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### Happenings in Neighboring Towns

Items of Interest in Gaston and Neighboring Counties Tersely Told A Record of Current Events in Communities Where Things are on the Move.

#### LORAY LOCALS.

Christman Trees and Entertainments in Prospect—Material Placed for Mr. A. E. Moore's Residence -The Year's Prog-

(Crowded out of last inque.) ere or the Gas

oray, Dec. 13-Christman is a the air, although the 25th is 12 days off yet. The young people are getting ready to welcome the "gladdest of all the holidays" with more real than usual and no doubt a merry Christmas is in store for them. The Christmas tree at the Bradley hall will be one of the main features of the holidays and the entertainment promises to be of more than ordinary interest. The omnipresent Santa Claus will be on hand to make both young and old happy.

A treat is in store for the children of West Rud Sunday school. This school has grown considerably in the past year. Last Wednesday two prizes were given by the superintendent, Rev. F. W. Bradley, Master Mason McArver getting the prize for punctual attendance and Miss Alma Jenkins getting the prize as a class builder. The prizes were beautiful pocket Bibles.

The Loray Mill has laid in a

large supply of domestic coal and wood and our people must be looking for cold weather for the wagons have been busy this week hauling wood and coal

around to the dwellings.

Material is being laid on the ground for Mr. A. E. Moore's new residence in the park. This residence will be one of which Gastonia will be proud. It will form a connecting link between Loray and Gastonia proper.

The past twelve months have witnessed many changes in this end of town. About a score and a half residences have been built. All of them are nice cottages. The Bradley building has been erected this year and other improvements have been made. The whole appearance of this section has been changed. A number of houses have been moved and new ones will be built. We can say, as The Gazette says of Gaston, "Watch Loray grow.

#### BESSEMER BRIEFS. orrespondence of the Geneti

Bessemer City, Dec. 17 .- Miss Lillian Kiser, who has been in South Carolina the past few weeks, has returned home.—
Mrs. J. M. Garrison, of King's Mountain, is visiting relatives in tewn.—Dr. D. A. Garrison has been confined to bis. has been confined to his home the past few days by sickness.
The M. B. Sunday school will give a Christmas concert

Friday evening, Dec. 21st., at the M. E. church. Miss McGowan, of Long

Creek, was the guest of Miss Grace Littlejoba Saturday. Several new business blocks are in contemplation for erection in the early spring.

#### LINWOOD NEWS NOTES.

e of the Ge Liuwood College, Dec. 15.— The Liuwood girls are very busy now standing examinations be-fore the Christmas holidays. Rev. A. T. Lindsay has re-

turned from Tennessee and re-ports a pleasant time.—Misses Lizzie Pife and Mamie Lindsay Lizzie Fife and Mamie Lindsay have been visiting at the parsonage—Miss Iva Pursley and Mr. Wade Pursley, of Clover, S. C., have been visiting their sisters, Misses Edna and Zuba Pursley.—Miss Harvie Johnson left Saturday morning for her home in Landford, S. C., to spend the Christmas holidays.—Misses Irene Foster, Marie Littlejohn and Roxie Martia left to-day for their homes pear to-day for their Bomes pear Gaffuey, S. C. The school will close next Thursday for the bolidays.

## McADENVILLE MATTERS.

Rov. S. L. Sofe Preaches Pare-well Sermon—A He-ringe— Personal Mention.

McAdenville, Dec. 17.—Coun-y Treasurer J. M. Shuford and smily visited Mrs. Shuford's ather, Mr. James L. Webb,

Sanday afternoon,
Misses Texle and Dilla Bogness,
of Charlotte, visited their sister,
Mrs. C, W. Hooper, Sunday af-

Mr. James Grindale, Jr., of Salisbury, visited his father here last week. Mr. James Grindale, Br., and Rov. J. F. Armstrong are on the sick list,

Ray, D. L. Hoke presched his second across at the Raptist church here Dunday sight. We see not informed as to who will at paster, at paster, ater Roberts is the hap

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ory Grove. We are to have an entertainment at the Union church Saturday night, Dec. 22d. The programme is as follows: Song
"Crossing the Bar", quartette;
dialogue; "His First Case";
"Moonlight," solo, by Miss Lottie Albea; speech by Mr. F. D. Phillips; gypsy and fairy drill by ten girls; song, "Ashamed of Jesus," quartette; dialogue, "The Obstinate Family;" song, "God be With You Till we Meet

The proceeds of the entertainment will be used to liquidate a debt on the parsonage. Mr. William Rumfelt and Mis.

Again," by children.

Maggie Castles were married Sunday afternoon.

#### PISGAH PARAGRAPHS.

Falls-Spencer Wedding Dec 20th -Three Marriages Scheduled -First-of-the Year-Changes -Personal Mention.

rrespondence of the teasetts. Pisgah, Dec. 13-Mr. Lathan Alexander Palls and Miss Bessie Spencer will be united in marriage Thursday night, Dec. 20th at the home of the bride's father,

(Crowded out of last fasue.)

Mr. J. Franklin Spencer, Pis-gah. The groom-elect is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Falls, of this community, and is a farmer. The bride-to-be is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Spencer, also

of Pisgah. Mr. Carlisle Wright has moved from Mr. J. R. Anthony's to his new cottage near the Gray Mill.

Mrs J. W. Blackwood's condition is slightly improved.

Three weddings are scheduled to come off in this neighborhood between row and the last of February.

son will erect a cottage near the Gray Mill. Mr. A J. Gamble will remove to his cettage near the Trenton

It is reported that S. W. Gray-

Mills January 1st. Mr. C. R. Jones, of the Loray, has rented the Audrew Jackson Gamble farm and will moye Jan.

Rev. A. T. Lindsay, president of Linwood College, has returned from Petersburg, Tenn., where he went to officiate at the wedding of his brother, Dr. W. E. Lindsay, and Miss Eva M.

### MILL PLANT TO BE DOUBLED.

Mayes Mill to Increase Its Equipment to 17,000 Spindles-An Admirably Arranged Plant. Charlotte Observer, 17th.

The management of the Mayes Manufacturing Company has decided to double the equipment of its fine mill near Belmont, which is now in course of construction. The original plans called for a 25,000 spindle plant, but only 9,000 spindles were to be installed at first. Since the buildings have been under way. the stockholders and directors decided to increase the equipfirst assortment of machinery will be ready for operation about April 1st. The Mayes Mill is said to be one of the best planged and best equipped plants of its kind in the South. Mr. J. H. Mayes is its president and Mr. L. A. Dodsworth, secretary and treasurer.

Six white men were killed Saturday in an explosion of dynamite near Newport, Tenn. They were engaged in construction work on the Tennessee & North Carolina Railroad.

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HORGE ROLL.

Scholarship Record at Central Graded School for Third Month.

Following is a list of the pu-pils of the Central graded school whose grades for the third month averaged as much as 95;

Aliss Staatt's Room—Beginners: Charles Boyd, Claud Craig, Renneth Cross, Rhea Fayssoux, Roger Marshall, Henry Wilson, Burney Boyce, Lucile Glenn; B. class: Rrdmau Love; A class: Aunie Clifford.

Miss Sandifer's R o o m—McCoy Dilling, Richard Fayssoux, Moore Morrow, Robert Owen, Ralph Padgett, Malcolm Rhyne, Leonard Smith, Leonard Thomas, Harry Walker, Hauche Costner, Regina Coon, Mary LaFar, Rebekah McLeau, Marguerite Spencer, Grace Strickland, Mary Wilson.

Miss Sparrow's Room—Tom Dees.

Strickland, Mary Wilson.

Miss Sparrow's Room—Tom Dees,
Charlie Dilling, Mack Dilling, James
Hunter; Lewis McDowell, Theodore
Morris, Lawrence Rankin, Charlton
Torence, Bertha Boaz, Madge Craig,
Emma Glean, Madge Ilanna, Helen
Jackson, Mary Ellen Jenkins, Sue
Ramsey Johnston, Katherine McLean, Macle Parham, Aline Reid,
Mamie Smith.

Miss Glean's Poom—Newt Color.

Miss Glenn's Room-Pirst Grade: Minuie Boaz, Fair Alexander, Minure Boaz, Fair Alexander, Minerva Jenkins, Oran Hicks, Wil-mot Whitesides, Robbie Lindsay, Coit Dilling, Susie Pearson: Fourth Grade: Lillie Morrow, George Arm-strong, Earl Groves, Ernest War-ren.

Miss Galloway, 5 Room—Pauline McPadden, Louisa Reid, Charlie Lineberger.

Miss Horton's Room—Iola Ballard, Mary Dickson, Bessie Parham, Lawrence Little, Paul Caldwell, Dana Caldwell, Anderson Hicks. Miss Burnet's Room—Katie Me-

Lean.

Miss Barre's Room—Clara Armstrong, Kirkpatrick Reid, Cora Dickson, Ella May McFadden, Mamie Spencer, Margaret Morris, Violet Rankin, Ullie Jenkins, Max Abernethy, Stafford Whitfield, Mary Connell, Nell McLean.

Miss Rgerton's Room—Clyde Armstrong, Otto Baber, Henry Groves, Ernest Fogle, John Hunter, George Smith, George Patrick, Pearl Hustman, Lola Jenkins, Robbie Lee Morrow, Mildred Rankin, Hallie Torrence. Corrence.

Miss Bradley's Room—Roland Clinton, Gregg Cherry, Gertrude Glenn, Forest Groves, Jennie Pegram, Lois Adams, Lena Hanna, Mary Page, Marie Torrence, Manie Patrick, Stacy Boyce, Gertrude Fogle, Luia Whitesides, Thad Clinton, Avriett McLean, Ella Rankin, Eliza Lindsay,

HIS MILLIONS FOR THE POOR Alvarade Says Libraries and Univer

Pedro Alvarado, owner of the Pal-millo mine at Parral, Chihuahua, Mexico, whose wealth is estimated at more than \$150,000,000, announces that be will distribute \$10,000,000 or more to the poor of Mexico within a short time. This young man, who six years ago was a poor miner, offered to pay the government debt of Mexico some time ago, but the offer was declined, says a Guiveston (Tex.) special dispatch to the New York World. He is going to

see President Dias and renew the of-He says be got his vast wealth from the earth which is a part of Mexico, and he proposes that his poor country, men shall share his good fortune. His plan is not to give cash, but to provide homes and land for the poor and equip them so they can earn their living at trades or on plantations. He promis to make 10,000 Mexicans indepe to educate as many poor children and to give away a few millions every

year. Already for neveral years he has been a liberal giver to the poor and has built churches and schoolb "To erect monuments, establish libra ries and endow great universities is to but help the rich and their children," he thinks, "but it neither feeds the body, clothes the naked nor saves the to give away much of my wealth before I die, for none of it I can take with me. and only a fool would hords wealth while half the world starves,"

#### MUTUAL SPANKING BEE.

Girls and Boys Spanked In Turn at Football Colobration,

The wildest, noisiest celebration of a football game ever seen in Chicago shok the downtown hotels the other

day, says a Chicago dispatch.

Twenty Minnesota roeters took possession of the Great Northern lobby, session of the Great Northern lobby, dining rooms and corridors. They marched upstairs and down, singing and shouting. Macountering another party of boys and girls from Minne-sots, the loader shouted:

sota, the leader shouted:

"Let's initiate the girls?" adding.

"Girls, it has been decided that each of you be spanked."

Then he esized a stately blond, carefully but firmly placed her across bis knee and gave her a rousing spanking. A second and a third met a similar fate. By this time each boy had a girl across his knees, and amid lenguler, skricks and screams, while the hotel guests looked on, the "first degree" was given.

Then the girls attacked the boys and in many instances administered a bearty coturn for the initiation they had themselves received.

The Pines of Administrative,

It is reported that Japan will see the Druedscught and go Grent Britain \$400 tons better, laying down a left Health of 28,000 tons service displacement. Of course the mintress of the penes will not ignore the shallpage, and we must propage to hear of a Bellish bettleship of \$8,000 tons, mays the Bester ton Transcript. The Japanese, heigh a proud and progressive people, will not still and may be seasted as to push the building samp on their side in to \$8,000 tons. By that time our cryp tag side engineers will be implied to acceptant the inappears will be implied to acceptant the cash for a feeting festioner of \$8,000 tons. So done the race for agree superconcery go, the mind of the composing world being at present these was no other factor to be taken into acceptant.

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Jar Root Rapponings Put Sato Sithy Suragraphs for Busy Readers-The Rows of a Great Commonwealth Condensed. : : : \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Rowan's new jail is to cost \$19,180. It will be completed by next fall.

It is announced that the big Whitney Power Plant on the Yadkin will be ready to deliver power within the next 18 months.

Mr. George Beck, a Davidson county farmer, predicts fifteen snows for this winter, basing his calculations on the fogs in August. H. E. Fries, of Winston-Sa-

lem, has been electen a member of the Southern Educational Board to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. C. D. Mc.

Frazier Jones, a negro, convicted in Guilford Superior Court of murdering his wife on Thanksgiving Day, was sentenced Saturday to be hanged January 15th.

Governor Glenn declines to commute the sentence of Ben Williams, the negro who killed Aleck Clark, another negro, last Pebruary, He is under sentence to be hanged Dec. 20th.

A jury in Forsyth Superior Court has rendered a verdict in favor of Mrs. R. E. Lassiter against the Southern Railway for \$1,066 66 for injury to the plaintiff's health resulting from being forced to ride in a cold

#### Cotton Mill Cases.

Judge Boyd, in Federal Court at Charlotte Saturday, transfer-red the cases against Messra, T. M. Costello, E. A. Smith, S. B. Sargent and E. C. Dwelle, wellknown Charlotte cotton mill men, for violation of the contract labor laws to the Circuit Court at Greensboro, Jan. 14th, when attorneys for the defense will argue the case on demurrers. Bonds of \$1,000 each were required of each of the defendants.

#### To Begin Work Next Spring.

Congressman Webb Saturday had a conference with Secretary Taft regarding the monument to be erected on the Kings Moun-tain battle-field for which \$30,-000 was appropriated at the last session of Cougress. Active work on the monument, it is stated, will begin next spring. Mr. Taft requested Mr. Webb to bring to the Department the titles to the land purchased for this purpose by the Kings Mountain Battle Ground Association, after which a commission will be appointed to confer with the association committee regarding designs, inscriptions, etc.

Several important changes for

#### Shake-up on Southern.

the improvement of the Southern Railway's service are announced to become effective January 1st. The boundaries of the several divisions will be contracted in order that the superintendents personal supervision over them. The number of division superintendents is to be increased from 14 to 27. A new office, that of superintendent of transfers, has been established and Mr. Gatchell, of Nashville, Tenn., put in charge. He will look after the proper transfer of freight at junction points. President Pinley also announces that early in Jannary some of the passenger schedules will be revised, being made slower. This is taken to mean that the road will make schedules which it can keep. It is also announced that the double-tracking is being pushed with all possible speed.

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J. Y. Miller,

J. Y. MILLING, R. W. EDWARDS, This 3d day of Dec., 1906. —J4clmo.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of George E. Hoover deceased, late of Gaston County. N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the extent of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 6th day of Hevember, 1907.

or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate pay-ment. H. C. HOOVER, Administrator, This November 6, 1906.

#### Sale of Real Estate Under Bend of Trust.

North Carolina. Caston Country. J. Under and by virtue of a certain, deed of trust duly executed on the 17th day of July. 1903, by A. B. Rhyne and his wife. Sarah Rhyne, conveying to the undersigned, trustee, all their right, title and interest in and to the lands described herein, to secure the payment of certain bonds executed in fewor of W. T. Love Company and J. A. Glens Company, which said deed is duly recorded in the office of the Ragistar of Deeds of Gaston Country, in Book No. 51 at page 345 et seq. default having been made, and having been duly requested by the said J. A. Glens Company to sell the same. I will on Monday, January the 7th, 1907,

Monday, Jeannry the 7th, 1907,

Manday, January the 7th, 1907,
at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, at the Court
House door in Dallas, N. C., seil at public
auction for cash, the following lands in
Geston County, attnated in the eastern part
of the Town of Gastonia, on the street leading to the macadam road leading to Lowell,
adioining the lands of the Modena Cotton
Mills. J. Robert Craig, Craig and Wilson
and others, and more particularly bounded
and described as follows: mussely,
Beginning at the eastern corner of J.
Robert Craig's lot, in the center line of the
Southern Railroad track: Thence N. 30W,
along the said Craig line, seven hundred
and eighteen (718) fact to Craig's north
corner; thence along J. D. Moore's line, N.
17R, one hundred and forty and one half
(140%) feet to a stake at the north corner;
thence S. 39E, seven hundred and cightyfour (781) feet to the center of the Southern
Railroad track; Themce along the acid railroad; 8. 45/kW, one hundred and seventeen
(117) feet to the beginning, containing two
acres, the hald lands being the lands on
which is situated the store house occupied
by B. G. hhyne and Company and the mill
of A. B. Rhyne.

Ono. W. Wilson, Trustee.

Dated, this the 1st day of December, 1900,

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