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BUSINESS LOCALS.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

--Our news items had to be boiled down short and sweet this week--we didn't have space to burn.

—The minstrel show tomorrow night is the talk of the town and there'll be lots of folks out to see it.

—The market of Williams and Dellinger has changed hands, the purchaser being Mr. J. H. Green of Cleveland.

—There was an up-to-date eclipse of the moon Tuesday night from 6 to 8 o'clock. It was noticed by a great many on our streets.

—Monday reminded one of a busy Saturday evening. There were lots of people in town and a good deal of trade went on throughout the day.

—Was ever a finer frost seen than that of Monday morning? Next thing to a snow. And cold?—oh, 'twas a fine morning, that's what!

—The Dr. Tayler livery stable has been sold by J. E. Fraley, of High Point, to J. A. Armstrong, of Pilot Mountain, who will be in before long with his stock. Mr. Wade Dellinger is his manager.

--The special proposition for December is closed. If you failed to take advantage we are sorrier for it than any one else. What is THE GAZETTE worth now? Two dollars a year, but we charge only $1.50.

—It was twelve years last night since the editor was married. We always bank, of course, upon folks who get married during Christmas, and we renew our compliments and good wishes to the present season's crop of new house-keepers.

—The action of the town council in forbidding the explosion of fire works in the corporation this year was hard on the little folks, but it was right and merits the grateful applause of everybody who enjoys Christmas for the comfort it brings.

—Services at the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be conducted by Rev. W. M. Jones, of Maxton, N. C. He is regarded as among the possibilities, while the church is looking for a new pastor, and his visit here is by invitation for the purpose of establishing mutual acquaintance.

—If the boys think it a hardship that they couldn't shoot their fire-crackers in town, they must remember that it might have been worse. We read that in a certain New Hampshire town the law prohibits the girls from walking with the boys on the street. When they want to perambulate together, they have to go outside the corporation.

—Where is THE GAZETTE office? Well, it's right over the post office. Take the stair-way between the post-office and the First National Bank, and when you get to the top turn to the left and there we are! You needn't knock, just walk right in. If you are on any ordinary mission we shall be glad to see you, but if you want to lick the editor, please leave your card giving date when you will call again, also your weight in pounds.

—"Bab," whose clever articles have often appeared in THE GAZETTE, is dead. She died early Tuesday morning of pneumonia, and grief over her dead mother. Their home was in New York City. Her real name was Mrs. Isabel Mullon. She was the widow of a young Irishman, who died soon after marriage, was a member of the Sloan family in Maryland and a Catholic in faith. She was also the "Ruth Ashmore" of the *Ladies Home Journal*.

—The "business local" by Mr. Armstrong about laundry complaints last week read like an intimation that Mr. J. H. Gallant, the manager, wasn't managing every thing all right. Nothing of the sort is true and nothing of the sort was intended. The notice was dashed off in the rush of Christmas hurry and nobody noticed how it sounded until it appeared in the paper. No reflection was intended upon anybody. The idea of the proprietor and the manager is that they will be glad to receive complaints of any unsatisfactory work or any helpful suggestions from their patrons, so that they may make any changes or additions in machinery and equipment necessary to keep squarely up-to-date.

A Happy Family.

Newspaper men are always interested in their readers, and in THE GAZETTE'S case; its readers are regarded as a great family gathering about the fireside every week to look over its pages and discuss the news it contains. Among these is one family in particular of which THE GAZETTE has a right to be proud and in which it feels much honored. It is the family of Mr. J. M. Huffstetler, of Begonia. True, they do not all live under the same roof, but they are yet of the same family. Mr. Huffstetler has four sons and one daughter with families of their own. The sons live near the old homestead and the daughter, Mrs. R. F. Hatchford, lives near South Point. These six families take a copy of THE GAZETTE apiece—six in all—and have been taking it for we cannot tell how long. And they are all good Democrats. The aged parents have reared a family of whom they may be truly proud in their declining years, and there is no happiness which we could wish for ourselves which we do do not wish for them.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by J. E. Carry & Co.

PERSONAL MENTION.

--Prof. Separk returned from Raleigh Tuesday on the noon train.

--Miss Jessie Dean, of Spartanburg, is visiting her friend, Miss Nell Smyre.

—Mr. Sam Shuford is visiting his friend, Mr. Loyd Thompson, at Stanley Creek.

--Mrs. Jno. F. Love and children are visiting her mother, Mrs. Bryan, in Spartanburg.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Warren are spending the week with Mrs. Warren's parents in Shelby.

—Mr. W. Y. Warren and sister Miss Mary are on a delightful holiday visit to friends in Shelby.

—Messrs. Lawrence Beal and McDowell Walton are at home from Oak Ridge for the holidays.

—Mr. Sam Robinson, of Davidson College, is among Gastonia's home-coming holiday visitors.

—Messrs. Louis and Paul Bernhardt spent a few days with their friend, Mr. J. Lander Gray, this week.

—Mrs. Jasper Smith is off to Asheville for the rest of the holidays, guest of her son Mr. Jim Bynum.

—Master Edward Pegram is enjoying a well earned holiday with his uncle, Mr. J. B. Pegram, in Yorkville.

—Mr. D. W. Thomas, of Spartanburg, spent a few days in Gastonia this week, the guest of Mr. W. S. Shelor.

—Mr. De Ormand, son and daughter, of Corsicana, Texas, are visiting in Gastonia, guests of Mrs. J. C. Gullick.

—Mrs. J. T. McDill and little May are off on their annual visit to Mrs. McDill's parents in Inverness, Florida.

—Misses Abbie and Winnie Barron, of Charlotte, are visiting friends in Gastonia, the guests of Miss Mamie Love.

—Miss Shelton Wells spent a short while in Gastonia this week. She left Tuesday morning for a visit to Lincolnton.

—Miss Sue Gallant, principal of the high school at Zeb, is happily spending the holidays with the home folks in Gastonia.

—Mrs. C. H. Durham who stayed behind to enjoy the holidays with her family left Monday to join her husband in Asheville.

—Misses Della Atkinson of Richburg, S. C., and Mamie Steele, of Rock Hill, S. C. visited Mrs. Wm. Whyte a few days this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Keith Gordon, of Morganton, are visiting Mrs. Gordon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Walton at the Falls House.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Love, gave an elegant tea Tuesday evening complimentory to the members of Mr. Love's Sunday School class.

—Mr. Henry Ferguson came up from Due West College to spend Christmas with his friends Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wilson. His home is in Russellville Arkansas.

--Misses Mary Bernhardt, of Salisbury, and Maud Brown, of Concord, are spending the Christmas holidays in Gastonia, guests of their friend Miss May Gray.

—Mrs. A. T. Latta, of Monroe, arrived Tuesday for a week's visit to her son, Mr. W. L. Head and her daughters, Mrs. Garrison and Mrs. John Thomas.

—Mr. R. H. Carroll, formerly with the New York Racket, is now with Mr. T. B. Lashley and holds the fob down while Mr. Lashley takes a little holiday at his old home in Wake.

--Mr. G. R. Spencer and family came home from McCall, S. C., for the holidays. We were glad to see him looking well and to learn that he is doing well at his South Carolina home.

—Miss Nannie Bradley came home last week from Saluda to spend the holidays. She will return Monday accompanied by her brother, Mr. Wesley Bradley, who will enter the same school.

—Mr. W. E. Thompson, of Thomasville, was a Christmas guest of his brother, Mr. L. Thompson. On his arm was the badge of Masonic mourning for his departed brother-Mason, Mr. J. H. Mills.

—Mr. J. J. Warren, of Gaffney, was a welcome visitor at THE GAZETTE office Monday morning. He was on his way back to Gaffney after a brief but pleasant holiday visit to relatives and friends in Gastonia.

—Messrs. Roe and Blair McLaughon spent a well earned vacation with their brother, Mr. Edgar McLaughon, in Norwood. The boys enjoyed to the brim the fine bird and rabbit hunting they had during their happy trip.

—Mr. W. Gordon Brown, of the High Point *Enterprise*, was a welcome caller at THE GAZETTE office this week. He, with his family, spent the holidays here as guests of his father in-law, Mr. L. Thompson. Mr. Brown returned home this morning.

—Mrs. Margaret Glenn paid THE GAZETTE office her annual visit last Friday to renew subscriptions for herself and her two daughters. It is a regular thing for this good mother to do. These daughters will thus get a Christmas present every week in the year.

—Mr. J. J. Wilson, of Gould, was in to see us Saturday on his annual renewal trip. His stay was short, for it was ten miles to his home and, he added, "there's only one mud-hole." The wet weather has truly put the red roads in a heavy fix. Mr. Wilson also mentioned another matter which he rightly hopes the legislature will remedy. He owns some stock in the Clover Cotton Mill which is taxed in South Carolina and on which he is also required to pay tax in this State.

McADENVILLE WINS.

Mr. Jasper N. Roberts Gets First Prize —Mr. T. L. Allison, of South Point the Second.

The prize contest is closed and the winners are Mr. Jasper N. Roberts, ex-mayor of McAdenville, and Mr. T. L. Allison, of South Point.

Mr. Robert's list was 23, and Mr. Allison's a close second with 20 even.

Mr. Roberts has chosen the talking machine and Mr. Allison will have his choice between the saddle and lap robe.

Other contestants did well, as follows:

Mr. C. E. Huffstettler, Begonia...16
Mr. T. M. Pentson, Gastonia.....15
Mr. J. M. Dawnum, Dallas..... 11
Mr. R. N. Holland, Gastonia.....7

There were a number of others who came in with clubs of four names and five dollars, renewing their own subscriptions.

We give the hand of congratulation to the winners and our sincerest thanks and good wishes to all for their kindly and energetic interest in their county paper.

Morrow-Brady.

Mr. J. W. Morrow, a bachelor in the Hanna block, has taken unto himself a better half—Miss Laura Brady, of Iredell county. They were married at the bride's home on Wednesday of last week and came to Gastonia Thursday. Our best wishes.

A Pound a Day.

A hog that is a whopper is reported by Mr. Wesley Bradley. He slaughtered a porker yesterday which weighed 603 pounds net at 20 months old. If that isn't a pound a day for the porker's entire life it is most. If any of our readers want to go Mr. Bradley one better, why the ring is open.

Happy at Eventide.

There was a twilight marriage at the residence of Esquire A. C. Stroup last Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. They were Mr. Thos. C. Bright and Miss Minnie Starnes, both of Gastonia. They were most hospitably received by the 'squire, who tied with neatness and dispatch the knot they wanted tied, so that they came away rejoicing. And here's wishing their joy may be abundant and of long life.

Forty-Seven Marriage Licenses.

The record appears to have been broken by new Register of Deeds Carpenter in the matter of issuing marriage licenses during the present month. Up to sunset yesterday Mr. Carpenter had issued 42 permits to couples who wanted to keep house together. Added to these are 5 papers issued by Mr. Ormand before his retirement, making 47 in all for 28 days. That's double-blessedness with a rush.

J. R. Lewis, Treasurer.

As was generally expected last week, Mr. J. R. Lewis was elected county treasurer by the board of commissioners on last Monday to succeed the late W. T. Henderson. He was the business associate and intimate friend of the deceased treasurer. This and other circumstances made it but natural to suppose that the feelings of the board would turn to Mr. Lewis as the logical official successor of his lamented partner in business. Mr. Lewis is well known throughout the county and will make an efficient and acceptable officer.

Candidate for Farm Manager.

It is not often that we hear of anybody's being a candiate for the position of farmer or of a good man's being a candidate for the penitentiary. Col. Robert L. Abernethy of River Bend, is not precisely a candidate for either of these, but is, we learn, a candidate for the position of manager of one of the penitentiary farms. He is a great hustler before daylight and after dark, and amply demonstrates his ability to manage a state farm by successfully managing one of his own. Col. Abernethy is among the few farmer subscribers to THE GAZETTE who remit their subscriptions by check. He has some strong backing in his efforts and we hope to see his application receive the favorable consideration which it merits.

--Mr. J. A. Winn, of Atlanta, and Mr. J. M. Ramsey, of Hickory, are guests of their friend, Mr. Robert Love

—Mr. T. N. Kendrick spent the holidays at home, returning Tuesday with a list of subscribers for THE GAZETTE.

—Judge W. P. Bynum, of Germantown, was an agreeable caller at THE GAZETTE office Saturday on his way to Dallas on business.

--Mr. P. O. Grist of THE GAZETTE'S force enjoyed Christmas so well in Yorkville that he didn't turn in for duty until this morning.

—Mrs. Jno. Kelly and two daughters, of Charlotte, spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Shelton, returning yesterday afternoon.

—Mr. A. A. McLean has as his guest this week Chief Yeoman W. W. Vick of the United States Navy. He saw service on the Nantucket during the war with Spain and is one of the fortunate survivors of typhoid fever.

—Mr. S. N. Boyce was a pleasant caller at THE GAZETTE office Tuesday morning. He spent his holidays here and at Gaffney and was on his way back to his post at McAdens. Mrs. Boyce and the children remain for a few days at Capt. Holland's.

—Miss Maggie Matthews, of Belmont, was in the stream of visitors who called yesterday to renew their subscriptions to THE GAZETTE. Miss Maggie is still actively engaged in teaching—a work she loves and enjoys as few other teachers do. It was interesting to hear her call the roll of prominent business and professional men in Gastonia and Gaston county, whose success in life is partly due to the good lickings she gave them when they were boys. Miss Maggie is against the present school law and wants to see the legislature change it.

WEDDING NEAR OLD FURNACE.

Rev. J. J. Kennedy Closes His 18th Year of Service at Long Creek—Personal and Other Items.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

OLD FURNACE Dec. 28—Christmas passed off very quietly. As usual there was some drinking and rowdyism among the folks who like that sort of thing.

It was our pleasure Sunday to hear a Christmas sermon from the Long Creek pulpit by that venerable minister, Rev. J. J. Kennedy. It was a noble effort and appropriate for the occasion. That service finished up his eighteenth year for that congregation. If his health would permit, those people would be glad to have him serve them as a regular pastor.

Mr. Wm. Arrowood is spending the holidays with his son John, in Rutherfordton.

Mr. Frank Hovis of Oakland High School, Gastonia, is spending his week's vacation with his home folks and friends.

Mrs. Sallie Price and her daughter Miss Nannie, of Steel Creek, are visiting among the "Ormands."

Commissioner White and Squire Jacob Kiser attended the called commissioner meeting in Dallas yesterday.

Mr. Alonzo Blackwood and Miss Ella Oates were married at the residence of the bride's brother on Christmas day, J. Kiser Esq. officiating.

By the same on Wednesday 21st at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Manney, Mr. Chas. Witherspoon and Miss Ina Manney.

Mr. John M. Torrence of Long Shoals, spent Christmas at home.

John Henry oldest son of Mr. J. M. Weaver is sick, not expected to live; he has never been stout.

John Vandyke is lawing the Neels for land again.

Little Salem, Sunny Side, and Turkey Hill Schools just move right on, giving no holiday. Right.

Mr. R. C. Ormand, who has been in California for the last year, is expected home about New Year.

Mr. Leon Arrowood is up from South Carolina for a few days.

The Clemmers are not all stock traders; two are millers. Mr. W. L. Clemmer is now at Mr. R. A. White's and his brother will succeed Mr. J. M. Weaver as miller at the Double Brook Roller Mills next week.

Mr. John Dameron is visiting relatives and friends in Rutherfordton.

Mr. Frank White, of Gastonia, made a flying trip home today.

There was an interesting church wedding at Concord church at five o'clock this evening. Mr J. L Kiser, son of Mr. Michael Kiser, was the groom and Miss Julia Ealker, daughter Mr. Miles Ealker, was the bride, while Rev. A. R. Surratt officiated. A fine reception and wedding supper takes place at the home of the bride's father tonight. Our best Christmas wishes go with these and all the other couples who have celebrated the holidays in honey-moon happiness.

Torrence-Holland Marriage.

There was an interesting marriage at Chapel Lutheran Church last Sunday morning at which Mr. Clip Torrence, a sprightly widower, and Miss Mary Holland, daughter of Mr. Frank Holland, were the happy contracting parties. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. W. J. Boyer, of Mt. Holly. Our best wishes and congratulations are extended.

Killed 72 Rabbits.

The force at Long Brother's turned out almost unanimously for a big rabbit hunt Monday. It was a fine frosty morning and game was plentiful on the Jimmerson Robinson place. During the day the party of five—Messrs. Ed. Henderson, and Rob Long, and Ed and John Jenkins—killed 72 rabbits. Of these, 20 each were killed by Messrs Henderson Long and Ed Jenkins, who were contending for the county championship. They brought the game home, a hack full, and distributed a generous portion of it among their neighbors.

Spartanburg Tragedy.

Mr. John Sevier was shot to death in Spartanburg Tuesday morning, by his employer J. K. Stuckey. He was a brother-in-law of Capt. R. L. Durham and his motherless and now fatherless children who are known and loved in Gastonia where they lived with Capt. Durham have the sympathy of their numerous friends in their sudden and most tragic sorrow. The dispute occurred over a settlement. Mr. Sevier lived long enough to tell how it was, and it is said to have been without provocation. He will be buried at Rutherfordton. Capt. Durham went to Spartanburg Tuesday night.

Mr. George Jenkins Hurt.

In a hard fall from a hack Tuesday morning Mr. George Jenkins sustained a most painful and possibly a permanent injury to his shoulder. He was driving Mr. J. D. Ragan and family to Dallas in a hack. At the Bradley cemetery hill the road was so rough and heavy that vehicles sought an easier way by driving around it through the timber. In this side-way the low axle struck a stump too high to pass over, with the result that a break occurred by which the horses were detached from the vehicle. The sudden impact, with the jerk of the reins, threw George violently over the dash board, landing him upon his shoulder. The bones in or about the socket joint were broken, and has caused him excruciating pain ever since. He suffers intensely.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. E. Carry and Company.

OUR HARDIN LETTER.

Two Sad Deaths—Marriage of Mr. Jane Wilson and Miss Friday—Christmas Visitors and Pleasures.

HARDIN, N. C., Dec. 27.—It is with heartfelt sorrow that we are called upon to report the death of two of our neighbors and friends. Mrs. J. M. E. Summey died last Wednesday morning and was buried Thursday in the Salem graveyard She was a consistent member of the Methodist church, and leaves a husband and a number of children who mourn her loss, besides a great many relatives and friends. Mr. John Friday, son of M. D. Friday, Esq., preceded Mrs. Summey a few days, and was interred in the Friday family graveyard near Harden Cotton Mills. He leaves a young wife and several little children and a host of friends and relatives.

While at some homes there is loneliness and sorrow, we find others with the Christmas wedding bells ringing, full of mirth. On last Thursday evening at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. John Friday, Sr., Miss Lou Friday and Mr. Jane Wilson of Respaville were united in marriage by Rev. W. A. Deaton. On Friday they, with a number of others had a lively drive through the "mud" to the groom's parents in Lincoln county.

The young people are now enjoying themselves giving and receiving presents, attending Christmas trees and visiting.

Misses Eula, Edna, and Addie Lutz, with Miss Eva Edwards, spent the evening and night merrily with their former school teacher, Miss Callie Payseur.

Mr. A. U. Stroup and family of Hickory, are visiting relatives on Hoyle's Creek and near Alexia.

Our energetic "mutual fire insurance" agent, Mr. J. H. Rutledge, who has been operating in Polk county, is now home with his family for a few days.

Rev. J. J. Payseur, of Concord, paid his parents a flying visit before entering the Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. G. I. Payseur is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. G. L. Long near the Lincoln Cotton Mills.

A word to our Legislators a suggestion: 1st, cut down the appropriations to higher education and let all the children have a chance. 2nd, disfranchise those who will not pay their taxes.

I don't know whether an educational qualification is the right thing to do or not; I fear it is not.

Blacksmiths from Away Back.

At Belmont Mr. Murray Smith is the representative of a remarkable family of blacksmiths. His great-grandfather, his grand-father, his father, and himself—four generations—have all followed that trade and all the others had their shops within two miles of where Mr. Smith now holds forth in Belmont. The history of blacksmithing in this family reaches over a hundred years back, and as Mr. Smith is training a son to take his place it may reach right on a hundred years into the future. Here's wishing health and strength to Mr. Smith's right arm and great prosperity in his business.

Romantic Marriage.

Mr. J. Leak Carraway and Miss Mabel Glenn, daughter of Dr. E. F. Glenn, were married in Clover yesterday morning by Mr. Potts Sifford. It was a romantic affair. They have been devoted lovers ever since the groom was a schoolboy in knee pants and they were in school together. And all the world loves lovers, especially when they are true to each other. Tuesday night the groom and his two cousins, Mr. Frank Leak, of Greensboro, and Mr. Henry Gunn, of Arkansas, came in on the eleven o'clock train, hired a conveyance and set out to South Carolina. The bride was found seven miles beyond Clover at the home of her uncle Lawson Niell where she was visiting. They returned by way of Clover and were there married in the carriage. The party drove into Gastonia again just in time to see the morning train leave without them. They registered at the Falls House and received the congratulations of their friends during the day and went to Charlotte on the evening train, carrying with them the best wishes of all who know them.

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—AND—

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will not be complete without Cranberry Sauce for your meats and a can or two of Lemon Cling Peaches, Bartlett Pears, White Cherries, Apricots for desert. We have these things! And we have, too, that far-famed Plum Pudding, without which Xmas is no more than any ordinary everyday.

Edgar Love & Co.

Neck-wear

At Holland & Robinson's.

We sell other things—dry goods, dress goods, clothing, shoes, and all that. Neck-wear, of course, is only a single department in our line of gent's furnishings. But it is Neck-wear we will talk to you about to-day because in these Holiday times

It is Important.

Much depends upon neck-wear at any time. There can be no complete elegance in a man's dress without elegance in his neck-wear. When right, it sets off the entireman; when wrong, it spoils all. The kind we sell is

The Right Kind.

It is new. It is very elegant. It is stylish. With it you may dress in good taste, dress becomingly, and enjoy genuine comfort. Some of it is in our show window—but come in and ask about it, please; get prices, for instance.

Just a Word or Two More—

A few ladies' cloaks remain to go regardless of cost—don't mean to carry them over. A few overcoats, too, to go some way. And when you want shoes—we are the people.

HOLLAND & ROBINSON.

GASTONIA, N. C.

Fields and Hanson's Minstrels.

When you hear the exhilarating sound of Fields and Hanson's Grand Concert Band to-morrow and see the entire company on parade, you take it as a gentle reminder of the fact that it is time to purchase your tickets for the evening entertainment, which will, it is boldly claimed excel any thing yet seen here in minstrelsy. The programme is one succession of absolute novelties and timely hits and includes the new first part, an Evening with the Elks, The Golden Showers, a Spectacular March, The Grand Old Guard, The Magnificent Dancing Diversions and several other positive innovations, terminating with The Dance of Dawson City's 400.

Christmas Festivities.

It has been a gay season with the young folks and little folks. The Presbyterian Sunday school children enjoyed a Christmas castle at the Academy, and the A. R. P. children enjoyed a tree at their church. Both of these were Monday night. At Mr. J. F. Thompson's Miss Lillie Harris delighted her friends with a merry mystery party, while Monday night ushered in the mirthful drolleries of the tacky party, at which Mr. Hope Whyte and Miss Maggie Adams took the tacky prize, and a cake walk at which Dr. Lucius Glenn and Miss Lillie Harris were the winners. Last night there were other happy gatherings and throughout the holidays there were and will be yet many dinings.

Notice of New Advertisements.

Torrence, the Jeweler, gives the season's greetings to his customers.

Frost Torrence & Co. will sell you tickets to the Minstrel Show.

J. E. Carry & Co. return thanks to their customers and wish them a happy New Year.

The Appetite of a Goat

Is envied by all poor dyspeptics whose Stomach and Liver are out of order. All such should know that Dr. King's New Life Pills, the wonderful Stomach and Liver Remedy, gives a splendid appetite, sound digestion and a regular bodily habit that means perfect health and great energy. Only 25c. at J. E. Carry & Co's. drug store.

Begonia and Olney Weddings.

At Mr. J. L. Wilson's, near Begonia, there was a house-full of neighbors on hand to witness the marriage of Miss Mary Wilson, his daughter, to Mr. Reese Patrick, son of Capt. G. A. Patrick. Rev. G. A. Sparrow officiated and there were wedding feasts at both homes, but the bridal party was dined at Captain Patrick's, in sumptuous style. There were 50 or 100 people present.

At Olney, the church was crowded with friends and relatives, interested in the marriage of Mr. Parks Huffstetler, and Miss Bessie Torrence, daughter of Mr. J. Laban Torrence. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Sparrow at three o'clock p. m., and a merry wedding supper was given at the home of the groom's parents.

Mr. Frank Costner, who is as much a boy as any of them when there's a wedding on hand, attended both marriages and got back in time to tell us about them.

Our best wishes for a long and happy life go with these popular young people.

Fields and Hanson's Minstrels.

The Washington *Star* says: Now that the regular theatrical season is drawing to a close it is quite refreshing to see announced the coming of a reputable and legitimate high class attraction. It has been the custom of local managers in order to lengthen their season to engage inferior talent or combinations, thereby imposing on the theatregoing public, but much to the credit of Manager Kernan he has reserved his best bookings for the last of his season; in evidence of this, Fields and Hanson's Minstrels will be his attraction the coming week. This company is noted for the originality of its make up and the novelty and sterling merit of the performance furnished to its patrons.

He Pooled the Business.

All doctors told Benick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold by J. E. Carry & Co., Druggists.