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## Clayton News.

Last week being Christmas week, we didn't get time to say our little say.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, of Richlands, N. C., spent Christmas here with relatives and friends.

Clayton's visitors were so numerous during the holidays that we are unable to note all of them.

Mr. Millard Hinnant, who for the past four months has been with Mr. Joe Barnes, has resigned.

Mr. Preston Stringfield and sister, and Mr. June Beckwith spent the holidays with Mrs. Ashley Horne.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Creech, of Wake Forest, spent the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Gulley.

Messrs. R. B. Whitley & Co. will discontinue business soon, we hear. They are selling their stock at cost now.

Mr. and Mrs. Flack, of Shelby, spent Christmas here with Mrs. Flack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stansell.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Gulley, and little son, and Mr. Charley Gulley, of Durham, spent Christmas here with parents.

The family of Rev. T. H. Thornton, the pastor of the Baptist church, have moved here. Our people gladly welcome them to our town.

Mr. John I. Barnes, formerly with Messrs. Horne & Son, has bought the J. E. Page planing mill outfit and will run it at the same stand.

Notwithstanding the extremely tight money conditions just passed through with Clayton's industries are able to pay their usual big dividends.

Not much changing here this time, only some moving around. When everything gets settled so we can tell what's been done, we'll tell you about it.

Messrs. Mallie C. Gower and J. C. Wallace have consolidated and will hereafter be at Mr. Wallace's stand. They feel that they are in position to better serve their patrons in this way.

We have had a jolly good time here during the Christmas holidays. Fortunately there was very little drinking, no boisterous doings—everything went along in a becoming and praiseworthy way.

The Ladies Missionary society of the Methodist church held an oyster supper at the parsonage on Tuesday night. Quite a number were present and enjoyed the good things to eat, also adding some shekels to the mission fund.

Mr. Jim Price, a white man, and Donie Horton, a negro, were found guilty of selling liquor, and were each fined \$25.00 and costs. Price was later taken up before Hon. John Nichols and held under a hundred dollar bond to the Federal court.

All of Clayton's college students were at home for Christmas except Messrs. Douglas and Eric Ellington who are too far away to bother about the trip for so short a stay. Taking them altogether, there's quite a number of college students from Clayton, something over twenty.

Mr. D. Quint Lowery and family spent Christmas with Mr. Lowery's father, Mr. A. B. Lowery of Oneals township. Among the many visitors present, was a son of Mr. A. B. Lowery, who for the past 17 years has resided in Texas. Mr. Lowery, the Texan is a cattleman of considerable note. Old Mr. Lowery celebrated his 84th birthday while all the boys were with him, and on the day after Christmas went on a rabbit hunt with them and enjoyed as much as anybody the fun of the hunt.

Jan. 1, 1908. YELIR.

We learn from a correspondent that Mr. J. W. Moore, of the Piney Grove section, near Four Oaks, recently killed a pig that tipped the scales at 581 lbs.

## Selma News.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hutcherson spent the holidays in Reidsville.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Graves, of Goldsboro, spent a few hours in the city yesterday.

A. M. Noble returned yesterday from Belhaven where he went to spend the holidays with friends.

Rev. O. R. Mangum, pastor of the Baptist Church, spent the holidays with his old friends in Henderson.

Dr. J. J. Harper, President of Atlantic Christian College, spent a day with his son, Mr. C. P. Harper, last week.

Mrs. A. Jones has moved her millinery establishment into one of Mr. Thad Whitley's stores opposite her old stand.

Attorney L. H. Allred has returned after spending the holidays with his brother, Mr. J. C. Allred, in Baltimore.

Mr. Sam P. Wood, of the firm of Wood Grocery Co., has returned to the city after having spent the holidays with friends at Enfield, his old home.

Misses Ruby Richardson and Eunice Parker, students at Davenport Female College at Lenoir, are spending the holidays with their parents here.

Mr. R. B. Whitley, who for several years was one of Selma's leading citizens, and who is now residing in Wendell, is in the city for a few days. We are all glad to welcome him in his old home again.

School began Monday with all the teachers in their places. The school this year, under the Superintendency of Prof. A. V. Cole, is doing a great work, and the people of Selma should be proud of the fact that they have such an excellent school in which their children can be educated.

Jan. 2. SENEX.

## Upper Meadow Items.

Mr. Ellington Tart spent Sunday in Harnett.

Miss Lessie Johnson spent Christmas in Sampson.

Miss Georgia Wood visited friends near Turlington last week.

Mr. J. W. Tart and Miss Armatha Parker recently visited in Harnett.

Miss Renna Wood spent Saturday and Sunday with Misses Lessie and Addie Johnson.

There was a party at Mr. P. B. Johnson's last Friday night. All seemed to have a jolly time.

The Holly Grove Literary Society has been organized with Mr. Ellington Tart, President, and Mr. James Barefoot, secretary and treasurer.

Dec. 31st. Snapshot.

## Powhatan Points.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Jones spent last week in our community.

It is rumored that there are to be two weddings in our vicinity in January.

Mr. Jesse Jones, of Raleigh, spent Christmas with his father, Mr. J. C. Jones.

Miss Viola Duncan, of Clayton, spent part of last week with her cousin, Miss Roberta Jones.

Misses Mabel Jones and Roberta Jones spent part of last week with relatives and friends in Clayton.

Messrs. A. L. and Archie Jones, of Raleigh, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Jones.

The union meeting at New Chapel church was enjoyed by a large crowd and plenty of something to eat.

SENOZ.

## It Does The Business.

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c. at Hood Bros. Drug Store.

## Polenta News.

Miss Mina Johnson, who has been at the State Normal, spent Christmas at home.

Mr. H. T. Garrard, of Norfolk, spent a part of Christmas in this section, visiting friends.

The Oakland Sundry School entertainment passed off pleasantly to all, a tremendous crowd being present.

The Sunday School Convention at Shiloh Sunday was thinly attended, due to the inclemency of the weather.

On Monday night of this week our young people gathered at Mrs. E. R. Johnson's and spent an enjoyable evening.

Wonder if the Squire would like to take another ride with the girls, he seemed to enjoy the last one hugely, and the girls say he is an excellent driver.

On Wednesday evening of this week Mr. E. S. Edmondson and Miss Dora Young gave their Sunday School classes a social party at the residence of Mr. F. T. Booker.

Two delightful oyster suppers were given to the young people during the holidays, one at Mrs. John Tomlinson's Thursday night of last week; and one at Mr. J. H. B. Tomlinson's Tuesday night of this week.

Dr. McLemore spent several days recently in Sampson, visiting relatives. His sister Miss Nellie, came back with him and will enter the private school at Mr. Willis H. Sanders taught by Miss Lillian Holt. We hope her stay Johnston will prove a pleasant one.

The Christmas holidays passed off quietly—nearly everybody conducted themselves as becometh good citizens. There was some drunkenness, to be sure—but considerably less than usual; no rowdiness to amount to anything—in fact it was a week of enjoyment to all.

When did it become fashionable for gentlemen to wear two vests! One of our young bachelors recently just before starting out to visit the fair sex, so far forgot himself that he put on two, and failed to discover the mistake until he was apprised of the fact. The young ladies say he is a trump.

Wednesday evening of last week the marriage of Mr. Willie Stevens and Miss Vonnie Jordan was solemnized at the residence of the brides mother, J. E. Jones, J. P., officiating. Miss Jordan is a pretty and lovable young woman and has hosts of friends who wish her much happiness. Mr. Stevens is a popular young farmer, and is well thought of by all who know him.

The following young people from abroad visited us during Christmas week—Miss Mary Sanders, of Smithfield, at Miss Mary Bookers; Misses Mitchiner and Lewellyn, of Wilson's Mills, at Miss Annie Myatts; Miss Julia Austin, of Clayton, at Miss Ava Yelvington's and others; Dr. Stevens, of Raleigh, at Dr. E. N. Bookers; Mr. Leon Stevens, of Smithfield, at Mr. Malcolm Sanders; Mr. Marvin Smith, of Franklin County, at Mr. G. B. Smith's; Otha Smith, of Wake, at Mr. J. W. Myatt's. There may have been others but we have failed to get their names.

There will be prayer meeting at Shiloh on the second Sunday morning at 11 a. m. After the prayer service a church meeting will be held, at which the call of the pastor will be considered. Every member of the church is urgently requested to be present in order to consult together for the good of the church. This is one of the most important meetings the church has ever held, hence every member who values the interest of the church should be present. The salary of the Pastor for the past year has been settled, so let no one stay away on that account.

TYPO.

Mr. H. C. Hood returned to Trinity College yesterday.

## Archer News Notes.

A happy and prosperous new year to all.

Mrs. Sarah Honevutt is visiting relatives in Durham this week.

Our public schools opened Monday morning with a good attendance.

Christmas passed off very quietly here. Every one seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Mr. J. A. Eason, of Mebane, is home to spend some time with his parents.

Miss Annie Brooks, of Garner, is the guest of the family of Mr. J. J. Carroll this week.

Mr. William Earp, of Durham, spent last week here with his sister, Mrs. Jas. M. Wall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Irving Barnes spent Christmas with his father, Mr. J. W. Barnes.

Mr. A. L. Bailey and Miss Lizzie Bailey returned Friday from a visit to relatives at Forestville.

Rev. Mr. Thornton, of Clayton, will address the White Oak Sunday School Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Chas. H. Anderson, of Raleigh, was in our community Monday, looking after his timber interest.

Mr. E. Liles, who has been confined to his room for sometime with typhoid fever, is reported to be slowly sinking and the end is hourly expected.

Miss Genorra Wall, of Clayton, and Mrs. Ava Wall, of the Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro, were visitors in our community last week.

Dec. 31st 1907. S. L. W.

## Beasley Bits.

Mr. Howard Beasley went to Four Oaks Tuesday.

Mr. C. C. Beasley spent Sunday afternoon at Newton Grove.

Mr. Rosmal Smith, of Four Oaks, passed through this section Monday.

Mrs. Luna Toler and little daughter, Maud, spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Stevens near Goldsboro.

Messrs. Lemon Britt and Itheir Stevens and Miss Stella Stevens spent Saturday and Sunday in the Smith Chapel section.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Stephenson returned to their home at McCullers Friday after spending several days in our section.

Miss Ethel Barber, who is teaching near Benson, came home to spend Christmas. She was accompanied by Miss Addie Johnson.

Miss Card Cox and brother, Fred, returned to their home near Smithfield Monday after spending a few weeks in this section.

Mr. Ben Weeks and sisters, of Newton Grove, were the guests of the Misses Thornton and Misses Westbrook a few days last week.

Mr. M. L. Blackman returned to his home in Charlotte Sunday after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Blackman.

Misses Mabel and Ula Westbrook and brother Grover, were the guests of Misses Mary and Isabel Weeks, of Newton Grove, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Florence Bryan returned to her home near Newton Grove Saturday after spending a few days in this section and attending the Thornton-Jordan reception Christmas night.

The following spent Thursday afternoon with Miss Alma Beasley. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thornton; Misses Lizzie and Clyda Thornton; Miss Florence Bryan and Mr. Albert Bryan, of Newton Grove; Miss Mamie Jordan, of Mount Olive; Mr. Alden Thornton, of Rocky Mount; and Miss Flora Musgrane, of Durham.

COUNTRY BOY.

## Leachburg Items.

Hurrah! for the prohibitionist who won the election in Raleigh last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Talton, of Wilson's Mills, were here to attend the Stevens-Jordan marriage.

Mrs. W. A. Jordan and children visited relatives and friends near Wilson's Mills last Saturday and Sunday.

The party at Mr. John Hardee's last Friday night was largely attended, and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. David Wood, accompanied by his sister, Miss Kittie, attended the Creech-Johnson nuptials near Benson last week.

Mr. Thad Stephens will leave tomorrow, Wednesday, for the southern part of Johnston County to take the gin reports.

Lost, by Mrs. Santa Claus on the evening of Saturday, December 28th, several account books of much importance. Finder will receive reward by returning to Mrs. David Wood.

Christmas passed off quietly in this burg. Among the visitors we note the following: Mr. and Mrs. David Holland, of Benson; Mr. Noah Thornton, of Fuquay; Mr. Manley Creech and sister; Miss Callie, and Mr. Clarence Johnson, of Elevation; Mrs. Ida Pittman and children, of Smithfield.

Dec. 31st, 1907. Sol.

## Around Elizabeth.

Miss Mattie Byrd, of Benson, spent the holidays in this section.

Misses Rosa and Nora Williams, of Durham, are visiting at Mr. Benj. Casey's.

Mrs. Henry Moore, who has been quite sick with lagrippe, is improving.

Miss Harriet Moore spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. F. B. Johnson.

Misses Alma and Flossie Lassiter, of near Four Oaks, spent part of last week with the family of Mr. S. W. Johnson.

Mr. J. L. Johnson and sister, Miss Nellie spent Christmas with their sister, Mrs. J. J. Eason, in the Sanders Chapel section.

Miss Mabel Tomlinson, who is attending Greensboro Female College, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. B. Tomlinson.

Dec. 31. A. F. F.

## Piney Grove Items.

The negative won in the debate on the query, resolved, That a gun is more beneficial to man than a dog—at the Piney Grove Literary Society Friday night, Dec. 19th. The next meeting of the Piney Grove Literary Society will be Friday night Jan. 3, 1908.

North Carolina Day was observed Friday, Dec., 20th 1907, by the Piney Grove and Massey Island schools. The programme consisted of patriotic readings and songs by the schools. This part of the work was conducted by Mr. E. F. Pearce, teacher at Piney Grove. Instrumental music was conducted by Mr. D. M. Bizzell, teacher at Massey Island school. Quite a number of the parents of both schools were present. Messrs. D. M. Bizzell and E. F. Pearce are excellent teachers.

M. L.

## Post Office Robbed at Dunn.

Last Saturday night burglars made an entrance to the post office at Durham by breaking open a side door, breaking its lock. They blew open postmaster Wilson's iron safe and took from it about a thousand dollars in money and stamps. It is thought the robbery was done while a freight train was shifting cars at the depot and so no person heard the explosion when the safe was blown open. Besides some of the post office money Mr. Wilson had part of his own money in the safe. The people there are much excited over the robbery.

## Kenley Items.

James Stencil, of Clayton, was here Tuesday.

H. F. Edgerton went to Wilson Wednesday on business.

J. M. Kennedy, of Raleigh, was here Tuesday on business.

Prof. W. A. Harper, of Elon College, was here Monday.

R. O. Martin, of Wilmington, arrived Wednesday on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Richardson are spending the week at Spring Hope.

W. H. Woodard, of Bellfield, Va., was here Sunday on a visit to his family.

Mrs. F. M. Allsbrook and daughter are spending the holidays at Ahsokie.

Mrs. A. G. Hooks returned Sunday from a visit to her parents at Fremont.

Prof. R. T. Teague returned Saturday, from Macon where he spent Christmas.

Lovett Boykin has moved from our city to Buck Horne, six miles North of this place.

Prof. F. A. Edmondson and wife were here Monday on a visit to Mrs. R. T. Renfrow.

Miss Sadie Flora left Friday for a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Grimes, of Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. A. J. Smith, of Gibsonville, arrived Tuesday to visit her father, Hon. C. W. Edgerton.

Mrs. W. L. Thomas returned from a visit to her mother, Mrs. Sallie Johnson, at Fremont, Sunday.

J. D. Flowers, of Kenly, route 1, killed his 22 months old pig this week. It tipped the scales at 705 lbs.

Jabez Hollowell and bride, of Tarboro, spent a few days with Mrs. Dora Gilbreath and Mrs. J. W. Darden this week.

Mr. W. J. Hooks, after spending the Christmas holidays here, left Monday for Ayden, where he is located for the practice of law.

The Dennis Simmons Lumber Co., of this place, closed for needed repairs Tuesday night. They will only be closed for a short while.

J. C. Bowman, the popular agent of the Atlantic Coast Line at this place, returned Sunday from Wadesboro where he spent Christmas.

Kenly Academy opened Monday and the enrollment now reaches 168, the best in the history of this institution. We feel proud of our school.

Dr. G. S. Coleman has fitted up a nice office on the corner of Railroad and Main streets, where he will be glad to have his friends and patrons call to see him.

W. I. Holland, an experienced hotelman of Benson, took charge of the Merchants hotel here Wednesday, and he will keep this popular hotel up to the record made in the past by the former proprietor J. R. Sauls. Mr. Sauls will move in a few days to his handsome residence on Bailey Avenue, which is receiving the finishing touches.

Mr. William L. Hooks, a prominent employee of the Atlantic Coast Line, was happily married Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock to Miss Nettie Godwin, the accomplished daughter of Turner T. Godwin at the residence of the bride's father. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Nobles, pastor of Kenly Baptist Church. The bride is a sister of Mrs. John T. Revell, Mrs. G. M. Morris and Pharoah Godwin, of this place. This prominent couple left on 85 Wednesday night for Florida and Cuba on their bridal tour, and upon their return will make their home in our city.

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X. Y. Z.

Mr. Wade Hampton Sanders returned to Trinity College yesterday after spending the holidays here. He is a member of the Senior class this year.