabin passengers lost, 315.

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The publishers have determined to offer liberal terms to agents, and that it will be one of the best selling book propositions ever offered in North Carolina, is easy to foresee. Dr. Albert Anderson, Raleigh, N. C., is business manager of the proposition and all requests for agents' terms should be sent to him. It may be said in this connection that Dr. Anderson, Mr. Connor and Mr. Poe are all doing their work as a labor of love and without reward or hope of reward. The publication of the book is being rushed with all possible speed and it is hoped to have it ready for delivery within a few weeks.

In order to make the most life-like possible characterization of Governor Aycock, Mr. Connor and Mr. Poe are asking his friends in every part of the State to send them any authentic reminiscences, incidents, anecdotes and conversations of any kind regarding Governor Aycock that will shed light on his character, personality, and power. Any readers recalling any such incidents will confer a great favor upon the editors by writing them at once.

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