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NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

North Carolina, Superior Court, Gaston County, before the Clerk. Ida Rozelle and W. B. Rutledge, administrator of the estate of Ben Hoke, deceased.

Eliza Hall and her husband, Joe Hall, Irene Springs and her husband, Henry Springs, Onsey Berry and her husband, Berry, Louisa McKane and her husband, Albert McKane, Lizzie McCartheren and her husband, William McCartheren, Sam Rhyne, Ed Johnson, May Johnson, Charlie Johnson, George Johnson and Ethel Johnson, Clara Martin, Sadie Martin, — Martin, — Martin, Ephraim Martin, — Johnson.

The defendants, Irene Springs and her husband, Henry Springs, Onsey Berry and her husband, — Berry, Eph Martin, Sam Rhyne, — Hoke, John Hoke, Lizzie McCartheren and her husband, William McCartheren, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Gaston County, North Carolina, for the purpose of selling for partition among the plaintiff and defendants, that certain tract of land situated in South Point Township, Gaston County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of M. H. Rhyne, Fred Armstrong and others, containing about 15 acres more or less, and which is fully described in the petition now on file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Gaston County, North Carolina, and in which said defendants have an interest; and said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Gaston County, at the court house in the town of Dallas, North Carolina, on the

4th day of January, 1908, and answer or demur to the verified petition which is now on file therein or the relief demanded in said petition will be granted. This the 20th day of November, 1907. J. S. MANSLEY, Clerk Superior Court Gaston County.

Notice of Sale of Crowders Mountain Cotton Mills.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Gaston County, North Carolina, made at November term, 1907, in the action therein pending wherein J. M. Willis is plaintiff and Crowders Mountain Cotton Mills and all its stockholders and creditors are defendants, will be sold to the highest bidder, at public auction, on the premises at Pulpitburg, Gaston County, North Carolina, at noon, on

Monday, January 20th, 1908.

all the real estate and tangible personal property of the Crowders Mountain Cotton Mills, consisting of about 208 3/4 acres of land, on which is situated a brick cotton mill, dam, flume, water-wheel, flume, fire protection, steam plant, dynamo, 1 two-compartment warehouse, 1 brick store and adjoining building, waste house, 38 cottages, a stock of general merchandise, and the following machinery, viz: One two-beater breaker lapper; one single-beater finisher lapper; nine 40-inch cards; twelve Delivery Frames; one Slobber; 68 spindles; two Intermediate; 174 spindles; five Pine Frames; 608 spindles; 19 Spinning Frames; 3,952 spindles; 2 Spoilers; 190 spindles; 4 Reels; 2 Draper Beaters; 121 Lowell Looms with reed and harness; 1 Slobber; 1 Brush and Folder; 1 press; pulleys, belting, shafting, hangers &c., complete and now in operation; together with any and all other visible or tangible property, now owned by said company.

This Cotton Mill can be seen and examined at any time upon application to the undersigned or to the Superintendent in charge.

Terms of Sale: One-third of the purchase price to be paid in cash on the consummation of the sale, and one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months, the latter deferred payments to bear interest from consummation, with privilege to purchaser to anticipate said payments; the purchaser to deposit with the Receiver the sum of five thousand dollars on date of sale, to guarantee compliance with the terms thereof upon confirmation by the Court. Upon confirmation and payment of one-third of the price the property will be delivered to the purchaser (in case he does not desire to pay all cash) to be operated by him at his own risk, but such purchaser will be required to keep such property insured in the sum for which it is now insured in the name of the Receiver so as to fully protect the parties in interest from loss or damage. This the 27th day of November, 1907. J. S. MANSLEY, Receiver and Commissioner.

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AS IT LOOKS TO AN OUTSIDER.

What a Tennessean Thinks of Gastonia and its People—An Industrious, Hustling and Progressive Community.

Col. W. B. Stewart, of Dunlap, Tenn., who has been spending the Christmas holidays here with relatives, when asked by The Gazette man what he thought of our town replied that it is one of the most progressive communities he has seen anywhere. Colonel Stewart is a well-known young attorney of East Tennessee and is in close touch with the industrial, social and political life of the Volunteer State.

Speaking of Gastonia he said: "This is one of the most progressive towns it has been my fortune to see in a long time, evinces a healthy growth and shows a commendable public spirit.

"The first thing which attracts a stranger's attention anywhere is the schools and churches. There can be no substantial town without both. This you have in Gastonia. Especially in churches, your town is far ahead of most towns of its size.

"The many mills around shows that your town is pushing forward with the characteristic energy of the other towns of the cotton belt, and has a greater number of cotton mills than most towns of its size. This shows that the town is fully awake and has been hustling for these industries, while some of her neighbors have been asleep.

"Few people realize the great importance of the South as a manufacturing county, especially as to cotton factories. With the opening up of the Panama canal we have a foreign market for all goods that is almost unlimited. You cannot begin to calculate the money which will come to us for these goods. Your town seems to be alive to the situation and will grow with rapid strides along the lines already begun.

"Your town does not need diversified industries so much as the thorough development of the cotton business. Make this your specialty. Get more mills, make all kinds of cotton goods and you will do well enough. "With your many natural advantages for this character of business, with the progressive spirit of your town your success for the future is assured. Gastonia should and I believe will be one of the best towns in the State within a short time."

Never can tell when you'll mash a finger or suffer a cut, bruise, burn or scald. Be prepared. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil instantly relieves the pain—quickly cures the wound.

REAL ESTATE DEALS.

Gastonia Insurance & Realty Co.
Buys Tract of Land on New Hope Road—Other Deals.

Last week the Gastonia Insurance & Realty Co. made several transactions in Gaston dirt, notwithstanding the fact that it was Christmas week and business dull in most all lines.

One of these transactions was the sale of the Ed Berry place, in the Union neighborhood, which this company purchased recently at a commissioner's sale. It was sold to Mr. J. B. Biggers, of York county, S. C., who will build a home and move his family there to reside.

This company also sold to Messrs. Craig and Sloan Rhyne a house and lot on Second street. A purchase made by the company was that of a tract of twenty-five acres of land south of town on the New Hope road.

There is always more or less going in real estate circles in Gastonia but the fact that, at a dull season like the present and right on the heels of a so-called panic, property sales are active speaks much for financial conditions and prospects in Gastonia.

Force to be Doubled.

The new president of the Whitney Company visited the plant a few days ago, and the announcement was made following his visit that on the first of the year the force will be doubled and the work pushed to completion so that a distribution of the power may begin on July 1st, according to the long announced programme.

Tobacco is served out to the Italian soldiers as a part of their regular rations.

SOCIAL

Items intended for this column should be phoned to No. 50. If you know any social news please call us up.

The following interesting description of the Balthis-Dixon wedding is from Sunday's News and Observer:

With the happiest surroundings most auspicious of the future was the beautiful wedding ceremony celebrated yesterday at noon in Edenton Street Methodist church, when Miss Pearl Dixon, daughter of Dr. B. F. Dixon, the State Auditor, became the bride of Mr. William Leonard Balthis, a prominent young business man of Gastonia.

The wedding tableau was a most lovely one. The church had in it a great throng of relatives and friends, there being present among these the Governor and other State officers, associates of Dr. Dixon and their families. The decorative effects were exquisite, the massed ornamentation of palms, ferns, magnolia leaves and flowers forming a background for the bridal party assembled in front of the chancel. Without were the artistic decorations, which extended also to the front of the organ gallery. Behind this screen of wedding music, effectively rendered by Mrs. Charles V. Albright, who as a processional gave the wedding march from Lohengrin and as a recessional Mendelssohn's wedding march.

The giving of the vows was impressive, the ring being used in the ceremony. This as a joint ceremony in which parts of the wedding ritual were alternately given by Rev. Plato Durham, of Charlotte, brother of the bride, and by Rev. W. H. Hardin, of Gastonia, rector of the Episcopal church at the home of the groom. During the giving and the taking of the vows Mrs. Albright rendered softly and sweetly the Traumerie of Schumann, the soft melody of the great organ adding to the impressive words of the two ministers.

As the first notes of the wedding march from Lohengrin were heard there entered the church by twos, ten young ladies, special friends of the bride, all attired in white, these being Mrs. Plato Durham, of Charlotte, Misses Louise Pittinger, Mary Carter Ray, Susan Clark, Elizabeth Briggs, Ellen Durham, Rebekah Glenn, Irene Lacy, Bessie Brown and Josephine Brown. These were escorted to a double row of front seats and after they were seated there entered the bridal party.

The bridal attendants entered in alternate couples of groomsmen and bridesmaids and passed from the church in couples, a groomsmen and a bridesmaid, the professional being Mr. Ben F. Dixon, of King's Mountain, with Hon. A. G. Mangum, of Gastonia; Miss Elizabeth L. Balthis of Baltimore, with Miss Lottie Ray, of McAdenville; Mr. Wright Dixon, of Raleigh, with Mr. L. C. Pegram, of Gastonia;

PECULIAR PROPERTIES OF NEW MEDICINE

Cooper Preparation Attracts Widespread Attention by Expelling Internal Parasites.

The interest created in leading cities during the past year by young Mr. Cooper with his new preparation, is largely accounted for by a peculiar quality possessed by this medicine, which he calls his New Discovery. Mr. Cooper believes that internal parasites, or tapeworms, are responsible for much ill health, and it is an undoubted fact that his medicine has expelled immense numbers of these creatures in various cities visited by him. The young man also believes that stomach trouble is the main cause of all ill health. He claims that few can have poor health with a good digestion. He further claims that his New Discovery medicine does nothing but tone up the stomach, yet it not only expels the parasites, but relieves many other ailments not as a rule associated with stomach trouble. Little Jessie Birdsall, daughter of Mrs. Ida Birdsall, living at 2138 Carroll Avenue, Chicago, is among many relieved of a large parasite by Mr. Cooper's preparation during his stay in that city. In speaking of the matter to Mr. Cooper, the mother said: "My child Jessie, who is fourteen years old, has been suffering with this trouble for over seven years. Until this morning we did not know what

Miss Lottie Blake, of Gastonia, with Evelyn Balthis, of Baltimore. These bridesmaids were each gowned in white organdie lisse, black gloves and black picture hats, with shower bouquets of maiden hair ferns. After these entered the ring bearer, dainty petite Margaret Durham, of Charlotte, niece of the bride, a little fairy in white organdie lace with the ring on a white satin pillow. Then entered the dame of honor, Mrs. S. J. Durham, of Bessemer City, handsomely gowned in white liberty satin, black gloves and black hat, her shower bouquet of daisies being tied with long streamers of yellow ribbon.

As the groom and his best man, Mr. Arthur M. Dixon, of Gastonia, entered from the rear of the church the bride slowly passed up the aisle on the arm of her father. She was exquisitely gowned in white mesaline princess lace fillet net embroidered in orchids, white hat with plumes and aigrettes and carried a beautiful shower bouquet of lilies of the valley.

After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Balthis left for a northern wedding trip and will later be at home in Gastonia. The bride is a charming and attractive young woman of culture, noted for her sweet personality, a daughter of Dr. B. F. Dixon, State Auditor. She is a graduate of the Greensboro Female College and has made her home of late years, both in Bessemer City and Raleigh, where she is greatly esteemed, having friends throughout the State. Mr. Balthis is a prominent, energetic and popular young business man of Gastonia, engaged in the cotton brokerage business, in which he has attained success. Many handsome and valuable wedding gifts were tokens of the popularity of the young couple, among these being a silver service from the parents of the bride, a mahogany chest of silver from her brother, meat platter and carving set from the officers of State associated with her father.

Among the out-of-town guests here for the wedding were: Rev. and Mrs. Plato Durham and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Durham and daughter, Miss Margaret, of Charlotte; Mr. Ben F. Dixon, Jr., of Kings Mountain; Miss Lottie Blake and Mr. Arthur Dixon, of Gastonia; Miss Lottie Ray, of McAdenville; Misses Elizabeth and Evelyn Balthis, of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Durham and sons, Masters John and Plato, of Bessemer City.

Misses Kate Cody, of Yorkville, S. C., and Miss Ethel Hicks, of Charlotte, spent the holidays at their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Swan are expected home this week from Augusta, Ga., where they spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

CHRISTMAS AT LOWELL.

Several Students at Home for the Holidays—Personal and News Notes from Gastonia's Nearby Neighbor.

Lowell, N. C. Dec. 28.—Christmas has come and like many of the nations of the earth we are celebrating it.

In the year A. D. 325, by order of the Emperor, the council of Nice established the 25th day of December as the birth of Christ and since that day the 25th of December has been observed as the birthday of the Babe of Bethlehem. The exact date of Christ's birth is unknown but the date is immaterial; it is the unspeakable gift of mankind.

The following students are home spending the holidays with parents: Messrs Coit Robinson and Will Baker, from Davidson College; Mr. Grady Gaston, from Trinity College, Durham.

Mr. P. P. Murphy left Saturday, December 21st, for his old home in Atkinson, N. C., to visit his sisters and brothers.—Mr. Lon Groves, of Albemarle, is visiting his brother and father for a few days.—Miss Gertrude Honeycutt, who is teaching at Polkton and Miss Corrie Honeycutt are spending the holidays with parents.—Messrs Fred and Lester Dameron, of Charlotte, were in town Wednesday visiting friends returning Thursday.—Mr. Bud Willet and family, of Colemece, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Harris.—Misses Mable and Una Patrick, of Union vicinity are visiting Miss Aurelia Hand this week.—Mr. J. Linwood Robinson went to Rutherfordton Thursday to visit friends.—Messrs. Grady and Harry Gaston went Thursday to Kings Mountain to visit friends.—Misses Kate and Mabel Padgett, of Gastonia, are visiting Miss Myrtle Titman this week.—Miss Kate Torrence, of Charlotte, is visiting Miss Mabel Leonhardt for a week or two.—Mr. Frank Phillips, is spending a few days in Raleigh with friends.—Miss Lottie Ray attended the Balthis Dixon wedding at Raleigh this week.—Rev. G. L. Cook is spending a few days with Rev. R. A. Miller. Mr. Cook recently returned from Europe where he spent several months.

When winds shriek high in fiendish glee, And enters winter with his key Protect yourself, from disease be free; Take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. J. H. Kennedy V Co.

OSCAR SISK CAPTURED.

One of Men Believed to be Guilty of Assassination of Revenue Officer Hendricks Taken into Custody. Greensboro Special to Charlotte Observer, 28th.

Oscar Sisk, the man who is accused of shooting and killing Revenue Officer J. W. Hendricks at Smithtown, Stokes county, last Friday and for whom a reward of \$1,000 was offered, was captured to-day in Stokes county and is now in jail at Danbury. A long-distance telephone message from that place this afternoon to the office of United States Marshal J. M. Millikan conveyed this information, and Sisk will be brought here to-morrow on the noon train and turned over to Marshal Millikan, who will commit him to jail in this city to await trial before Judge James E. Boyd in United States Court. The next regular term of United States Court in Greensboro will not be held until next April, but a special term may be held earlier to try Sisk. There is also a reward of \$100 for Jim Smith, a notorious moonshiner of Smithtown, and a reward of \$500 for John Hill also of Smithtown, both of whom are thought to be accomplices of Sisk. The particulars of the killing of Mr. Hendricks are well known, it having occurred during a raid by a posse of revenue officers on moonshiners at Smithtown.

Death at Arlington.

Mr. Robert P. Glasgo, aged 27, an operative at the Arlington Mill, died Sunday at the home of his sister at the mill of acute congestion of the lungs. The body was shipped yesterday morning on No. 36 to his old home at Charlotte for burial. Deceased was a single man and had been employed at the Arlington for some time.

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