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THE ELECTIONS.

As to the county returns, the table which we publish elsewhere tells the full story and it is eloquent with good news for Democracy. The work could not have been better done than it was done by Chairman Mason, and he deserves the thanks of the party.

Gaston gives Webb, for Congress, a majority of even 1,500, as Mr. O. P. Rhodes received one vote at Dallas which does not appear in the table.

Mr. A. W. Hoffman, for Surveyor, also received 11 votes which do not appear in the table.

Of the candidates not on both tickets, Mr. Miles Carpenter appears to have been the most popular. While Messrs. Cornwell and Lewis came under the wire with 2009 each, Mr. Carpenter went them one better and scored even 2100.

All the Congressional districts in North Carolina are safely Democratic except the tenth, where Gudgeon's claimed majority is uncomfortably small. Webb's majority in this district will exceed 5,000.

This State is Democratic by 65,000.

In New York State a Republican plurality of 143,000 two years ago was reduced to 10,000 or 12,000.

Young Child Dead.

Malcolm Shields, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley, died at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at their home just west of town. The child had been sick for five or six weeks with dysentery. The funeral was held at Olney Presbyterian church at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, the services being conducted by Rev. M. McG. Shields. The interment took place in the Olney cemetery where Mr. and Mrs. Bradley have another child buried.

Mrs. J. E. Adams Dead.

Monday night the gentle spirit of Mrs. Joseph E. Adams took its flight and the suffering body was at rest. For many months she had been a sufferer from cancer. Last spring she was taken to Atlanta, as noted at the time, but relief was only temporary. She was a Miss Lutz from Lincoln county and had been married 12 years. Her body was taken to Lincoln for burial. Her devoted husband has the sympathy of all his friends in his great affliction.

Program Little.

In Hickory Wednesday afternoon Mr. Ernest Program, of Stanley and Miss Blanche Little of Hickory were united in the blessed bonds of matrimony. He brought his bride home on the next train, and as they alighted Mr. Sanfiller and his bride, who was Miss Mason, boarded the train for their wedding trip. Miss Little was the accomplished music teacher at Stanley and Mr. Program is the Secretary and Treasurer of Stanley Cotton Mills. Both are deservedly popular, and have TEN GAZETTE'S sincere congratulations.

Old Time Text Books.

Among the "quaint and curious volumes of forgotten lore" it may perhaps be proper to class two books brought in this week by Mr. Eugene Linberger. One is Felt's Arithmetic, published in 1822, which was used in 1823, and the other is Bailey's Geography, published in 1825, and used in 1827. Both were the property of Mr. Eli Linberger, father of the present owner. The Geography gives the staple productions of North Carolina as "cotton, tobacco, tar, pitch, and staves." Bailey states that "Newbern is the capital, and Raleigh the seat of government." These books show their age and ought to be of some interest to the school boys and girls of to-day as indicating the difference between the books they now use and the books their grandfathers used.

DR. E. E. BOYCE DEAD.

Passed Away Suddenly and Peacefully Wednesday Morning—Buried Yesterday in the City Cemetery—Brief Sketch of his Life.

At the dawn of day Wednesday morning the angels called for Dr. E. E. Boyce, and when they winged their way back to the shining gates of eternal sunshine they bore with them a kindred spirit to their own. He did not know at what hour they would call, but he had been long expecting them, was even looking for them daily, and when the call came he was ready; it found in him most beautifully fulfilled the prayer of one who wished

To wear the garb of the world about my job, So loosely that a moment's will suffice To break the clasp and lay it down.

At last he knew the full meaning of these lines from a little poem he loved in life and had so often repeated:

I hear my Savior calling, The mortal hour has come, Angel bands are waiting To take me to my home, When Christ my Lord shall gather All his redeemed again His Kingdom to inherit, Good-night till then.

Dr. Boyce had been enjoying his usual health. Monday he dined at Dr. J. C. Galloway's and attended the minister's conference there that afternoon. Tuesday he appeared as well as usual, but in the afternoon while giving some directions to



Thomas Kirkland, a colored man employed about the house, he became unsteady, stumbled, and would have fallen but for the hired man's prompt assistance.

In a few moments Dr. Boyce quite recovered and said to the servant, "I shall not be with you much longer, Thomas." Tuesday night he gave these parting directions: "Thomas, gather your tools together to-night, and in the morning, early, clear off my cemetery lot. I do not know how long I shall be with you, and I want to have everything ready. Clear it off early, Thomas, before you come in for other duties."

The faithful servant did as he was bidden, and when he came in at 9 o'clock and asked to see Dr. Boyce, he learned that he was dead—had passed away even while the servant was clearing off the cemetery lot. About 5 o'clock Wednesday morning Dr. Boyce sustained an attack of something like a paralysis of the brain, to which he had been subject. Mrs. Boyce was aroused and by her ministrations apparently brought him through the attack. He spoke a few words and was soon resting quietly. He continued thus to rest until about six o'clock, when a long drawn breath attracted Mrs. Boyce's attention. She went to the bed and she was still—the long drawn sigh was the tired body's farewell to the spirit.

The sorrowful tidings quickly spread over the town and there was sadness in every face and sorrow in every heart.

Wednesday, Wednesday night and Thursday morning many of the family connections arrived. Messrs. Sam and Meek Boyce, sons, and Mrs. J. H. Kennedy, a daughter, were already in Gastonia. Wednesday night Rev. James Boyce, of Due West, the oldest son, with his wife and daughters, Misses Beasie and Jessie, and Mrs. Rebecca Wideman, a daughter, from Troy, S. C., accompanied by her daughter, Miss Jennie, from Due West, arrived on the train from the south. Other relatives also were present to attend the funeral: Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boyce, of Rock Hill; E. E. Boyce, of Lancaster; T. G. Boyce, Idaville, Tenn.; Miss Mattie Boyce, Due West; Mr. R. C. Bernas, of Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McGill, Kings Creek, S. C.; Mr. W. M. Faulkner, and Mrs. Margaret McElwee, Clark's Fork, S. C.; Mrs. Violet Faulkner and son Robert, of Clover, S. C.; Mr. Jno. S. Douglass, Columbia, S. C.; Capt. and Mrs. F. Dilling, of Kings Mountain; Dr. L. W. Hanner, and Prof. J. C. Reid, of Charlotte.

The Synod which met yesterday at Pisgah attracted quite a large number of Dr. Boyce's brethren and kindred, who had looked forward to seeing his kindly face again as one of the joys of the occasion. But they were called upon to mourn their loss in his death and to give thanks for his godly life. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, Dr. J. C. Galloway at

OFFICIAL VOTE OF GASTONIA COUNTY, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 1902.

Table with columns for Precincts, Chief Justice, Judges, Congress, Senate, House, Clerk, Registrar, Sheriff, Trias-Urker, Coroner, and County Commissioners (Democratic and Republican).

the Associate Reformed church yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. The active pall-bearers were the following: Jno. F. Love, J. F. McArver, T. W. Wilson, J. T. McDill, A. M. Whitesides, Geo. W. Hanna, Dr. O. G. Falls. There were twelve honorary pall-bearers, as follows: B. G. Bradley, A. M. Smyre, S. M. Morris, J. O. Holland, R. C. G. Love, S. E. Stewart, Edward Whitesides, Thomas Wilson, Senior, Captain F. Dilling, Jno. A. Douglass, Dr. W. H. Hoffman, W. Meek Adams.

The church was thronged and many gathered about the windows outside. Dr. Galloway announced after the singing of two psalms, and the scripture lesson read by Rev. J. S. Moffat, that there would be no funeral sermon, but instead, the brethren of him who was mourned by so great a gathering would be permitted one after the other to speak as their hearts should give them utterance.

Dr. R. G. Miller, from Sardis, the birth-place of Dr. Boyce, Dr. G. R. White, Rev. W. M. Hunter and many others paid brief and loving tributes to the memory of the dead.

Rev. J. S. Moffat quoted a sentiment uttered by "Father Boyce" at the Presbytery in Kings Mountain last spring: "Our chief business in life," said he, "is to learn how to live."

Dr. F. Y. Pressly said: "He was in truth a son of consolation."

Rev. C. B. Betts, of Lancaster, S. C., with much feeling referred to himself as being now the oldest minister in the Synod; the departure of his beloved brother caused him to feel sorrowful and lonely.

Rev. J. M. Garrison had found in Dr. Boyce one who was wonderfully near to God in his inner life. While Dr. Ross could tear up the Scriptures by analysis and lay them clear before the eye, Dr. Boyce seemed to make them clear by turning on a flood of light. It was equal to a sermon of exposition to hear him read the scriptures. And how he could pray!

Rev. A. T. Lindsay, pastor of Pisgah, spoke often with this departed Prince in Israel. He often said, "I am just waiting." Rev. J. W. Carson said: "I can truly say that Dr. Boyce was my spiritual father. He baptized me, he received me into the church, and he was my beloved spiritual counsellor."

Rev. A. G. Kirkpatrick loved the companionship of Dr. Boyce and sought it. I never talked with him without getting something from it. Dr. E. P. McClintock, of Newberry, S. C., led in a fervent prayer. The 27th Psalm, a favorite with the deceased, was sung, and then followed the last look at the calm kind face in the casket.

Dr. Boyce greatly loved his brethren in the ministry and was greatly loved by them in return. Though Rev. C. B. Betts was the oldest minister of the Synod present at the funeral, the oldest now in the Synod is Rev. I. G. McLaughlin, of Query's who is perhaps a year older than Dr. Boyce. He and Dr. Boyce had made a loving covenant years ago that the one who should outlive the other would conduct the funeral of his departed brother. Though Mr. McLaughlin was notified, he perhaps failed to get the sad message in time or was unable to come.

In the cemetery the body was laid to rest, and over the grave banks of roses and sweet flowers were laid by loving hands. After the benediction by Dr. Galloway, the people turned sorrowfully away.

Ebenezer Erskine Boyce was born at Saddle, in Mecklenburg county, Dec. 12, 1820, a son of Samuel Boyce and a grandson of James Boyce, who came from North Ireland to Pennsylvania, thence to North Carolina.

He was educated at Providence Academy near his home and at Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa., where he graduated in 1844. He rode horse-back to this school, sold the animal, completed his course in two years and rode horse-back home again. He was licensed to preach in 1847. A part of his early ministerial life was spent in

missionary work in what was then called the West—Kentucky and Tennessee. He made this trip also on horse-back.

In 1849 he became pastor of Bethany and Old Pisgah. In 1850 he married Miss Margaret Simonton, of Fairfield county, S. C., who, with her infant, was buried a year later.

On May 11, 1854, he married Miss Rachel McElwee, of York county, who survives him. To them were born eight children, of whom the living have been named above. Two sons died at Bethany under six years of age, and a beloved daughter, Mrs. Maggie Bernau, lies buried beside her father in the cemetery.

In 1865 the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred by his alma mater, Jefferson College (now Jefferson and Washington College), and also by Erskine College. About this time the Cleveland branch of Pisgah built Nebo church, which so greatly widened his field that he asked that his work be reduced. Nebo was dropped from his pastorate. Afterwards Nebo divided into Bethel and Kings Mountain pastorates.

The "Boyce farm" a few miles south of Gastonia, where Dr. Boyce lived so many years, is well known. It was sold a few years ago, and is now owned by Messrs. Alex Crawford and J. F. Purlsey. To gain better school facilities, Dr. Boyce moved to Kings Mountain. Later he moved to Gastonia where his remaining years were spent.

In December 1893 he retired from his pastorate, by reason of the weight of years. In January 1894 his work was taken up by the present pastor Dr. J. C. Galloway. The field in which Dr. Boyce began his pastoral work in 1849 now embraces four pastorates, and the two churches of Bethany and Pisgah have grown into eight: Kings Mountain, Bethel Bessemer, Crowders Creek, Gastonia, and Clover, and their, mother churches Bethany and Pisgah.

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