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## STATE NEWS NOTES.

### Short Items of Interest Clipped and Culled From Our Exchanges.

The President has appointed Mrs. D. L. Russell postmaster at Wilmington.

The Audubon Society reports that up to the 1st non-resident hunters had paid \$3,884 for hunter's license in this State.

The Graham Gleaner tells of a possum that was fattened for three months and served for Christmas dinner that weighed 23½ pounds net.

J. A. Sanders, of Raleigh, has sued Herbert Dunn, of the same town, for \$5,000 damage because Dunn struck Sanders on the head with a nail puller.

The number of postoffices in North Carolina which recently advanced to the presidential class, on account of increased receipts, is greater than in any other Southern State, which is generally regarded as an evidence of prosperity.

According to the record there was only one lynching in North Carolina the past year. During the year 1901 and 1902 there were no less than eight lynchings, of which three were for murder, three for rape, one for assault with intent to rape and one for poisoning. These lynchings occurred in the counties of Martin, Northampton, Wayne, Moore, Anson, Buncombe and Rowan, two being in the latter county.

Mrs. W. E. Shipp, whom the President was about to appoint postmaster at Lincolnton, has been given a \$1,100 position in the office of the collector of internal revenue at Raleigh, and Postmaster Barclay will be re-appointed at Lincolnton. This arrangement was effected through State Chairman Rollins, who very much desired Barclay's reappointment, and Mrs. Shipp and the President acquiesced.

### Gen. Longstreet Dead.

Gen. James Longstreet, the last surviving lieutenant general of the Confederate army, died Saturday at his home in Gainesville, Ga., of acute pneumonia, aged 83 years. He is survived by his wife, a comparatively young woman he married a few years ago, and by four sons and one daughter of a former marriage. Gen. Longstreet was born in South Carolina in 1821 and graduated at West Point in 1842. He served on the Mexican frontier and when the civil war broke out he united his fortunes with those of the Confederacy and bore a conspicuous part in the war between the States. After the war he became a Republican in politics and was several times honored by his party with office. He was minister to Turkey and also for two or more terms held the office of Pacific railroad commissioner.—Statesville Landmark.

### SANDERS CHAPEL.

Master Almond Powell is quite sick with pneumonia.

Mr. Ashley Starling is also indisposed with a complication of ailments.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith, Jr., were serenaded a few nights ago with a chime of cow-bells and a circular saw on a pole pounded by hammers.

Old Christmas with its primal superstitious, declarations of double-day-breaking, geese marching, cows praying and Jerusalem oaks sprouting, came wrapped in a beautiful mantle of feathery snow, of course the usual snow-balling was in order.

Mr. Hampton Sanders, a student of Trinity, who spent the holidays in this ranch has returned to school. He said the proudest day of his life was when he was a yearling boy wearing a geared new suit of brown jeans (a present from his teacher, Miss Fannie Higdon) with two buttons behind and a slit in the tail and foot graced with a pair of copper tipped red bound boots. X.

## KILLED HIS SWEETHEART AT A DANCE.

### A Tragedy in Rockingham County—A Drunken Lover, Incensed Because His Girl Would Not Dance with Him, Killed Her.

At a dance given in the Ayersville neighborhood in Rockingham county, New Year's night, a young man named John Gans took Miss Mary Martin to the dance. During its progress, he became intoxicated to such a degree Miss Martin declined to dance a cotillion with him. He came back next and made a request for waltz, which was considered and kindly refused. Infuriated at this second repulse, Gans, without a moment's warning or hesitation, pulled out a pistol and shot his sweetheart before a single one of the horrified spectators could dash the weapon from his hand.

With a piercing scream, Miss Martin fell to the floor, shot through the chest, and writhed in blood and agony of pain until a physician was procured. She died yesterday morning.

It is said that as soon as Gans fired he made a movement to shoot again, but a young man, Joseph Seamster, knocked him down, the bullet going through the lamp chimney and snuffing out the light, adding to the confusion and terror of the young people. In a moment the light was renewed and young Gans, making no effort to escape, was standing crying over the prostrate body of his unconscious victim, who lay bleeding on the floor.

Gans was given a preliminary trial before a justice of the peace at Mayodan yesterday afternoon and sent to Wentworth jail to answer to the charge of murder.

The unfortunate victim of this whiskey crazed man was of an excellent family, a general favorite among her acquaintances, and Gans is said to come of a good family in Stokes county.—Greensboro Telegram, 3rd.

### Goldsboro Now Dry.

To-day for the first time since the town of Goldsboro was incorporated in 1844 the saloons have been closed, except on Sundays and election days. For sixty years Goldsboro has had open saloons. On the 8th of last October the people voted on the question of prohibition and the issue was carried by a larger majority than the total vote which was cast against it, which showed conclusively that the people wished to abolish the saloons and that the determination was too great to be overcome by any ordinary force. Under the law which the election was held prohibition must remain in force for at least two years. It is an experiment for Goldsboro. If its enforcement proves beneficial to the community it will be re-adapted.—Goldsboro Argus, Jan. 1st.

### Clayton's Prosperous Institution.

Clayton, N. C., Jan. 1.—The Clayton Banking Company today paid its semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent and the Clayton Cotton Mills paid its semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. Both these institutions have enjoyed a very prosperous year and the outlook now is very bright.

### A Very Close Call.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Hood Bros. Price 50 cents.

## BLADES-ROBERTSON.

### A Beautiful Young Woman and a Prominent Business Man Wedded at Clayton.

Clayton, N. C., January 4.—Announcement cards were today issued to friends as follows:

"Dr. and Mrs. James Battle Robertson announce the marriage of their daughter, Pearl, to Mr. James Bishop Blades, on Monday, January the fourth, nineteen hundred and four, Clayton, North Carolina."

Enclosed were cards reading: "At Home after March the first, New Bern, North Carolina." The marriage which the cards announced took place here this afternoon at half past two o'clock and though a quiet home wedding, was most beautiful in its refined simplicity. There were present to witness the happy event a number of friends of the happy couple.

The residence was most artistically decorated for the wedding, a color scheme of green being used. The parlor was darkened for the ceremony and lighted tapers revealed the beautiful surroundings. The bride was gowned in a green cloth tailor-made travelling suit, with a hat of panne velvet, and carried a bride's showed bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. C. W. Blanchard, of Cary, and a unique feature was that the bride stood where thirty-nine years ago her mother had taken her position on her bridal day.

After the wedding a most delightful luncheon, prepared by Dughi, the caterer of Raleigh, was served that was enjoyed by the assembled friends. After it Mr. and Mrs. Blades left for their three months bridal tour, which will take them to New Orleans, various points in California and the far West. After this enjoyable trip they will reside at Mr. Blade's beautiful home in New Bern.

The bride is an extremely handsome young woman, with queenly figure and brunette beauty, her charming manners and happy personal traits enhancing her beauty of figure and face. The groom is one of North Carolina's most successful business men. He is a member of the large lumber firm of Blades Brothers, of New Bern, known throughout the State, and is a most affable gentleman, who is to be congratulated on winning for his wife so charming and accomplished a young woman.

Among the out of town guests were: Mrs. Cary J. Hunter, Miss Julia Ferrell, Mr. J. C. Ellington, Misses Elizabeth, Bernice, Lalla and Placide Ellington, Mr. John A. Robertson, brother of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Pool, and Mr. John O. Ellington, State Bank Examiner.—News and Observer

### Wake Forest Social Event.

Wake Forest, N. C., Jan. 2.—One of the most pleasant and enjoyable occasions of the season here was the reception given on Tuesday from four to six, by Miss Gill, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Briggs, of Charleston, Ill.

The residence was handsomely decorated and was most effectively lighted with candles.

During the afternoon quite a number of the friends that Mr. Briggs made during his four years' college life at Wake Forest, called to meet Mrs. Briggs.

In the evening the young people called from eight to ten to meet Miss Etheredge, of Selma, one of the most charming young women of the State, who is visiting here.

This was one of the most delightful evenings of the holidays, and the many guests were warm in their praise of the pleasures of the occasion.—News and Observer.

### To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

## SELMA NEWS.

Mr. J. H. Land, of Goldsboro, moved here last week.

Mr. James Jeffries went to Wilders and Clayton last week.

Miss Cora Richardson is visiting Mrs. Robena McLean at Burlington.

Robert Millard Nowell spent a few days in Burlington visiting friends last week.

Miss Emma Mathews, of Kenly, visited her cousin, Miss Rena Edgerton, here last week.

All our teachers are back and at work. The school opened last Monday with a good number present.

Last Tuesday night was the coldest night here in ten years, thermometer being only three degrees above zero.

Mr. R. M. Nowell has sold his millinery business to Mrs. A. Jones who will continue to keep a full line of millinery.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hood left for their home in Greensboro after spending Xmas with their father H. D. Hood, Esq.

Rev. J. O. Guthrie, the pastor of the Methodist church preached two very able and interesting sermons here last Sunday.

We have not had any marriages in our town this Xmas; but, we have had all of our boys and girls here and they had splendid times—now they have gone back to their schools and it is so dull and quiet. Will Richardson to the A. & M., Robert and Albert Noble and G. D. Vick to the University, Misses Rena Edgerton and Maggie Whitley to Louisburg, Ethel Winston to Murfreesboro and Mattie Robertson to B. F. U.

The Methodists' Christmas tree here last Wednesday night was a decided success. The tree was beautifully lighted and decorated with peanuts and bags of candy etc., for the children. There was another new feature that our people never saw before, a room representing the room of little 'Annie and Willie' in the little Xmas poem, was in the centre of the pulpit with the chimney for Santa Claus to come down—a little bed and two little stockings hanging from the mantle piece. Mrs. Spiers standing behind the scenes, softly but in a clear voice, which could be heard all over the church read the beautiful poem "Annie and Willie's Prayer." Little Miss Gladys Whitley and Master Walter Moore Noble personated "Annie and Willie" and carried out their parts to perfection. It was sweet to see their little hands raise up as Mrs. Spiers read, and when they got out of bed and knelt at a chair their little heads bowed and little bare feet moved the audience as it never was before. After their prayer they went back to bed and to the delight and wonder of the children Old Santa Claus came down the chimney. They could see his feet just come down without an effort and as he filled their stockings with good things; every one was as quiet as could be except little Miss Esther Vinson the 2 year old daughter of Y. D. Vinson Esq., who was slapping her hands with delight at seeing Old Santa Claus, and the little daughter of Mr. Thomason who was laughing and throwing kisses to Old Santa. When Old Santa had filled the stockings he just went up the chimney without an effort. All were delighted and are under obligations to the ladies of the Sunday School for giving us such a delightful evening.

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A new enterprise has been established in the Rodgers Cross Coads section, where a depot for the new railroad is expected, so I am informed. Short straws from old field pines are going at 2 for 5 cents, or one long straw from long leaf pines for 5 cents each. A curiosity in enterprises, is it not?

## SENEX.

### Wonderful Nerve

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental Cuts, Wounds, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Sore feet or stiff joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best Salve on earth for Piles, too. 25c, at Hood Bros.

## KENLY NOTES.

Mr. Hardie Watson moved to town last Friday. We heartily welcome him in our midst.

Mr. J. T. Howell, who is taking a course in Pharmacy at Chapel Hill, returned to school Tuesday.

Mr. A. J. Thompson, who has been living here the past year, moved to Smithfield last Thursday.

D. H. Rose, of Ashburn, Ga., who has been spending a few days with friends and relatives, returned Sunday.

Misses Lillie Pair and Sadie Richardson, left Tuesday for Raleigh to resume their studies at Peace Institute.

Miss Rena Edgerton, who has been spending the Xmas holidays with friends and relatives here, returned Friday, to school at Louisburg Female College.

Dr. Grady has purchased the Revell lot and the Renfrow lot, near the residence of Mr. W. L. Moore, on South R. R. Street, and will soon erect a handsome residence upon them.

Rev. E. W. Souders filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and again Sunday night. He will begin a series of meetings, here the 5th Sunday in January.

Kenly Academy opened Monday, after a holiday of 10 days, with most of the students returning and several new ones coming in. This is proving to be the most prosperous year of any in the school's history.

Through the failure of one of brakemen on the Southern freight train, to close the jack knife of the switch here, while they were doing some shifting, Tuesday night, the engine was derailed, thus causing a delay of several hours to several other trains.

The Railroad officials have changed the night operators here several times during the past week. Last Friday Mr. L. M. Aysby, who has been here about 6 months, was sent to Fayetteville, and Mr. J. G. Godwin, of Godwin, sent to fill his place. Tuesday they sent Mr. Godwin back to Godwin, and Mr. Moody, of Richmond, has the place here. "REX"

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## NEWS DEALER.

A very disastrous fire occurred in Wilson early Sunday morning, the losses aggregating almost \$125,000. Fire also came near destroying the Dispensary early Wednesday morning.

## GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

### Some of the Week's Events Scissored and Condensed from the Press.

A terrific thunder storm swept Southeastern Virginia Sunday, followed by a fall in temperature and snow.

Three persons were killed and four others injured in a fire Friday night that destroyed the Louvre hotel in Chicago.

George B. McClellan, Democrat, was inaugurated Mayor of New York City last Friday. He succeeded Seth Low, Republican.

The United States Cruiser Dixie arrived at Colon, Panama, Sunday morning with 600 marines. The trip was made from Philadelphia in six days.

Last Monday the President sent to the Senate the nomination of William H. Taft, of Ohio, to be Secretary of War to succeed Elihu Root, resigned.

It is announced that Hon. Richard Olney, of Massachusetts, Secretary of State in the last Cleveland cabinet and a very able man, has authorized his friends to announce him a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Fire in Buffalo, N. Y., last week destroyed two big sheep pens and 7,000 sheep intended for export. The loss is about \$75,000. The superintendent of the yards says the fire will not interfere with the handling of stock.

In a wreck on the Cumberland Valley railroad last Friday, one person was killed and eight seriously injured. The train was going at the rate of forty-five miles an hour when it dashed into an open switch in a curve, thus causing the wreck.

Last Friday Mayor Carter H. Harrison, of Chicago, issued a proclamation closing nineteen theatres and museums until an investigation as to their safety could be made. This proclamation was issued on account of the burning of the Iroquois Theatre which resulted in such a great loss of life.

A meeting of the cotton trade was held at Lancaster, England, Tuesday of last week, at which resolutions were adopted strongly denouncing "international cotton gambling" as a great injury to the trade, and an effort will be made to have the government adopt measures to suppress the gambling. If the speculators had depressed the price instead of increased it we would probably have heard no criticism of the gambling.

A banquet was given in New York City Monday night at Sherry's in honor of George B. McClellan, the newly installed Mayor. Among the prominent Democrats of the nation present were Richard Olney, of Massachusetts; Ex-Senator David B. Hill, of New York; Congressman David DeArmond, of Missouri; Ex-Senator Charles A. Towne, of Minnesota; Ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison, of Pennsylvania, and Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall. Grover Cleveland, Judge Alton B. Parker, Senator Gorman, of Maryland, and Senator Morgan, of Alabama, sent letters of regret. The leading speakers of the occasion were Hill, Olney and McClellan.

### Saved from Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt, of Bargeton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed Bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Hood Bros. Drug Store.