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W. F. MARSHALL, Editor and Proprietor.

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MR. E. L. PEGRAM, SR., DEAD.

Answered Sudden Summons Yesterday — Became Ill Wednesday — Funeral This Morning.

The town of Stanley was shocked at the announcement yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock of the sudden death of Mr. E. L. Pegram, Sr., one of its oldest and most prominent citizens.

Not knowing of his illness, Mrs. John O. Rankin of Gastonia, a daughter of Mr. Pegram, in company with Miss Lillian Clinton, left for Stanley yesterday morning on a visit, little thinking of the sad ordeal that was to come ere the close of the day.

The deceased was a native of Gaston county and was about 77 years of age. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in Company B, 28th North Carolina Volunteers, and served gallantly till the close of the war.

The funeral will take place in the Presbyterian church at Stanley this morning at 10 o'clock, the services being conducted by the pastor.

Mr. Pegram is survived by a widow and the following children: Mrs. John O. Rankin of Gastonia; Mrs. Alice Mason of Stanley; Mrs. Jonas Barkley of Street, Md.; and Mr. E. L. Pegram, Jr., of Stanley with whom he resided.

DALLAS DOTS.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Dallas, N. C., June 3rd.—Miss Virginia Robinson of Lowell has been visiting friends in town during the past week.

Messrs. O. P. Mason and A. L. Bulwinkle attended the meeting of the Bar Association in Charlotte on Tuesday.

Mrs. L. J. Holland and little daughter, Nanmie Crump, will leave tomorrow to spend the summer at Mrs. Holland's former home in West Virginia.

Prof. S. A. Wolf with Misses Carrie Puett and Violet Holland left this morning for a trip to St. Louis to take in the exposition, the meeting of the National Musical Association, and the meeting of the National Educational Association. This party will be joined in Asheville by Prof. Sachs and Misses Mabel Little and Ora Huffman of Hickory. They will be away ten days.

HOYLE CREEK ITEMS.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

(Received too late for last issue.)

We had a nice rain last week. It was badly needed and will make everything grow nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Cloninger visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Friday at this place Sunday.

Miss Alice Friday is at home from Gaston College. We are glad to have her in our midst again.

Misses Flora and Mamie Thompson of Stanley Creek visited Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Shelton Saturday night.

Mrs. J. C. Friday had cucumbers the 11th of June from her garden. She has plenty more which will be ready to eat soon.

Mrs. A. B. Shelton, Mrs. F. W. Thompson and Mrs. Lucy Shelton visited Mrs. J. C. Friday and family on Wednesday.

Wheat has nearly all been harvested. The crop this year is very good.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Summey spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Friday.

Messrs. Oliver and Robert Friday and Misses Alice and Elliott Friday attended the children's day exercises at River View church Sunday. They all report a nice time.

Misses Eulalia and Addie Lutz spent Saturday night with Miss Alice Friday.

Everybody here is getting ready for the Second of July Celebration at Gastonia.

Mr. C. B. Abernethy and family spent Sunday with J. C. Friday and family.

There was a large crowd at High Shoals Friday and everybody had a nice time.

Up to yesterday 894 dead bodies of victims of the Holl Oats disaster in New York had been recovered.

EAST GASTON GOSSIP.

Prof. O. J. Jones Elected Principal of Cary High School—The Success of an East Gaston Boy—Other Items of Interest.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

East Gaston, June 22.—Mr. C. Howard of Catawba county, who has been going to school to Prof. E. W. Scott of Mount Holly, has gone to his home to spend a few weeks.

Rev. O. J. Jones preached last Sunday evening to a large congregation at the Bent church in East Gaston. Mr. Jones has for the last few years been in school at Trinity College and is considered a very bright young man, and we predict will make his mark some day. He was recently elected assistant principal of Cary high school at Cary N. C., seven miles west of Raleigh. Mr. Jones was reared up in East Gaston and has always been known as a very modest boy, and no one has aught against him that we ever heard of.

While we were at church last Sunday listening to the preacher explain the scriptures, we noticed one man utilizing the time by whittling away on an old corn stalk, not thinking what a mess he was making for the girls to have to sweep out. While another one was making him a cob pipe and another whittling away on his walking stick that he had cut from the side of the road on his way to church. Those are people that have lived to a ripe old age, and have reared up fine families of boys and girls.

To-day is the day Yates Webb will be renominated for Congress, and for our part we are for him. But we can't vote for him.

The boys of marriageable age are all about gone from East Gaston. We believe, too, that Coat Rumpf is yet single, also George Cansler, who is a most handsome looking young man, and is as good a worker as can be found. George is a good boy and is worthy of the best our country affords; girls, do you see the point? This is leap year, and before it is gone you should leap. He has got a good buggy and horse.

This is a good time for visiting among our farmers' wives, for they have fruit and frying size chickens to beat the band.

A Sad Death.

At her home on the Bradley farm west of town Wednesday afternoon about 3 o'clock Mrs. J. Frank Rhine died rather suddenly of convulsions due immediately to bright's disease, superinduced by the bearing of triplets, none of which lived. The body was taken yesterday to Hickory Grove Baptist church, twelve miles from Gastonia, where the funeral and burial took place in the afternoon. The deceased was about forty years of age and was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kirksey, who lived with her. She is also survived by two brothers, Mr. I. Kirksey and Mr. Oliver Kirksey of Gastonia; and three sisters, Mrs. J. M. Jenkins of Gastonia, Mrs. K. Ross of Bessemer City, Mrs. W. P. Hurt of Forest City. Mrs. Rhine was a consistent member of the Baptist church. Her death is greatly mourned by many friends.

Advertisement for ROYAL BAKING POWDER. Includes text: 'IT IS A MATTER OF HEALTH', 'ROYAL BAKING POWDER', 'ABSOLUTELY PURE', 'THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE'.

THE MYSTERY OF STANLEY.

Not Buried in Westminster Abbey Because he Would Not Reveal his Origin.

Marquis de Fontenay in New York World.

A curious reason has been put forward by the authorities of Westminster Abbey for denying to the body of the late Sir Henry M. Stanley that entombment in Westminster Abbey for which he had craved, wishing to be buried near to Dr. Livingston, whose name and fame were to such a degree identified with his own.

It seems that the real reason was that no one knew exactly what the true name of Stanley was, and the famous explorer never took any trouble to clear up the mystery or to vouch safe any explanation, not even when Thomas George, a boyhood companion and playmate of Stanley, published his book in 1895, through the Roxburghe Press, entitled 'The Birth, Boyhood and Younger days of Henry M. Stanley,' wherein there was a clear statement, supported by a wealth of detail and anecdote, showing that Stanley was not, as generally believed, a founding of the name of John Rowlands, brought up in the work house of St. Asaph, in Wales, and the adopted son of a merchant at New Orleans, who had been his benefactor, and who had given him his name, but was in reality Howell Jones, son of Joshua Jones, a Carmarthenshire bookbinder, and that he ran away to sea, writing to his parents from France, from Peru and from America.

The name of Henry Morton Stanley he took, not, as alleged, from a New Orleans merchant, but from an aunt for whom he had a particular affection, and who had been especially kind to him. It may be added that no amount of investigation, nor even reward offered by some curious persons, ever brought any information as to the New Orleans merchant from whom the explorer was said to have taken the name of "Stanley," directories ignored his existence and no New Orleans resident had ever heard of him.

Old Joshua Jones, the bookbinder, was still alive when Stanley returned from finding Livingstone in Africa, but was too infirm to travel to London. Moreover, there was some estrangement between father and son. But the former had no difficulty in recognizing his boy in the pictures of Stanley.

It may be stated further that Thomas George, in his book, proves by documents which are incontrovertible that the son of the bookbinder, under the name of H. M. Stanley, enlisted as an "able seaman" in the Confederate navy at the time of the civil war, which implied previous seafaring experience, and the fact that he was a grown man, instead of being a mere boy, and that this same Henry Morton Stanley was taken prisoner and confined at Pittsburg, from where he made his escape and after his brief visit home, described above, returned to America and enlisted in the Federal army.

Now, unless there were two Henry Morton Stanleys who enlisted on the same day at New Orleans, we were taken prisoner together from Pittsburg, and subsequently re-enlisted on the same day in the Federal army at New York, it is evident that the bookbinder's son, Howell Jones, and the famous explorer who died as Sir Henry Morton Stanley were one and the same person.

What reason Stanley had for maintaining the mystery as to his origin, as to his estrangement with his father and as to his early career it is impossible to say. For he was not in the habit of taking even his best friends into his confidence about such matters. But it is quite evident that, in spite of all Stanley's well earned fame and celebrity, the dean and chapter of England's national Walkhalla, known as Westminster Abbey, had some reason for hesitating about accorded a tomb and monument there to a man who, for some mysterious reason, was unwilling to shed any light upon his origin, to enlighten the world as to his parentage and date of birth or even to admit where his boyhood had been spent.

Mrs. A. G. Brenizer, wife of Capt. A. G. Brenizer, one of Charlotte's most prominent citizens, died suddenly Monday afternoon. She was 61 years of age.

THE SOUTH AT WEST POINT.

Five of the Six Star Graduates this Year From the South. Charlotte Observer. 23rd.

It is gratifying to see that wide attention is being given to the fact that of the six star students graduated at West Point Military Academy at this term—C. R. Pettis, of North Carolina; W. D. A. Anderson, of Virginia; E. T. Ward, of Colorado; H. H. Robert, of Mississippi; T. J. Kingman, of Tennessee, and R. P. Howell, Jr., of North Carolina—five are from the South. A further fact in this connection which we would like to rivet upon the public mind is, that of the five from the South two are from North Carolina. There is in these statements a suggestion that something yet is to be expected from the section which, from the birth of the republic down to the civil war, gave government to the country during two-thirds of the period, stamped its impress upon the nation through Macon and Gaston and Ireddell and Badger and Mangum and Graham and Clingman and their likes. The section and the State have not, as shown by these facts from West Point, lost the power for the development of intellect; nor have they lost "the breed of noble blood."

Will Doubling Fertilizer Double the Yield?

For the Editor of the Gazette:

Some time ago we wrote two exhaustive articles on this subject. And some don't believe that Mr. I. C. Simms grew 5 bales of cotton on one acre of land. Mr. Simms used two tons of 10-3-4, so we stated, and there is no fake or deception about it.

Mr. Simms says: "I herewith send you a brief and correct account of how I made 25 bales of cotton on 5 acres of land. The soil is sandy and has been cleared for 80 years, so you see it is poor."

"The guano I used was Kitwell's Peruvian Phosphate, 4,000 pounds to the acre, high-grade analysis 10-3-4. This amount is what is usually applied to 20 acres—the average being 200 pounds to the acre."

"I also applied 60-two horse loads of pine leaves from the woods; 60 bushels of cotton seed broadcast, 40-two horse loads of stable manure, spread broadcast, then turned in under six inches deep."

"On the 13th of May I planted my cotton seed by hand, dropping 6 seed to the place, about 9 to 12 inches apart, covering with side harrow. The variety was the Dickson. The cotton was thinned out to one stalk in the hill, June 10th, then plowed with a 24-inch bow running shallow, one furrow to the row, just scraping the soil enough to scrape off the grass. I did not use the hoe, because I did not want to skin the stalks. I scraped once a week, one furrow to the row."

"I simply doubled, trebled and quadrupled the yield by judicious fertilization. I. C. SIMMS, Covington, Ga., May 17, 1904. What an object lesson, what an eye opener, what a glorious thing for the individual, the county and the State if each GAZETTE reader who farms could judiciously fertilize a half, fourth, one-eighth, one sixteenth, of an acre. Practice on the plot high fertilization and intensive cultivation; or give one of the children a patch or a row of plants to feed and water and tend, love and care for."

Then give it a trial, children of one of God's fairest counties—Gaston, the Queen of the Piedmont plateau! Start now, start in the direction of high-fertilization and intensive cultivation; fill your pocket book—swell your bank account and fill your brain with valuable and useful knowledge. None are too poor to start.

Who will be the first child of school age, boy or girl, who is a subscriber to THE GAZETTE, or whose parents are, who will make a stalk of cotton bear 5 lbs of seed cotton on it, or a stalk of corn that will bear an ear of corn weighing two pounds, and which will shell out a quart of grain; a pumpkin which will weigh 250 and a water melon which will weigh the same?

Who will be the first to make the start toward doing what they have never done before, never seen done by others, but which has been done? Let's hear from you—don't hang back. R. D. MARTIN.

BREATHE HEALING AIR.

Hymemel Destroys Germs of Cough and Cures the Disease—Money Back If It Fails.

No other treatment for catarrhal troubles is as pleasant and convenient to use as Hymemel. Simply put twenty drops of Hymemel in the inhaler that comes with every outfit, and then breathe it for a few minutes four times a day, and it will cure the worst case of catarrh. In this way, one takes into the air passages of the head, throat and lungs air that is filled with balsamic healing and antiseptic fragrance. It goes to the most remote parts of the air passages, destroys all catarrhal germs, and enriches and purifies the blood with additional ozone.

The first day's use of Hymemel will show a decided improvement, and in a short time there will be no further trouble with catarrh. Its good effects are quickly gained, and the benefit is permanent.

You take no risk in buying Hymemel. The complete outfit costs but one dollar, and if, after using you can say that it did not give satisfaction J. H. Kennedy & Co. will return your money. You have the promise of one of the most reliable drug firms in this section, that Hymemel will cost you absolutely nothing, if you can say "it did not help." You are to use it entirely at their risk, with the understanding that your money will be returned without question or argument, if you are not satisfied with Hymemel. —J15-24

New International Questions.

Atlanta Constitution.

Every war brings to the front new questions of an international character to be passed upon by the different governments and to add new chapters to international law. Already two such questions have been brought out by the war between Russia and Japan. One of these involves the treatment of the wireless system of telegraphy, the other the use of floating mines at sea. These are two of the new problems which the present war has brought to the front. There may be others. In any event, there will be something for the international laws of the foreign departments to busy themselves about after hostilities have been concluded, if not before.

Painless Tooth Extractor.

Mrs. Dr. Moore, the painless tooth extractor, will arrive in town Monday, June 27th, from the office of Dr. Newell & McLaughlin of Charlotte. Mrs. Moore comes highly recommended by prominent officials of towns and cities she has visited, who state that her painless method of extracting teeth is perfectly reliable and harmless. Office opposite post office.

John W. Morrissey, a prominent citizen of Winston-Salem and a delegate to the Democratic convention at Greensboro, died suddenly in the Guilford Hotel in Greensboro Tuesday night as the result of an overdose of morphine. He was suffering from a crippled arm and took the drug to get rest and sleep.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE GASTONIA BANKING CO., GASTONIA, N. C., AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THE 23d DAY OF JUNE, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Table showing financial resources: Loans and Discounts \$1,177,046.00, Overdrafts 700.00, Stocks, securities, etc. 100,000.00, Banking-house, furniture and fixtures 5,677.00, Other real estate owned 60,457.00, Deposited funds 86,700.00, Due from banks and bankers 33,775.00, Checks and other cash items 621.71, Gold coin 25.00, Silver coin 1,312.28, National bank and other U. S. notes 5,557.00, Total \$2,044,892.00

LIABILITIES.

Table showing financial liabilities: Capital stock paid in \$1,000,000.00, Surplus fund 20,000.00, Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid 5,415.54, Due to Banks and Bankers 10,809.01, Individual deposits subject to check 138,000.00, Time certificates of deposits 67,313.04, Cashier's checks outstanding 238.23, Notes and bills rediscounted 39,002.28, Total \$2,044,892.00

J. J. A. PAGE, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. J. A. PAGE, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of June, 1904. W. T. MARSHALL, Notary Public. CORRECT—Attest: J. E. LOVE, J. B. LOVE, ROBERT LOVE, Directors.

MILLINERY!

Money Saving Inducements!

Here at Yeager's our habit of replenishing keeps our Millinery stock full, fresh and new. Notwithstanding the season is far advanced we can still meet the Millinery wants of all our customers. Not only this but we are offering some special values. Note our

Ready Trimmed Hats at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.

Window Parasols—We are closing them out at per yard 3 cent.

Summer Walking Skirts—The \$4 and \$5 kind going at \$1.25 while they last.

Neckwear—A new lot just received; of the choicest material and newest designs.

Umbrellas—New lot of Ladies' Summer Umbrellas, Black and colors, 26 inches, at 25c, and upwards. Lot of Misses' 26 inch umbrellas, at \$1.00.

And remember that we are fully equipped to take care promptly of all special orders.

JAS. F. YEAGER



Negligee Shirts and Underwear. To feel good these hot summer days you must be comfortable, and to be comfortable you must have the right clothes. Our Negligee Shirts at \$1.00 and \$1.25, plain white, black and white stripes and green, gray, and tan, are the best shirt material to be had. Priority Shirts at 50c. Satisfying and Well-made Underwear at \$1.00 per suit. White and Navy French Lace Underwear at \$2 per suit. Robinson Bros. A SHIRT and UNDERWEAR.

Advertisement for TORRENCE-MORRIS CO. THAT WATCH OF YOURS. Includes text: 'This watch, just as much as your hair, you need cleaning and shining up once in a while, and so does your watch. About once a year the proposition of cleaning and oiling that watch comes up. If you don't want to think of it, then the watch should be sent to just the man who knows it in the heart of the watch world—T. MORRIS & CO. an expert at handling watches. Let him fix up your watch, please. 11-11-21. TORRENCE-MORRIS CO. 4 1/2-5-1/2 South and opposite of'

World's Fair, St. Louis, Mo.

Table showing Southern Railway rates for the World's Fair in St. Louis, Mo. Columns include Station, 60-Day, 15-Day, 10-Day rates. Stations listed include Asheville, Asheville, Charlotte, Durham, Gastonia, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Henderson, Hendersonville, Hickory, Marion, Morganton, Mt. Airy, Newton, Raleigh, Rutherfordton, Salisbury, Sanford, Selma, Statesville (via Kenaville), Wilkesboro, Winston-Salem.