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Benson Notes.

Miss May Beck, of Henderson, has organized a music class and will teach here this summer. Miss Beck is a graduate of the Peabody Conservatory of Music of Baltimore.

The Southern Amusement Company, of Richmond, gave three performances at the hall of the Graded School Building here on Friday and Saturday night of last week. Quite a large crowd was present each night but the plays were not very good.

Among the number who visited away from town recently, we note the following, Mr. Jno. Mc Lamb, Newton Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holland, Kenly, Miss Inez Parker, and Miss May Beck, of Four Oaks, Prof. Royall and Miss Lillie Turlington, Upper Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnson and family of Elevation.

The Dr. Parker old residence now occupied by Mr. N. W. Porter caught fire Wednesday morning. The fire company made a quick run and was on the scene in a few minutes after the alarm. The fire was discovered soon after it began to burn and was easily extinguished. The damage was slight.

Among the visitors in town this week are, W. H. Stewart and J. C. Clifford, Attys., and Mrs. J. H. Pope, of Dunn, Dr. J. C. Johnson, of Durham, Mr. J. M. Beaty and Claude Sanders of Smithfield, Mr. and Mrs. David Smith of Bentonsville, Mr. J. H. Stallings of Selma, and Misses Mabel and Lizzie Hill of Raleigh.

Arthur Williams, the negro who entered the residence of Mr. J. W. Whittington on last Wednesday and carried away a considerable lot of clothing, jewelry, etc., was caught Thursday in Dunn, brought back to Benson and given a preliminary hearing before E. F. More, J. P. and sent to jail to await next term of superior court. Three suits of clothes, a revolver and watch chain were recovered. Policeman Tart and Bass of Dunn received the \$25 reward.

"Old Booze" seems to have quit runnings so fast in Benson. Only one case before Mayor Britt so far this week. The case of John Kinion and Fletcher Strickland, charged with an affray, came up for trial Tuesday. Kinion, familiarly known as "shorty" had given bail of the "seven league book kind" and failed to appear. There was not sufficient evidence against Strickland consequently the town treasury has an "aching void" that this case has failed to fill.

REPORTER.

June 11, '08.

A Card of Thanks.

I, speaking for the entire family, wish to thank the good people of our home community for aiding us in the search for our father which was caused by his mysterious disappearance from home on the 10 day of May. Many of you have helped us by words as well as actions. We all feel very grateful towards you all and hope to be of service to you whenever we can. Many that live in other parts have spoken to us by pen and helped us to stand in time of this trouble. We want to thank you all too. We will never forget any of you. We found father the twenty-seventh (27) day of May. He was near Dillon, S. C., and seemed to be a little demented. He is now in the hospital and is getting on nicely.

Sincerely,

MERRIMAN D. THOMAS.
June 9, 1908.

Riches From Above.

It is said that the rain washes the nitrogen from air, that the electric discharges of thunder shows has combined as ammonia. About an average of six pounds is thus brought to the soil annually per acre.

Princeton Items.

H. L. Chandler was in town Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Ormond filled his pulpit Sunday.

Miss Bessie Joyner is visiting at Asheville.

M. C. Gulley went to Greensboro Sunday.

Leland Becton, of Walter, was in town Sunday.

Edison Hamilton, of Clayton, was in town Sunday.

Berta Wallace, of Clayton, was in town Sunday night.

Miss Zilphia Massey, of Clayton, visited in town last week.

Capt. and Mrs. Hart, of Wilmington, were in town Sunday.

Malcolm McKinne spent several days at Louisburg recently.

Geo. M. Holt, of Oklahoma, has arrived and will spend a month or so here.

The Machinery of the Clayton Mfg. Co's plant acts as a lullaby at night and we sleep sound knowing we are progressing.

We are having lovely weather, crops are promising, grass conquered, farmers happy, whiskey talk all banished. We are a set of contented people, if we do have our differences.

Miss Myrtle May Holt gave a party last Friday night in honor of her Uncle Hubbard Huddleston, of Atlanta, Ga. There were present Misses Lela Floromela Benton, Ora Lucy Stucky, Flossie May Edwards, Lena Estelle Woodard, Julia Lucy Sanders, Clara McKinne Finlayson, Dr. A. G. Woodard, H. A. Rayford, Willie P. Suggs, M. C. Gulley. They had music and refreshments in abundance.

J. D. F.

Ex-Chief Justice Furches Dead.

Statesville, N. C., June 9.—The town was shocked this morning when the news was abroad that Hon. D. M. Furches had died last night at his home on Walnut street. While it was known that the judge had been in feeble health for some time, few people knew that he was confined to his home. He had been ill ten days or more, however, but his condition was not considered serious, and death came rather suddenly. Heart failure was the immediate cause and death came at 12:30 o'clock.

The funeral services will be conducted from the Episcopal church tomorrow evening at 4 o'clock by Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt, of Charlotte.

Judge Furches was one of the best known men in the State, and his death removes from our midst one of the best and oldest citizens of Statesville. He was of French descent and was a son of a farmer. He was born in Davie county.

The judge was often a candidate but was not an office-seeker, simply answering the call of his party upon what he knew to be a forlorn hope.

The deceased was twice married. His first wife was Miss Ringham. His second wife who was Miss Corpening of Statesville, survives.

Plowed a Twenty-Acre Field With One Furrow.

David Ragan, of Meat Camp, has just finished plowing and planting a field containing 20 acres, the entire field having been plowed in one continuous furrow. The field is a pretty knoll and was plowed with a No. 20 Oliver Chilled plow, drawn by three horses abreast. The first round was three-fourths of a mile in length, and round after round was made day after day until the job was completed, but only one furrow was run. This strikes us as rather out of the common, and we doubt if there is another field of the kind in many counties around us.—Boone Democrat.

See Aycock before you buy anything in Merchandise.

Marriage in Smithfield.

In the presence of a large number of friends and relatives, Mr. Thomas J. Lassiter and Miss Rena Caroline Bingham were united in marriage yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's mother, Rev. Mr. Shore, of the Methodist church, performing the ceremony.

The parlor had been beautifully decorated with flowers, potted plants and evergreens, and an arch of green, with a white horse shoe suspended, had been erected, under which the bridal party grouped themselves.

As the familiar (but never old) strains of Mendelssohn's March were sounded by Miss Eula Hood, the bride and groom entered the room respectively attended by Miss Eleanor Myatt, the fair Maid of Honor, and the Best Man, the gallant Dr. A. H. Rose. During the ceremony, Miss Hood played a selection from Cavalier Rusticana.

After the ceremony, fruit punch was served by Miss Inez Koonce, of Trenton, N. C., and soon afterwards the happy couple left for Waynesville, and other points in Western North Carolina, where they will spend their honeymoon.

The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. J. C. Bingham, and is quite an accomplished and popular young lady. The groom is the junior editor of this paper and has earned for himself more than a local reputation as a successful newspaper man. To his ability as an editor is to be added his great worth as a private citizen—an unassuming, kindly, Christian gentleman.

The bride was attired in white silk and Mechlin lace. She carried a shower bouquet of sweet peas and ferns. The Maid of Honor was dressed in white silk and carried carnations and ferns. The groom and best man were clothed in regulation black and staturesque dignity.

The best wishes of their many "friends will go with them wherever they go and stay with them wherever they stay."

A FRIEND.

A Linen Shower.

Last Monday afternoon at five o'clock, Miss Mamie Ellis entertained the young lady teachers of Turlington Graded school in honor of one of their number—the bride-to-be. Each teacher with "the one" exception was there before the appointed hour and they were ushered into the lower hall where was set an artistically decorated basket awaiting the different articles of linen which each had brought with her.

When Miss Bingham and her friend, Miss Koonce arrived they were greeted joyfully. A merry conversation followed, each one relating her experience since school closed—her trials and tribulations, joys and sorrows. All were invited into the dining-room, where the color scheme was pink and white. Nice refreshments were served, after which the basket, containing the gifts, was opened by the "bride." The others greatly enjoyed her surprise and pleasure, as she examined the dainty gifts and read the expressions of love and good wishes of her comrades.

After exchanging vows of continued friendship, each took her departure, declaring she had had a lovely time and agreeing that Miss Ellis proved a delightful hostess.

X. Y.

Hotel Oliver Now Open.

The Tuscarora Inn, after a thorough remodeling, has been re-opened for business under the above name, and will be conducted by Mrs. R. J. Oliver, an experienced hotelist, formerly of Reidsville.

Visitors to Smithfield will be delighted to know that the building has been renovated throughout and the management of the hotel will be all that could be desired.

Abell-Cobb.

Mr. James H. Abell and Miss Elizabeth Cobb were married in the Methodist church here Wednesday at 12:30 o'clock P. M. by the pastor, Mr. Shore. Miss Eula Hood presided at the organ. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a great number of friends who filled the beautifully decorated church.

Miss Mary Taylor Sasser, of Durham, a cousin of the bride was Maid of Honor and Mr. W. D. Hood, of Kinston, was Best Man. The ushers were Messrs. T. W. Daniel, Jas. N. Cobb, R. K. Holt and Dr. A. H. Rose.

The newly married couple left, amid showers of rice and old shoes on the 1:30 train for Washington and New York.

The bride is the attractive and lovable daughter of Mrs. J. T. Cobb, and the groom is the popular Assistant Cashier of the Bank of Smithfield.

THE HERALD joins with their host of friends in wishing them the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity.

Floods in Texas and Oklahoma.

Already Texas and Oklahoma were late with the cotton crop, rains and cold weather had retarded planting in North Texas and Oklahoma, and cold had made necessary a great deal of re-planting in South Texas as late as May 15th. Overflows had made much planting and re-planting necessary up to a still later date. The last few days have witnessed the greatest general rainfall and the highest waters ever known in either of these States. At many places over six inches of rain fell in as many hours. Railroad bridges by dozens have been washed away, and travel is greatly crippled. The rich Brazos and Trinity bottoms are now (May 27th) under water, and it will be June before they can be planted again. This means nearly certain failure in boll weevil country. Crops are everywhere late, poor and grassy. Much planting done on land was prepared early but has become foul so as to need re-planting again. Considering everything, the prospect must be about as poor as it was this time last year—not much more than half of the year before.

Prof. W. C. Welborn.
College Station, Texas.

The Father's House.

To one of the many mansions which our Heavenly Father has prepared, we believe that the happy spirit of our loved one has gone. On the last Sunday in May, at the nights deep noon, she ceased to suffer from that fatal disease, consumption, Mary J. Mitchell, daughter of Jesse Mitchell was the wife of Needham Wall. Since a little girl she had lived among us. We knew her ever to be kind, and gentle, and good. A dutiful daughter, faithful wife, and devoted mother. In her early teens she joined the Clayton Baptist church, and her deeply pious, christian life, ever showed forth her love for the dear Christ. She leaves three little ones to miss a mother's tender care. But she left them to the kind guidance of Him who keeps watch over the helpless orphan. Mary breathed her last in her loved childhood's home in the arms of her father and mother. The sorrowing parents desire to thank all the neighbors and friends who so kindly showed them such great evidence of unflinching sympathy in their sore need. They pray God's blessings on each and every one who helped them through their bitter trial. And we, who know how it strains the loving, human hearts to see the dear ones pass from their earthly sight, pray that God will comfort these sorrowing ones, and point them to the happy meeting "where beyond these voices there is peace."

A FRIEND.

Clayton N. C.

Archer Items.

Mr. J. W. Barnes is harvesting his wheat this week.

Rev. A. A. Pippin will preach at White Oak next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

The many friends of Mrs. Henry Wall will learn of her serious illness with regret.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bissett returned Sunday from a visit to relatives and friends in Middlesex.

Mr. Robt. F. Marquart left Saturday to visit relatives in Raleigh, N. C., and Philadelphia, Pa.

Owing to the burial of Mr. Wm. Wall here Sunday the White Oak choir did not go to Lee's Chapel.

Misses Genorra Wall and Ellie Whitley, of Clayton, were here Sunday to attend the burial of Mr. Wm. Wall.

Barnes' X Roads and Medlin's Lumber boys will cross bats on the former diamond next Saturday afternoon.

Some of our people attended the funeral of Mr. Kerny Eason near Live Oak Sunday. It was conducted by the Masons.

Mr. G. R. Stancil left last Tuesday for the Sanitarium at Wilson for treatment. He was accompanied by Dr. B. A. Hocutt of Clayton.

After an illness of several days, Mr. William Wall died last Saturday night. All that loving relatives and friends could do was done but he had already outlived man's allotted time and death claimed him for his own. He was in his 85th year. He was buried Sunday afternoon in the family burial ground midst a host of sorrowing relatives and friends. May God in His mercy comfort and cheer the bereaved ones.

S. L. W.

June 9.

Miss Mamie Strickland Dead.

When those full of years go the way of the world after a well-spent life, the heart is bowed with grief and there seems no comfort, but when the young and beautiful are taken in their pristine vigor, just upon the threshold of womanhood or manhood the ways of Providence seem inscrutable and the heart fails to find expression for the woe that it contains.

These thoughts were induced when the intelligence came to us that Miss Mamie Strickland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Strickland, of our city, was no more, having passed away at 9:30 Saturday night in the 15th year of her age.

Only a week she has been sick, and the shock on this account was the greater.

The funeral occurred yesterday at 4 o'clock from the Missionary Baptist church, her pastor, Rev. Mr. Jenkins, paying a loving tribute to the splendid character of the deceased. The high estimation in which she was held was beautifully demonstrated not only by the large concourse that followed the remains to the cemetery, but it was indeed touching to see the young ladies of her Sunday School class, sixteen in number, carrying beautiful flowers to lay upon her bier—Wilson Times.

Miss Strickland was a sister of Mrs. W. C. Harper, of Smithfield, and had many friends here who sorrow at her untimely passing away.

We call attention to an advertisement of Littleton College and Central Academy which will be found in this issue of our paper. Littleton College has had during the past year a patronage of 285 pupils, 258 of whom were boarding pupils.

Central Academy is a very successful school of great promise and is one of the kind so much needed in every state in the union. We know of no educational work that is more desirable than this kind.

Refrigerators, sold by Cotter Stevens Co.

Clayton News.

Very little cotton is being sold on this market now.

Messrs. S. M. Finch and C. H. Ellis went to Smithfield Wednesday on business.

Miss Lina Kennedy, of Raleigh, is a visitor here this week, the guest of Miss Nellie Poole.

Mrs. Jones and children, of Raleigh, are spending this week with her mother, Mrs. D. L. Barnes.

Miss Swannanoa Horne left Wednesday afternoon to go on the excursion to Wake Forest Thursday.

Miss Ione Gulley left Wednesday afternoon for Durham where she will spend some time with her brother's family.

Mr. Jno. P. McEwan, of New York, and Mr. A. K. Bernhouse, of Princeton, officers of the Clayton Mfg. Co., are in the city.

Our people are very enthusiastic over Mr. Horne's chances for nomination at the State convention on 24th. Mr. Horne is in fine spirits.

The storks have been to our town recently. They left Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Creech a fine boy and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Broughton a fine girl.

Mr. M. G. Gulley and Mrs. Hardie Horne are at Fuquay Springs for a while. We hope they may return much benefitted from the use of the fine water there.

Pretty weather for farm work makes things dull around our city still we are willing to grin and bear it if it's good for the farmers. Crops in this section are excellent.

Mr. N. B. Broughton, Jr., of Raleigh, was here for several days recently in the interest of the play "The Sweet Girl Graduates" to be presented here by the Raleigh High School Dramatic Club on the 19th.

There's not much talk about the Sunday-school excursion yet but we are rather expecting to have one and should we succeed in getting one planned, we shall endeavor to let you all know in plenty of time to get ready.

A series of meetings is being conducted at the Methodist church this week. The pastor is assisted by Rev. Mr. Shore of Smithfield. Mr. Shore is delighting his large congregations and much good is being done.

Pastor Thornton preached to the masons at the Baptist church Sunday morning. Quite a large congregation was present and enjoyed the sermon. Miss Mildred Broughton, of Raleigh, spent several days this week with relatives here.

YELIR.

Kissed the Pup Goodby.

Person's who went down to see the American liner Philadelphia sail for Southampton yesterday morning witnessed this scene on the pier:

A man wearing a long rain coat, accompanied by a handsome woman, arrived carrying a shaggy-haired yellow dog. As the pair neared the gangplank the man turned, and, kissing the dog on the muzzle, handed it to the woman, the while addressing it:

"Now baby, take good care of mama, and be good to her until I get back."

Then he turned and, kissing the woman good-by boarded the ship.

There was no cheering.—New York Times.

Yancey Gets The Banner.

Ladies of the Womens Christian Temperance Association proposed to give to the county that cast the fewest votes against prohibition a beautiful banner, and Yancey county won the award by casting 1,210 for prohibition and only 10 against it. Eight townships out of 11 in the county did not cast a single "wet" vote.