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CULMINATION OF ROMANCE BRINGS SURPRISE.

Announcement of Marriage of Miss Annie Lou McGuire Made Known At Luncheon.

On Wednesday afternoon the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Henry McGuire was the scene of a sumptuous luncheon given to announce the marriage of their daughter, Annie Lou, who was married to Mr. Hubert Martin, on the 9th of last July in Richmond, Va., and which event until Wednesday afternoon had been kept a profound secret. The happy couple was married, thinking that Mrs. Martin would accompany her husband who was compelled to take an extended business trip to California and the West, but owing to the delicate health of the bride's mother, objections were raised to her being away at that time. Consequently, it was decided to keep the ceremony a secret until the Christmas holidays.

This beautiful home was handsomely and artistically decorated in holly, mistletoe and cut flowers, and looked very attractive indeed in its holiday attire. The color scheme in the parlor was carried out in pink, white and green, carnations being used very effectively. The hall and dining room were festive in red and green.

The table was beautifully laid for the number of guests present, the centerpiece being a lake with red carnations. Myriad candles shed a soft light over the brilliant scene. The luncheon was served in six courses, an attractive feature being the toasts to the guest of honor or between courses. At the end of the last course, little Catherine McGuire, niece of the bride, entered the room bearing a waiter of holly upon which lay a package sealed with Christmas seals, and announced that she brought a message from Richmond. The package was opened and found to be the marriage certificate of Miss Annie Lou McGuire and Mr. Hubert Martin. The certificate was then read and passed to each guest.

This certificate showed that they were married by Rev. Dr. R. L. W. Smith, pastor of the Second Baptist church in Richmond, on July 9, 1910.

Mrs. Martin was handsomely gowned in yellow satin and black lace, her only ornament being a handsome necklace set with amethysts.

The married pair left at midnight for a trip to New York. They will be at home in Washington, D. C., after January 1st.

Those attending the luncheon were, Mrs. George Sherrod, of Richmond, Va., Mesdames Claude Barbee and R. S. Stevens, of Raleigh, Mesdames J. A. Narton, F. H. Brooks, T. J. Lassiter, F. K. Broadhurst, H. L. Skinner and H. P. Stevens, and Misses Eleanor Myatt, Anne Irlie Pou and Ruth Sanders, and Mrs. Will H. Lassiter, of Spilona.

Mrs. Martin is one of the town's most popular young ladies and has a host of friends whose best wishes go with her as she enters the matrimonial boat to sail the seas of wedded life.

Mr. Martin, formerly of Louisburg, has spent a part of the time here for the past several years, having been private secretary to Congressman Pou, and has numerous friends who congratulate him on his successful suit. He is highly educated and is well equipped for the responsible position he holds in Washington City as secretary to Senator Lee S. Overman.

It may be interesting to note that Mr. Martin is a great-great-grandson of Nathaniel Macon who was very prominent in the political life of North Carolina, in the early part of the nineteenth century, having been Speaker of the House of Representatives and also United States Senator.

The Herald extends its best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Martin for a long and prosperous life filled with joy and happiness.

Appointment.

We are requested to state that Rev. W. T. Hurst will preach at Pine Level first Sunday night in January.

A BOY OF EIGHTY ONE WINTERS

MR. HENRY FLOWERS LOVES A GOOD HUNT.

The "Old Boy" is a Democrat of The Old School, a Successful Farmer and True Citizen.

(News and Observer.)

To the Editor: When I say that I spent the forenoon today hunting with "Uncle Henry" Flowers, most every man in the Eastern part of Johnston county will say: "If you followed him in the chase for one-half day, you are a tired man tonight."

Mr. Flowers will be 81 years old in February, and is just as young and full of life as his youngest grandson. Today he entered into the chase with more enthusiasm than any of his grandsons or other members of the party. When he calls his dogs to chase a fox or "go after bre'r rabbit," it is safe to say that he will be at the finish and bring home his game. Fifteen or twenty years ago when wild turkeys were numerous in his neighborhood, he often went out and bagged four or five before breakfast, and it is safe to say that few men in North Carolina have killed more wild turkeys than Mr. Flowers.

Mr. Flowers is a great baseball enthusiast, the past summer attending practically every game played here by the junior league. Though the rules of the game have changed since Mr. Flowers played with the boys up to within ten or fifteen years ago, still he has kept posted on the very latest rules governing the game, and could umpire the game as it is played to-day.

Mr. Flowers has always been a "boy." From manhood's estate until to-day, perhaps his happiest moments have been spent at play with boys and young men, and though nearly 81 years of age, he is as active as most men are at 40 or 45.

Mr. Flowers has three sons and two daughters—all living—who have families, and he is happy when one or all his grand-children are with him, and he can romp and play with them, their games being the ones he enjoys most.

Mr. Flowers is a successful farmer and a true citizen. He is a Democrat of the old school. Though his township usually gives a Republican majority of some 50 or 60, he still lives with the hope that he will see the day when the Democrats will have a majority in his old township. He and the late ex-Sheriff Ellington were great friends, and it grieved Mr. Flowers when he heard the news that Sheriff Ellington was no more.

Mr. Flowers followed General Lee for about four years, and among the brave men of that great struggle, there were none braver. He is a regular attendant at all the reunions of the old veterans, and a reunion in Johnston county without Mr. Flowers present would be a sore disappointment to his old comrades who love him. He worthily wears the Cross of Honor presented to him, and is seldom seen without it. He was severely wounded in the war, and will carry with him to his grave the scars of many battles.

Every man, woman and child in this part of the county is a warm friend of Mr. Flowers, and wherever he goes he leaves sunshine in his wake, and all are glad to see him.

L. F. ALFORD.

Kenly, N. C., Dec. 26, 1910.

The foregoing, which appeared in Wednesday's News and Observer, will be read with much interest by the many friends of Mr. Flowers. He is one of The Herald's best friends, having renewed his subscription this week to May, 1912. Mr. Flowers has been a faithful church member for almost a half century, and he says that he finds his greatest pleasure in attending church services. He has a fine record and The Herald wishes that he may enjoy many more years of usefulness and pleasure.

New York city has made a profit of \$20,000 out of marriage licenses this year.

"Do you and your wife agree?" "Oh, yes, always—at least, I do."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

After 20 years' service in a Chicago hotel, two waiters have bought out the proprietor, paying \$1,000,000.

A THOUGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR.

BY A. VERMONT.

Shall the world be better the next year, because of your presence in it? Your home happier, your community more uplifted? Here is a New Year's resolve, which, imperfect as it is, may have a meaning for you.

Resolved, That for our presence, our wives, our children shall walk in the golden sunlight of happy peace; that because of our word of cheer, our friends shall shoulder more gladly the burden of life; that for our gentleness, our enemies shall forget their hatred. That for our smile, the poor shall be rich, that because our hearts are warm, little children shall shout with crystal gladsome voices. That our hand shall kindly rest on the neck of the animal, that plows our field. That our dog shall nestle at our feet, in simple faithful companionship. That in deed and thought, we shall love the great Giver of Time and Years, and that we shall be Brother unto Man. That we shall gather with full hands, the brightness of our souls, and shed it on our world. That we shall be brave in life's hard battles, and fight the bitterest fight, with the calmest mind, trusting that one Great, Immensely-loving God, has and holds us in the palm of His Hand. . . .

BENSON NOTES.

Benson, Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Britt are spending the holidays with their parents at Clinton.

Mr. Wm. Canaday and sisters, Misses Emily and Julia, spent a few days at Duke recently.

Mr. Ralph Canaday has accepted a position with the Patterson Drug Co., at Wilson.

Mr. Fulton Hall, Register of Deeds of Cumberland County, visited his brothers, Messrs E. L. and J. L. Hall, here this week.

Mr. J. P. Johnson, of Dunn, is assisting Mr. Slocumb in the Farmers' Commercial Bank in the absence of Mr. Britt.

Of those who have been visiting out of town we note, Mr. Jesse McLamb, a Clayton; Mr. Busbee Pope, at Dunn, Miss Mattie Smith and Ora Pool, at Smithfield.

Of those visiting in town recently we note, Miss Meta Holder, of Wendell; Miss Cleo and Willie Lou Baucum, of Dunn; Miss Pearl Baker and Neva Barbour, of Four Oaks; Mr. John "naucum, of Littleton, Mr. Robt. E. Smith, of Moyock; Mr. and Mrs. George B. Justice, of Louisburg; and Misses Floy Johnson and Nellie Lassiter, of Spilona.

Of those who are spending the holidays home from school, we note, Miss Maude Hall, from Peace; Miss Beatrice Goodrich, from Red Springs; Miss Margurite Justice, from Littleton; and Messrs Almon and Ezra Parker, of Chapel Hill.

An Axe Helve on His Head.

On Wednesday night of this week, two young men were at the store of the Farming and Mercantile Company, in Cleveland township, and had a dispute. Ceba Johnson, one of them, bought an axe helve, and stepping up behind Daille Barbour, the other of the two, struck him a heavy blow on the head which is said to have cracked his skull. He is in a critical condition and it is said that nothing saved him from instant death except a heavy corduroy cap. It is said that Johnson was drinking and that after he had struck Barbour he went immediately home. Mr. Johnson had a trial Thursday morning before Mr. F. T. Booker, and was bound over to Court. Both young men are of good families.

A Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank the ladies of Smithfield for the nice Christmas dinner which was sent to the inmates of the County Home, Christmas eve; also for the bounty of nice fruit and confectioneries. We feel thankful that they think enough of the poor and afflicted to remember them on such an occasion. May God shower His richest blessings on each one of them, is our earnest desire. And when done with them in this world, we feel sure that His reward will be great.

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Stephenson, Keepers of Co. Home.

Gulley-Wooten.

Clayton, Dec. 28.—The home of Prof. M. H. Wooten, of Magnolia, N. C., was the scene of a beautiful wedding, when at three-thirty o'clock Tuesday, December 27th, 1910, Mr. Charles G. Gulley, of Durham, N. C., led to the altar Miss Inez Wooten, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Prof. and Mrs. M. H. Wooten, who was recently elected superintendent of the public schools of Duplin county.

Promptly at the appointed time the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march announced the approach of the couple and attendants to the parlor, where Rev. P. L. Clark, of Clinton, N. C., was in waiting to pronounce the words that made them man and wife, using the ring ceremony.

First came the ring bearer, little Miss Theo Lola Wooten, the ten-year-old sister of the bride, dressed handsomely in pink silk. The groom then entered from the door accompanied by his best man, his brother-in-law, Mr. Riley R. Gulley, of Clayton, N. C. Last came the bride from the hall, leaning on the arm of her father, who gave her away.

The bride was handsomely gowned in a Copenhagen blue travelling suit. The groom wore the conventional black.

The wedding march was beautifully rendered by Miss Allie Swinson, of Magnolia.

The groom is bookkeeper for the Golden Belt Mfg. Co., of Durham, N. C., while the bride is supervisor of music in the Durham schools. Many handsome presents attest the popularity of the couple, one being especially note-worthy—a town lot in the thriving city of Greensboro, N. C., located in a valuable part of the city. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome pearl brooch.

The parlor was tastefully decorated for the occasion with holly.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Gulley left for Wilmington and other points after which they will return to the groom's father's, in Clayton, before returning to Durham.

The out of town guests were: Mrs. Fred Hines, of Lake City, S. C., a sister of the bride, Mr. A. H. Wooten, of Richmond, a brother of the bride, Miss Inez Gulley, of Clayton, sister of the groom, Mrs. Chas. M. Jones, of Maysville, Ky., Miss Raynor and Miss Martha Raynor, of Kingston, and a few friends of the family in Magnolia also witnessed the marriage.

Mr. Gulley is to be congratulated in winning such a charming and accomplished bride.

NIGHT SCHOOL.

We are trying to organize a Night School. Are you interested? If so, come to The Herald office, Friday, 30 December, at 8 P. M., sharp.

IRA MEDLIN,
HORACE EASON,

THE HAPPENINGS IN CLAYTON

NEW METHODIST PASTOR HOLDS FIRST SERVICE.

Convicts Given Feast by the Ladies of the Town Monday. Other Matters of Interest.

Clayton, Dec. 29.—Hon. Ashley Horne, left Tuesday morning for Greensboro and Richmond, Va., on business matters.

Mr. Hugh A. Page is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. J. E. Page.

Mr. Swade Barbour, of University of North Carolina, and Mr. Roger Barbour, of Bingham School, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Barbour.

Miss Ellie Whitley who is teaching in Wilders this winter, is here to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Mary Whitley.

Miss Ava Wall, who is teaching in Selma this winter, is the guest of friends in the city this week.

Miss Swannoh Horne, is home for the holidays from Hollands Institute, Va.

Rev. C. W. Robertson conducted his first services here at the M. E. Church last Sunday morning and night. Large audiences greeted him at both services and his impression on his hearers was one that will last.

The children of the M. E. Sunday School was given a Christmas tree at the church last Friday night. It was quite an enjoyable occasion and especially for the little folk.

The members of the Baptist Sunday School were given a delightful evening last Tuesday at the Christmas tree at the Baptist church.

Mr. Edison Hamilton, one of Clayton's progressive young men and Miss Fannie Johnson, of Garner, were married at the home of the bride's parents last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton are for the present the guest of Mr. Hamilton's parents here.

Mr. Riley R. Gulley returned Wednesday from Magnolia, N. C., where he went to attend the Gulley-Wooten nuptials.

The convicts on the Clayton roads were given a picnic last Monday. Fruits, cakes, nuts, and numerous other things were taken to the camp in the suburbs of town and a royal feast was spread for the enjoyment of these law breakers and was enjoyed by them to its fullest extent. Among those who so graciously contributed to this feast we note the following: Mrs. Ashley Horne, Mrs. Jesse Hilliard, Mrs. C. M. Thomas, Miss Madge Barnes, Mrs. A. Creech, Mrs. Dr. McCullers, Mrs. R. H. Gower, Mrs. C. W. Carter, and Mrs. G. Clem Bryan; Messrs. Y. M. Holland, H. L. Barnes, W. I. Holland, Clayton Fruit Co. and P. A. Holland.

TWO ARE KILLED IN SWAIN.

Reckless User of Gun Causes Double Tragedy in Brawl.

Asheville, Dec. 26.—A double tragedy was enacted at Dorsett's postoffice in Swain county, several miles from Bryson City, Saturday evening when Oscar Clark shot and almost instantly killed D. J. Calhoun and then turning his pistol on the slain man's brother, J. P. Calhoun, shot him twice, inflicting wounds from which he died at the Mission hospital here last night.

According to the best information obtainable to-day a number of men had gathered near the postoffice where there was some drinking and carousing, among the number being Clark, an unmarried man probably 30 years of age. It is said that Clark was amusing himself by standing on a porch and with revolver in hand shooting over the heads of some men not far distant. D. J. Calhoun, familiarly known in that section as Dan Calhoun, a married man 25 years of age, went to Clark and remonstrated with him, insisting that he stop the shooting. The two became involved in a wordy battle, when Clark suddenly drew his pistol and shot Dan Calhoun, the wound causing almost instant death.

—Charlotte Observer.

Mr. Ernest Ward of Rowland spent Sunday and Monday in the city, the guest of his cousin, Mr. E. F. Ward.

HOLIDAY NEWS IN PRINCETON

LOCAL ITEMS TOLD FOR THE HERALD READERS.

Christmas Trees and Entertainments And Other Personal Items of Interest.

Miss Lena Woodard, a student at Blackstone Female Institute, Virginia, is spending the holidays at home.

Messrs. Willie Joyner, Waverly Edwards and John Holt, students at Mar's Hill College, are at home for the holidays.

Mr. Willie P. Sugg, of the A. & M. College, is taking Christmas at home.

Mr. Bud Farthing, of Durham, is visiting relatives in town.

We are very much pleased to know that our young doctor, John Holt, is gaining rapidly on the road to his sheepskin, and it's only a question of time when it will be Doctor John.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKinne and Mr. and Mrs. David McKinne and children, of Louisburg, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. McKinne.

Mr. John A. Massey, of Smithfield, is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. C. L. Gurley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur C. Massey have been spending the holidays with relatives at Kenly.

Capt. W. M. Pettway and wife, of Goldsboro, are visiting at Mr. Ed. A. Holt's this week.

An old time oyster shucking and other refreshments too numerous to mention were served by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Perry to a party of invited guests Christmas night.

Mr. Geo. Vail and sister, Miss Bessie Vail, of Bule's Creek, have been spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell. Miss Bessie is one of the loveliest specimens of womanly beauty. Mrs. Howell gave the visitors several trips in his automobile.

Miss Vernona Barham, Miss Ada Brannan and Mr. Hunter Brannan, of Thanksgiving, are visiting at Mrs. Boaz Woodard's.

Mrs. Ricks, of Rocky Mount, is visiting at Mr. W. M. Rose's.

Messrs. Hubert and Oscar Hollings, of Durham, are spending the holidays with their parents.

Mr. Hubert Fitzgerald, of Trinity College, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Bertha Wellons gave a party to all the young people on Monday evening and all report having had a delightful time.

Mr. Malcom McKinne gave a Christmas tree to the grandchildren of Mr. D. E. McKinne, and of course, it was loaded with good things.

Mr. Carl Gardner, of Grabtown, was among the visitors in town Monday.

Mr. George Gurley's baby fell into the fire and one hand was burned off a few days ago.

Mrs. Pearson is seriously ill. She is one of the oldest persons in this community.

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Princeton, Dec. 28th.

Methodist Sunday School Christmas Tree.

The Methodist Sunday School gave a Christmas tree Tuesday night at Sanders League Hall to the young scholars of the school. The exercises were opened with prayer by Mr. T. R. Hood, Superintendent of the School, after which were songs and recitations by some of the little girls. The presents were then taken from the beautifully decorated tree by Mr. Robert Wellons and distributed by Miss Bettie Watson and Walter Rand. After all the presents had been distributed, a party was given to all the children present. After enjoying many games, refreshments were served.

She—"They are awfully in love with each other. I suppose they'll finish up by getting married." He—"Yes, that will be their finish all right!"—New York Telegram.

Judge Lamar, of Georgia, appointed a United States Supreme Court Justice by President Taft, is a second cousin of the notable Lucius Q. C. Lamar, of Mississippi, who was appointed to the Court by President Cleveland in 1888, and who served there until his death, in 1893.