In the death of Thomas B. d; this country loses one of its big men and the greatest speaker the lower branch of ngress ever had.

TUESDAY, DEC. 9, 1902.

The attempt of Democrats to Some of the very men who howled the loudest at McKinley's "negro postmasters" are falling over one another to keep one in

At Marshville Academy in Union county a few years ago the history class voted on the mention: Who has been our estest President? It is a source of gratification to us and we know it will also stir gladness in the heart of our good friend, Mr. Rufus Carson, to note that ver Cleveland led all the rest and scored ten votes to George gton's three. The vote was Cleveland 10, Washington 3, Jefferson 3, and McKinley 2. Cleveland's name is likely to be written larger in history later on than it has been for the past few

The virtues of wise and timely speech and dignified and season ble silence are exemplified in Grover Cleveland as they have been exemplified in few men in all the world's history. The sin of foolish speech or intrusive writing cannot be charged ainst him. But says Judge P. L Osborne, "I firmly believe that if Mr. Cleveland's daughter, Ruth, were to have the croup he would try to cure her by writing her a letter." No truer or wittier than saying that when there's croup in Judge Osborne's family he gets a chestaut printed in the Charlotte Observer.

of president's message leaves set where we were before. of in my pretty well agreed in my account not midertake to fruste. and the property of the control of the control of the Case of the Of a cree error the state of the cree error to good behavior the cree error to fair the cree error the cree error to fair the cree error the required to submit to fair specifies. The question is so question is so question is so question in so question in so question in so question in the case of the best so question of the case of the question of where the case of the posterior of the case of

RECEPTION AT ALBEMARLE.

fr. and Mrs. Bivens Entertain in Henor of Miss Love, of Gasto-

Albemarie, Dec. 6.-Mr. and Mrs. Jas. D. Bivins were at ome last evening from 8 to 12

to a large number of invited guest, to meet their guest, Miss Maymie Love, of Gastonia. The house was brilliantly lighted and artistically decorated with green house ly decorated with green house plants and cut flowers. Mrs. Bivins was assisted in receiving by Mrs. J. M. Bivins, Mrs. John C. Leslie and Mrs. J. R. Price. During the evening dainty refreshments were served by the charming hostess, a sisted by Misses Sarah Heath and Dora Heatne. The leading feature of the evening was a literary the evening was a literary contest in which a rhyme was been the negro Sam Vick in the given to each guest with blanks to be filled in with the titles of well known books. After a spirited contest it was found that a number had answered correctly. The prize, a dainty souvenir pencil, was awarded by lot to W. B. Bell. When the tour for departure arrived all went away voting Mr. and Mrs. Bivins the most charming of entertainers. Those present's were; Misses Pattie McCain, Bess, Miller, Lula and Ada Kluttz, Verona Kirk, Bettie Lilly, Carrie Weaver, Rlls Ford. Sara Allen, Rugenia Rowe, Sallie Heath, Dora Hearne and Eather Milton; Messra. Free-man, Flowe, Horton, Patterson, Hutchison, Means, Lindsay, Klutts, Bell, Ross, Pemberton, Parker, John and Claude Heath, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Price, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leslie.

Paying the Wedding Fee.

Queer things happen in the experience of parsons. One of them, while out of town, was called back by a rush letter, telling him that a joyful couple the run last week by doubling on waited him be to made one. He account of one of their men being took the first train for home, and shortly after his arrival the two presented themselves, After the ceremony, the bride, who appeared to be the business partner, drew him aside and asked, "Parson, how much will this be?"

"Oh, I have no fixed charge for weddings," answered the clergyman. "Anything you

"Well, say," continued the blushing fair, "can you change a dollar?

And, as Hackleberry Finn says, "he done it." On another occasion a happy

pair met at a clergyman's house, and the bride got there first. In order to speed them on their rosy way as quickly as possible the clergyman started to fill out

the marriage certificate while waiting for the husband-to-be.

"And what is the first name of the groom?" he asked the

young woman.

"Well, now, I ain't just sure, but folks call him Al. I don't know whether it's Albert or Alfred. I'll have to wait and ask him."

So the paper could not be filled until the groom arrived. Mustn't she have caught bim in la gush ?

One of the most remarkable yearns of this sort is told of a clergyman in Brooklyn, and it is true. He was called to the door one evening by a stout pull at the door bell, and found there a sailor and his sweetheart. They and come to be married. performed the ceremony. At the end of it the sailor asked the amount of the damage, and was told there was no fixed charge. "Will a dollar do?" asked the sailor.

The mariner considered for a minute, pulled some money half way from his pocket, considered again and thrust it back. Then aid he: "I'll see how she wears, and if she's worth it I'll pay you

The clergyman laughed and the couple departed. A year or so later he heard a noisy hail in the street, and, io, there was the sailor evonsing to him with light

"Here's your dollar, parson,"
a cried. She's worth it."
People wouldn't believe that in
sovel or a play, but you can
alk the clergyman.

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KINGS MOUNTAIN NEWS.

141 Y. venience of the Gazette. Dec. 8th .- Policeman Hord has been displaced on our town force and J. L. Ferguson succeeds him. Mr. Furguson sold his interest in the King's Mountain News to accept this position. He sold to his partner, Leslie McGinnis, who will go it alone in the business.

Osroe Ormand of Old Furnace a flagman on the Southern has been at home several days on account of a badly sprained ankle He has much improved and returns to his work to-day.

Rev. W. R. Minter, of Shelby, will preach at Long Creek church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock a. m. at King's Mountain the same night. Those who hear him will be well repaid.

J. F. Allison and Will McAllister killed a company hog last Friday that netted 450 pounds. This is more meat than we town folks are accustomed to.

Vaccination has proceeded very nicely in our town during the past few days. Now and again persons are found who sternly oppose the work, but when it comes down to business they "bare the arm." Since compulsory vaccination began last Wednesday morning we guess near 1,000 persons have been vaccinated. The two county physicians and two of our resideut doctors have been kept busy. There have been no new cases brought to our notice since our last letter to THE GAZETTE.

Mr. Falls, of Fallston, is teaching the public school at the Lula and Cora mills. He is a good young man, a splendid teacher and the committee have been fortunate in securing his services.

Sorry to say that Mr. P. S. Baker has been quite sick during the week.

The young people generally attended the singing convention at Bethlehem yesterday. These

CHERRYVILLE.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Our deputy sheriff, E. L. Mc-Ginnas, has moved to Cherry-

Mr. William Hirt, of Forest City, and Mr. J. M. Lindsay, of Lawndale, former citizens of Cherryville, came down on the train this evening. Mr. Hirt brought his cornet and clarionet, and Mr. Lindsay his tuba, and assisted the Cherryville cornet band in rendering music at the oyster supper served at the Commercial hotel. This supper was given for the benefit of the Band. The supper was prepared by Mrs. S. S. Mauney and Mrs. M. L. Rudisill, and served by Misses Essie Rudisill, Julia Rudisill and Florence Carpenter. Quite a number of the people of Cherryville and community par-

took of the supper.

Mr. Grover Carpenter, a son of the late Perry Carpenter, died last Wednesday of typhoid fever. His mother and an older brother

have just recovered from the same disease. Bud Reynolds killed an otter ville and sold it to Luther

Dellinger for five dollars. Mr. James Beam, our livery man, went to upper Cleveland last. Tuesday and came back Wednesday evening bringing with him a pretty bride. We join the many friends of the

contracting parties in wishing them a long and happy life.

J. C. Houser, of Gastonia, is visiting relatives in Cherryville.

Mr. Rd Mason, of Dallas, was in town this great Callas, in town this week on business. It is amusing to hear Mr. Mason give his experience as school teacher, and his reason for not

wanting to be a school teacher.
[This world will never have as much sunshine in it as it ought to have until Ed Mason writes out for the papers a lot of things he knows and draws pictures to illustrate them.—THE GAZETTE.]

STANLEY.

Prof. Charles A. Mebane, who was billed to lecture last night on the graded school question, failed to reach here for some reason, but county Superintendent F. B. Rankin for two hours entertained our well filled school room. We don't know what the result will be, but next Theaday will decide.

The Rev. A. J. McKelway of Charlotte, will fill Rev. W. H. Wilson's appointment at Stanley to-morrow, the seventh.

The Rev. W. H. Wilson is still in Oklahoma but we will wager that in all the wide borders of the great West that he will not discover a finer plant of celery than can be seen in his own garden right here in Stanley to-day. Prof. Charles A. Mebane, who

own garden right here in Stanley to-day.

We plucked the last ripe to-matoes from the vine yesterday, and they were cool and crisp but superb mich new crop Iriah potatoes, and the galatable dish we decorated with structurery blossess from the open field.

LOWELL LOCALS.

December 8th-Mrs. R. T. Mitchell, of Derita, spent last week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hand. Mrs. J. K. Hand and Miss Nellie Roseman spent a few

days at Belmont last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Robinson and Miss Nellie Robinson, of Charlotte, spent Sunday with Mrs. M. A. Lineberger. Messrs. J. C. Landram and

A. R. Lenhardt spent Sunday at Belmont. Mr. Will Pierce, of Charlotte,

was a Lowell visitor Sunday.

Mrs. R. A. Miller is visiting friends and relatives in Charlotte.

Mrs. C. V. Pite, of Charlotte, visited home folks one day last week.

Prof. Alexander Graham, principal of the Charlotte Graded schools, spoke at the Academy Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock on the local taxation question. The election for the purpose of deciding whether or not Lowell shall ing whether or not Lowell shall have graded schools will be held

Tuesday aight. Miss Nellie Roseman entertained a number of young people with a sociable Wednesday night. The feature of the evening was a guessing contest en-titled a "Floral Love Story." Mrs. R. G. Mitchell won the prize.

Rev. M. H. Hoyle, former pastor of the Methodist church here, has gone to his new charge at Weddington, N. C.

The Baptist church will have a Christmas tree but the time for having it has not been an-

Sleep Gives Beauty.

Rest and sleep are the Sisters of Mercy who go about to smooth wrinkles away from women's foreheads and otherwise repair the ravages of too strennous days. The idea of constant occupation is all wrong. And the woman who has acquired the art of resting for it is art will be able to show in middle age a face luminous with life and youth when her industrious sister is

sere and gray.

The soft fingers of sleep are said to knit up the "tangled skeins of care."

My only complaint is that wo-men do not keep the knitter busy. It is a grave ailment that will not yield to sleep alone. But the wise medicine men say that only children and animals know how to yield absolutely to its influences. Men and women carry their walking worries into slumber and change it into a

harmful thing.
But watch a little chap rosy in his nap. His lips curve with smiles and now and then he bursts into laughter so full of mirth that you long to waken him and learn what it is all about.

The baby that laughs in his sleep will awaken good natured. But the sad old children of labor or trouble sleep with pain-drawn brows and their breath comes in sighs. For them there is no smiling, and rest is a stranger to their pillows. And, say the doctors because they fail to prepare for the excursion into the dreom country in the proper way. According to them, we may learn to lay aside our men-

last week on Beaver Dam Creek.
He brought the hide to Cherrybending of the will. A bright woman said to me the other day as we talked in the confidenceproducing steam room, "I felt myself becoming a vic-

tim of insomnia. I went to bed each night confident that I could not sleep, and lived up to the conviction. Then I tried all sorts of foolish lures to the coy goddess of slumber. I counted an imaginary thousand sheep jumping over a wall. I ended that task to wonder wakefully if sheep raising was a success after all. I repeated the alphabet and recited endless rhymes, with no other effect than greater wake-fulness. Then I sat up and said: Away with all this nousense.

I'm going to sleep."
"And did you?" I asked,
"Of course, I did. And that
was the end of my insomnia." A blue-eyed woman had lis-tened smilingly to the talk and the other suddenly turned to-

ward her to question:
"I don't believe you ever were
bothered by sleeplessness, were bothered by sleeplessness, were you? You always look so fresh and serene, and yet you have lots of care". What do you do?"

"I"—she blushed and hesitated a little, and then said simply and without the least chiding in her tender voice: "I wash them them all away with a little prayer."

There was a moment of silence Then a gray-haired matron wito had joined the group reached out her hand.

"And you are right my dear," she said, "I thank you for reminding me so sweetly of the

ahe said, "I thank you for reminding me so sweetly of the way. I used to know it well. But I am afraid that for many years it has been forgotten. I"—she stopped and there were tears in her eyes—"I am going to find it again. It is best, much the best. Women need a religious faith to walk with. They make a great mistake when they try to go alone. I shall wash my mind to-night and, maybe I can sleep."

EX-SPEAKER REED BEAD.

Passed Away Early Sunday Morning in the Arlington Hotel at Washington.

In his apartments at the Arling-ton Hotel, Washington, at 12:10 o'clock Sunday morning Hon. Thomas Bracket Reed, former Speaker of the House of Representatives, passed peacefully away, surrounded by the mem-bers of his family and his physicians, whose efforts to save the life of the distinguished states-man/were unavailing. Death was caused by uraemia, the deceased having long been a sufferer from Bright's disease. Mr. Reed arrived in Washing-

ton just a week previous to attend to some business but became ill soon after his arrival. At one time it was thought that he had appendicitis but symptoms of this disease soon disappeared.

The body was taken Sunday on a special train to Mr. Reed's home at Portland, Maine, where the funeral will take place this (Tuesday) afternoon.

These Were the Winners. To the Editor of the Gazette:

Stanley, N. C. Dec. 6, 1902

Please allow space in your valuable paper for a few lines from Morris's School House.

Two weeks ago I told the children I wanted them all to

write a letter and I would have the two best ones publishedone from a boy and one from a girl. They did so, and I have decided that the two which I send you are the best, consider-

ing the age of the pupils.

I think this is a step in the right direction, for I believe it will encourage the childrenand they will strive to do better next time.

Yours respectfully, MAGGIE HERMAN.

DALLAS, N. C. Dec. 2, 1902.

My Dear Teacher:

I am one of the scholars at the Morris School house.

I am a little girl 10 years old, and am in the Fifth reader.

I also study Spelling, Geography, Arithmetic, and History.

I like all my little playmates, and I like to go to school.

My love to all who see this Your scholar

LAURA MAXWELL.

DALLAS, N. C. Nov. 30, 1902.

My Dear teacher:

I will try to write you a few lines today. I am a little boy eight years old and am going to school. I love my teacher and my school mates.

I study reading and spelling. I love to take walks at school with my teacher.

I will close hoping you well Dear teacher.

Your little pupil

EARL RHYNE.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. JOSEPHINE THOMPSON. Whereas, Our friend and coworker in our Orphanage Com-mittee, Mrs. Josephine Thomp-son has been called from among us by death, therefore be it

Resolved (1) That while we would submit to God in this our calamity as to a just Sovereign and wise and loving Father, yet we feel sad at the death of our

Resolved (2) That she was a pleasant woman, a faithful and promising worker and a consis-

ant Christian, Resolved (3) That we, who are ourselves wives and mothers, do appreciate the grief of her hnsband and children, and com-mend them to that God who gave his only son for us all.

Resolved (4) That a copy of these resolutions be furnished her family, and copies be sent with request of publication to Our Church Record, THE GAS-TONIA GAZETTE, and the Gastonia News.

MRS. R. C. MCLEAN, MRS. J. F. LOVE, MRS. F. TORRENCE. Com.

Ranie City, Obla., Dispatch, 3rd.

A Thriving City Born in a Day.

Ragle City at daylight this morning was cornfields and raw prairies. At dark to-night it was a town of 2,000 people, with a complete municipal organiza-tion, a bank, a daily newspaper, a fairly good hotel, four restaurants, seven saloons and a score of mercantile establishments and no end of gambling houses. All the business enterprises are housed in substantial frame structures, many of which lack nothing but point of being completed. An excursion over the Frisco read brought in 1,000 people from Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Ohlahome.

The lot drawing began at day-light. Each become cold in \$25.

light. Back boomer paid in \$25, which entitled him to a 25-foot business lot or a 50-foot residence lot, the selection to be by lottery. Only a third of the lots were disposed of to-day. Eagle City will have 4,000 people by the end of the week. the end of the week.

According to the report of Comptroller Derham, the State of South Carolina realized \$26,-712:86 from insurance licenses last year.

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