

BUSINESS LOCALS.

PLASTERING LATHS for sale. R. L. WILSON, Dallas, N. C. OLD PAPERS for sale at THE GAZETTE office 5 cents a bundle. ASK your Grocers for fresh home ground meal and flour. Gastonia Roller Mills. WHEN you are ready, let us store and insure your cotton. Rates on application, B. H. PARKER & Co. MANUSCRIPT COVERS for type-written documents. Variety of colors by dozen or box at THE GAZETTE office. LOST—Thirty dollars—between Citizens bank and Oil mill on Main street. Reward for return to Gazette office. LOST—Sunday afternoon between Col. Wilson's and Dr. Adams' or on streets, child's gold-rimmed glasses in case with Torrence stamp. Return to GAZETTE office for reward.

TUESDAY, OCT. 16, 1906.

LOCAL AFFAIRS

Colton was 11 cents yesterday and is being marketed rapidly. The sheriff is on his rounds making his second call. See appointments advertised to-day. The condition of Mr. Robert J. Craig is reported to be better. The walls of the new church at Union are up and ready for the roof. The McAllister boys are hustlers. The possum is ripe, but the law does not permit him to be pulled until November 1.—Charlotte Chronicle. The grand opening parade of the Charlotte fair will take place this (Tuesday) morning. Gastonia will send a full delegation. Mr. Oscar Craig is welcomed back to Gastonia. He moved over from Charlotte Saturday and went to work yesterday with the Page Company. Miss Bettie Coon, of the Mt. Holly school faculty came over from the Dallas meeting Saturday afternoon to be guest of Miss Shelton. Miss Carrie McLean, of Charlotte, came over Sunday upon hearing of the fatal accident that had befallen her uncle, Mr. W. W. McLean. The house and lot on the corner near Prof. J. P. Reid's was bought this week by Mr. Charley Craig from his father, Mr. Robert J. Craig. Mr. Dorie Craig now occupies the place and will probably do so until the new owner builds later on. The Charlotte Observer says that as a result of a conference between the Traffic Association of South Carolina and the Southern's railroad officials an extra train will be placed on the Atlanta division to run between Charlotte and Toccoa, Ga. The Gaston County Poultry Association is coming along. About 20 members have been enrolled. Mr. Lawrence Beal, Dr. L. N. Glenn and others are expected to attend a meeting of the Mecklenburg Association in Charlotte Wednesday night.

Gaston County Club.

The Gaston boys at the University have formed a Gaston County Club. Mr. Oscar Shannon is President; Mr. Ed. Adams Vice-President; Mr. Will Hunter Secretary, all from Gastonia, while Mr. Russell Dellinger, of Mt. Holly, is Treasurer.

Married.

On South street at the residence of Mr. O. B. Alexander, last Sunday afternoon at 1:30, Mr. Bruner Barker and Miss Anna McKenzie were united in marriage by Esquire W. I. Stowe. The young people are both of the Arlington mill section.

Capt. R. L. Durham Appointed.

From Sunday's Charlotte Observer we learn that Capt. R. L. Durham has been appointed to canvass for members of the National Association of Manufacturers. This Association already has more than 3,000 members and has done much work in Washington opposing legislation of socialistic tendencies.

Fine Cane.

Mr. Caleb A. Spencer, one of our successful farmers brought to our office Saturday some fine specimens of sugar cane taken from a patch of more than half an acre. The stalks are large and high, averaging about twelve feet, and many hills having twelve stalks to the hill. The seeds of this variety were originally from Texas, and were sent to Mr. Spencer by a cousin living in Arkansas. Mr. Spencer has been making his own molasses for twenty years, and expects to have an unusually fine supply this year.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Sam Shuford will attend the Raleigh fair this week. Miss Edith Adams is attending the Fair and visiting her Charlotte friends. Miss Ida Pringle leaves tomorrow for Bradley, S. C., to visit her friend, Mrs. Watson. Mr. L. A. Carpenter, of Maiden, was a pleasant visitor at THE GAZETTE office Saturday. Miss Pauline Gwaltney, of Hickory, spent several days last week at the home of Mrs. J. D. Moore. Mr. W. P. Lewis, of Kings Mountain, was among THE GAZETTE's welcome visitors Saturday. Mrs. Samuel Huffman, of Morganton, arrived yesterday to visit her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Reddish. Dr. J. M. Hunter, the Rock Hill cancer specialist, is expected to be at the Falls House tomorrow, the 17th. Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Paterson, of Kings Mountain, were guests Saturday night of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Shuford. Miss Rosebud Adams returned Saturday from an extended stay at Greenville, S. C., where she has been teaching. Mr. J. L. Clemmer, of Yorkville, was among the number of THE GAZETTE's good friends who called to see us Saturday. Mr. Fred Pasour moved from Dallas to Bessemer City yesterday. He will try farming awhile with Mr. Henry Fronberger. Miss Bryte Crouse, of Lincolnton, was guest of Miss Onie Shuford yesterday. She was on her way to Bethel to visit her grandmother. Mrs. Julia Courts Holland, of Dallas, left Monday morning for Raleigh to visit relatives in the city and attend the State fair. Miss Shelton Wells, of Lincolnton, who numbers her friends by the score in Gastonia, is spending a few days with Mrs. G. W. Ragan. Mrs. L. D. Henderson, of Mt. Holly, came over Saturday night from the teachers meeting at Dallas to be guest of Miss Rose Abernethy. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. McLean and Mrs. Mamie McKee, of Lincolnton, attended the funeral of Mr. W. W. McLean Monday. Mr. Andrew Moore finished moving Saturday into one of the handsome Craig houses on Airline street. Mrs. Moore and the baby haven't yet returned from Waynesville. Capt. S. J. Hand, of Belmont, is out again, after being confined to his home for several weeks with sickness. His many Gastonia friends were glad to see him in the city yesterday. Mrs. E. C. Wilson was up from Spencer Mountain yesterday having some work done at the new home she has recently bought. She will probably move in some time during the month. Mr. J. R. Gaston, of Belmont, dropped in to see THE GAZETTE folks Saturday morning. When asked if he was bringing cotton to town, Mr. Gaston said "No, we are getting 11 cents right at Belmont."

Mrs. T. L. Craig, Mrs. S. N. Boyce and Miss Nell Smyre, Gastonia Chapter's representatives to the State convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy, returned Saturday night from Durham. Misses Zoe and Salina Latham have been seriously ill for more than a week with malarial fever, but their friends will be glad to know their condition yesterday was reported somewhat improved. Miss Salina was taken ill a week ago Saturday and Miss Zoe the day following. Rev. D. P. Bridges, of Lumber Bridge, was in Gastonia yesterday on his way to Lincolnton. Mr. Bridges, who for a year has been pastor of the Lumber Bridge Baptist church has resigned to take charge of the church at Smithfield the first of the year. Mr. S. E. McFadden is going to Lincolnton to-day to bring Mrs. McFadden home. About two weeks ago they visited at Rutherfordton, where Mrs. McFadden was taken very ill; when sufficiently recovered she went to her mother's at Lincolnton, where she has remained since.

Will Be With Us. King's Mrs. Herald. We are glad to note that Gastonia is moving for a poultry show in the near future, and we can promise them that our people will be with them.

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KILLED BY NO. 97.

Mr. W. W. McLean, Struck by Foot Mail Saturday Evening, Died Sunday Morning—Buried Yesterday Afternoon at Union. Train number 97 struck Mr. W. W. McLean Saturday evening and inflicted injuries which caused his death at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Mr. McLean was leaving the market near the East Baptist church as the fast mail swept into night. He hurried up to get across the track ahead of it. The train was 20 minutes late, it was on a down grade, and was coming like the wind. The unfortunate man had miscalculated the distance or speed of the train—and was possibly misled by the glare of the electric head-light. He crossed the rails just in time to save himself from being crushed, but not in time to avoid the long cross-beam across the pilot. The end of this struck him on the side or hip and tossed him about 20 feet. He was taken into Mr. E. P. Rankin's store where he rallied slightly and asked where he was and what was the matter. When told what had occurred, he said quietly "Well it seems that my time has come; if so, it is all right." He gave no account of the accident. He was taken to his home two or three blocks away near the Avon mill where, in an unconscious condition, he died at eleven o'clock Sunday morning.

Followed by a long procession of carriages, the body was taken to Union Presbyterian church for burial yesterday afternoon, where the funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. H. Reddish, at two o'clock. Mr. McLean was a good man, kind, considerate, and very gentle in his ways. He was a member of the First Baptist church of Gastonia and was among the most faithful and regular attendants. Though possessed of a home and a moderate competence beside, he requested several months ago, when his church found itself without a sexton, that he might be permitted to perform the duties himself of keeping the Lord's house in order. He performed these duties with attentive, care and conscientious punctuality until the day of his fatal accident.

Mr. McLean was well read in the Scriptures and was a man of piety and prayer—prayer which when uttered in public impressed one with the spirituality of his life. A few months ago while a juror he spent the night with his brother-in-law, Mr. Clyde Craig, who keeps the County Home. Next morning those afflicted ones who were confined to their rooms were visited by this good man, who prayed with each one. And many other good deeds has he done.

The day of Mr. McLean's death was also his birthday and wedding day anniversary. He was 57 years old and had been married 30 years. There is great sympathy felt for his stricken family, especially for the widow whose accumulated afflictions for six years have been great indeed. On the 10th of October 1900 her father, the late James M. Craig, died suddenly; about two years later a dear sister, Mrs. Laban Wilson, was called away; her brother Schenck died a year ago, and her brother Ed died the 31st of last March. Meanwhile in this sorrow-laden period three of her own little children have died, making with the death of her husband eight sore afflictions within six years. He leaves one brother, Mr. Jno. C. McLean, of Shopton; one sister, Mrs. Jno. D. Rudisill, of Lincolnton, two half brothers, Mr. S. W. McLean, of Lincolnton, and Lean McLean, now in the west; and one half sister, Mrs. McKee, whose husband was killed a few years ago at the Old Mill. Seven children survive him. They are Mr. John McLean, now of Rock Hill, Mrs. Harvey White, of Madison, Ga., Misses Mary Willie, Katie, and Winifred, and little Alex and Clyde at home.

All of these that were within reach by railroad arrived in time to attend the funeral.

LIVE TEMPERANCE SPEAKER. Rev. A. D. Wilcox, Endorsed by Local Ministry, to Lecture This Week. Rev. A. D. Wilcox, National Lecturer of the American Anti-Saloon League, highly endorsed by the national and state officers of the league, will this evening at 7:30 o'clock begin a series of illustrated temperance lectures at the Main Street M. E. Church in the interest of Gospel temperance education. No admission fee is charged, a collection only being taken. The lectures are entertaining and instructive and we earnestly request the people to attend them.

SIGNED. E. L. Bain, J. C. Galloway, W. H. Reddish, P. S.—The other ministers could not be reached before the above notice had to go to press.

TAX BOOKS SHOW \$8,961,827.

Gaston County Gains Three-Quarters of a Million Over Last Year in Tax Valuation. In the office of the Register of Deeds, Mr. A. J. Smith and Mr. Ed Mason have been doing most strenuous figuring ever since the tax books were turned in. Having figured out the individual taxes, they are now running up the totals. The county shows an increase in tax valuations of more than three quarters of a million dollars over last year. The increase next year is expected to be fully \$1,000,000, and it is possible indeed that the aggregate of new mills and the increase in real estate assessments to go on the books will make the total tax valuations, of the county reach the \$10,000,000 mark. The valuations for 1906 may be itemized as follows: Personal property, white \$ 2,320,138 Real property, white 4,801,287 Personal property, colored 63,271 Real property, colored 66,511 Railroad, Telegraph lines etc 1,232,934 Corporation Excises over 300,000 Bank stocks etc, over 177,788 Total \$8,961,827

Number of white polls 3,462 Number of colored polls 639 Total 4,101 The property figures for 1905 will prove interesting for purposes of comparison: Personal and Real, Whites \$6,412,153 Personal and Real, Colored 107,781 R. R., Telegraph lines, etc. 1,230,911 Corporation Excises 288,138 Bank Stock, etc. 152,148 Total \$8,201,129

GROWTH FOR 16 YEARS. The following figures will indicate the increase in property valuations since 1890: 1890 \$ 3,027,570 1895 3,710,003 1900 5,088,129 1904 7,833,303 1905 8,201,129 1906 8,961,827 The population in 1890 was 17,764 The population in 1906 is 37,614

MR. HENRY HOOVER DEAD. Succumbs to Typhoid Fever After An Illness of Only a Few Days. Mr. Henry Hoover died at his home in Stanley at 12 o'clock Sunday night of typhoid fever after an illness of only a few days—just about one week. He was about twenty-eight years of age and was unmarried. For sometime he had most successfully managed the mercantile business of Mr. L. L. Smith at Stanley, and was a most exemplary and popular young man. He has a brother in Knoxville, who is expected this morning, and the funeral arrangements will not be completed until he arrives.

SPEAKING FRIDAY NIGHT. County Candidates and Hon. W. C. Dowd Will Speak in Gastonia. The Democratic county candidates should, and we believe will, receive an enthusiastic hearing in Gastonia Friday night. Gastonia always receives them gladly and will make no exception Friday night. In addition to the candidates, Mr. W. C. Dowd, of Charlotte, will be here and will speak on political topics. Mr. Dowd is editor of the Charlotte News and Times-Democrat, is a candidate for the House in Mecklenburg, and as his election in that Democratic county is assured, his friends have been actively mentioning his name in connection with the speakership of the House—an office he would fill well. Mr. Dowd is a speaker of experience and ability, and will interest those who come out to the speaking Friday night.

Potatoes Old and New. Mr. A. M. Whitesides brought to this office Saturday a poke of fine pumpkin yams of last year's growth. They were in perfect condition, and quite as sweet and good as potatoes of this year's growth. When Mr. Whitesides began leading his new potatoes, he found nearly half a bushel of these in a perfect state of preservation. Mr. Whitesides is one of our most successful and progressive farmers who knows "how to do things."

Mr. Gates Sprinkle to be Married. Cards as follows have been issued and will be of interest to Mr. Sprinkle's many Gastonia friends. Mrs. Joseph Crittenden Hillington (widow) is to be married to Mr. John Gates Sprinkle on the evening of Thursday, the first of November, at nine o'clock at Three hundred and twenty-seven, New Hope Avenue, Raleigh, North Carolina. Enclosed are cards reading: At Home After 8 o'clock, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Car Loan Just Received. Best Range on the Market for the money. We have just added ranges to our line of household and kitchen furnishings and have engaged two special range experts to install them. The twenty-odd ranges sold during the past week are all giving entire satisfaction. If we satisfy others let us satisfy you.

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SCHOLARSHIP HONOR ROLL. For First Month of Fall Term Gastonia Graded Schools. Miss Stuart's room—Beginners: Charles Boyd, Claud Craig, Roger Marshall, Henry Wilson, Burney Boyce, Mary Withers. B. Class—Erman Love, A. Class—Annie Clifford. Miss Sandifer's room—Blanche Costner, Rebekah McLean, Mary Wilson, Grace Strickland, Geo. Terrell, Richard Faysoux, Robert Glenn, Ralph Padgett, Bryan Walters. Miss Sparrow's room—Mack Dilling, James Hunter, Theodore Morris, Thernu Ormand, Bertha Boss, Madge Craig, Emma Glenn, Madge Hanna, Helen Jackson, Sue Ramsey Johnston, Katherine McLean, Ruth Morris, Aline Reid. Miss Glenn's room—No one. Miss Galloway's room—Pauline McFadden, Louisa Reid, Agnes Lindsay, Esther Bain, Charley Campbell, Charley Lineberger, Claude Terrell, Neely Hanna, Durward Morrow. Miss Horton's room—No one. Miss Burnett's room—No one. Miss Barre's room—Clara Armstrong, Kirkpatrick Reid, Stafford Whitfield, Geo. Hicks, Loretta Culp, Violet Rankin. Miss Egerton's room—Clyde Armstrong, Otto Baber, Ernest Fogle, Lola Jenkins, Mildred Rankin. Miss Bradley's room—Ninth Grade: Gregg Cherry, Roland Clinton, Lena Hanna, Jennie Pegram. Tenth Grade: Stacy Boyce, Gertrude Fogle, Mamie Patrick, Ella Rankin. JOE S. WRAY, Supt. The State fair opened at Raleigh yesterday and continues throughout the week. Subscribe for THE GAZETTE GAZETTE.

Millinery Department. Never before in the history of Southern Merchandising has there been assembled such a stock of fashionable Coat Suits, Wraps, Jackets, Furs, Dress Goods, Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Shoes, Gents Furnishings, etc. Our counters are literally teeming with immense stocks of the very latest in Fall Wear and every piece was personally selected by our buyers from the different departments. We are of the opinion that we have this Fall the best variety and the greatest bargains in the Ready-to-Wear department that has ever been offered in Charlotte. This is saying a great deal because our stocks in the past have not by any means been other than up-to-date. We Make a Specialty of Wedding Trousseaus. Transportation is paid to all parties coming to Charlotte within a radius of 50 miles of Charlotte, upon purchasing from stores, members of the Retailer's Merchant's Association, goods to the amount of \$40.00. The Little-Long Department Stores Charlotte, North Carolina.

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