

GASTONIA, N. C., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1907

YORK AND YORKVILLE.

What's Doing Among our Neighbors Just Across the Line.

Yorkville Enquirer, Feb. 15th.
Messrs. W. R. Carroll, W. S. Wilkerson and W. B. Good have been selected as arbitrators as to certain differences among the members of the firm of Hill, Kennedy & Co., of Sharon.

Mr. J. B. F. Riddle of the Bowling Green neighborhood, was in Yorkville today for the first time in five or six years. Mr. Riddle continues to enjoy very good health; but tells his friends that he feels that he is a "little short of wind." He has numerous friends and acquaintances in Yorkville and during his stay was kept busy shaking hands with them.

Several weeks ago Mackey Chapter, No. 15, Royal Arch Masons was reorganized under a special dispensation from the Grand Chapter of South Carolina; but from now on will work under a charter, the charter having been authorized by the Grand Chapter which was in session in Charleston Tuesday of this week. Dr. J. Allison representing the local lodge. The officers who were appointed under the dispensation were as follows: Dr. J. B. Allison, high priest; H. C. Strauss, king; W. W. Lewis, scribe. The lodge will now be reorganized with an election of officers under the charter.

There is more sickness throughout this section at this time than there has been for several years. Grip is the prevalent malady. One physician told the reporter on Wednesday that he had seen as many as sixty cases during the day, in many instances whole families being down. Although not quite so severe the epidemic is fully as extensive as that of 1891. There have been numerous cases of pneumonia.

Local authorities seem to be of opinion that the fruit crop is still safe up to this time. For a while it looked as if the warm weather would coax fruit trees to bloom and the frost that must come later would be sure to get in its work. But the cold coming on just as the trees were about getting ready to put forth, has resulted in a condition that will retard actual blooming to later than would have otherwise been the case.

Calvin Moore, a negro, was Friday sentenced in Mecklenburg Superior Court to seven years in the penitentiary for burglary in the second degree.

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WHY SMALL BOY WANTED BANK.

Common Sense Sermon on Benefits of Saving Preached by a Mechanic—The Bank as a Life-saver—Wife's Little Hoard Kept Family Going When Sickness Came.

The first person to enter the office of The Gazette this morning after the office force were a small boy and his father. The lad was a diminutive youngster of some 11 or 12 years and when he had applied for one of the pocket banks that The Gazette is giving its readers who desire to start a savings bank account on Saturday, was refused until he had the sanction of his parents. The father came to make the sanction sure. He said: "The little fellow picks up a considerable bit of money in one way and another, selling papers and sometimes working in a store. He wants to save it and, after paying for his clothes, his mother and I want him to. He has several dollars now and would like to have his own bank account." The boy got the bank, of course. The father is a mechanic, who owns his home and his wife has a tidy savings bank account of her own.

"I owe the home to the woman," he said. "She started saving long before I knew anything about it and when sickness came some years ago and I was out of work she told me and I was a happy man. After I got to work again I helped her more towards the savings bank than I had before and we have always got along well by having something ahead. That's why I want the little fellow to get the habit while he's young. Then he'll always keep it."

There was a whole sermon on the necessities and benefits of the savings bank in those few words. The forethought of the wife in the days of steady work and good health, in saving something for the rainy day that did come, as it always will; the sickness and misfortune that generally comes at some time or another with almost every one; the little hoard that carries the family over the emergency and the added hope and determination with which husband and wife again begun the struggle which has resulted in their owning their own home and in having enough laid by to keep the wolf from the door if he should come prowling about it in the future; what more could be said?

"Money a mickle makes a muckle" is an old Scotch proverb that any person who starts a savings account will do well to keep in mind. It does not need any great sacrifice to save money, only the looking after the pennies, nickles and dimes that we practically waste by spending them when we have no need of doing so. It is just such persons as these that The Gazette designs to help in the way of saving. The Gazette believes every man, woman and child can save something and would be the more happy and contented with a savings bank account. So much does The Gazette believe this that it is ready to give away \$300 to the first 250 persons who will take advantage of its offer. All you have to do to get in on this, if you have not already a savings bank account, is to come to The Gazette office and pay \$1.50 for a year's subscription in advance and get one of the handsome little pocket banks, which is given away free along with an order which will add twenty-

five cents to the first deposit of one dollar or more. That is The Gazette will give each person who starts a savings account of one dollar or more 25 cents to help him or her along. This bonus, like the little pocket bank, is absolutely free. The Gazette does not handle your money; the savings bank does that and you control it, as you keep possession of your own bank book and make your deposits as often as you wish or as you fill the pocket bank, which is the handiest way possible for saving small change. Out-of-town readers can have the same opportunity by sending in ten cents additional to cover cost of package and postage and the bank and the order for the 25 cents will be mailed to them and they can either call at the bank to make their deposit or transact the business by mail as thousands of people are doing every day.

George Hasty, who shot and killed two male members of a theatrical company at Gaffney, S. C., in a hotel conducted by his brother, must serve his life sentence in the South Carolina penitentiary, according to a decision handed down a few days ago by the Supreme Court of the State affirming the decision of the lower court.

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