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Personal and Locals.

Long, of Spencer, was here on business.

Dr. I. J. Hall and Mr. F. S. Cole, of Hales, spent Sunday here.

Mr. George Willis spent Sunday with friends at Rutherfordton.

Cotton seed has advanced to 50 cents on the local market.

Mr. Arthur Winget spent Sunday at Pineville.

Mrs. George W. Wilson spent yesterday in Charlotte.

Mr. W. O. Ruddock, formerly with the Torrence-Morris Co. has gone to Charlotte to work.

Mr. E. D. Kelley, of Mount Holly, was a business visitor in Gastonia Saturday.

Mr. Ralph Rankin will return to Chapel Hill this week after spending the holidays with homefolks here.

Mr. C. Buff, of Lincolnton, was here on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. L. T. McLean, last week.

Mr. M. C. Arrowood, of Kings Mountain, route one, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

Mr. Robert Love, of Chester, S. C., was the guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Moore.

Miss Bessie Johnson is visiting Miss Cora Smith and Miss Jennie Hoffman at Columbia, S. C.

There are fewer business changes in Gastonia than usual for the first of the year.

Mr. O. B. Robinson left yesterday for Hickory to resume his studies at Lenoir College.

Good morning: Are you still wearing your New Year's resolutions?

Miss Agnes Puett, of Lenoir, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ahn for the past two weeks at this morning to her home.

Pauline Gwaltney, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson, returned yesterday to her home.

O. B. Robinson returned to Hickory to resume his studies at Lenoir College after spending the holidays with homefolks here.

Mrs. Haney Stroup and Will Lowell, left Saturday for Middle, Ga., to enter the Millington Telegraph School.

This early in the year there are few business houses adorning their fronts.

John Lewis is building a comfortable cottage at Belmont, which he will occupy as soon as completed.

W. D. Babinpton, of Shelby, was here yesterday in Gastonia and left for Charlotte on Monday afternoon.

Benjamin W. Atkins left for Barboursville, W. Va., spending the holidays here with his family.

H. E. Johnson, a well-to-do farmer and a magistrate of Bethel, York county, was in town yesterday.

Most of the young folks who have returned to their respective institutions and are again down to work.

Burt Dettler, a freight conductor on the Southern running between Charlotte and Greenville, S. C., was a visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

Meeting of the stockholders of the Gastonia Mutual Building and Loan Association will be held at the hotel on Thursday afternoon, 8th, at 3 o'clock.

Hallie Torrence, who has been spending the Christmas holidays at home here, will return today to Spartanburg to resume her studies at Converse College.

One of the best serial stories ever published in a newspaper will be published in the "Fourth Estate" which will appear in the Gazette next Tuesday.

Don't fail to read it.

J. L. Pettus, a well-to-do farmer, Belmont, was a visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

Mr. Pettus lived in the Bethel, York county.

Program left yesterday to resume her duties here in the graded school after the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Pettus.

Cora Clarke left yesterday for Lincolnton, where she

will spend a few days with friends. From Lincolnton she will go to Dandridge, Tenn., where she expects to spend several months.

Mr. Charles W. Adams, son of Dr. Charles E. Adams, who has been spending the holidays here, leaves today for Staunton, Va., to resume his studies in the Staunton Military Academy.

Mr. R. C. Williams, an expert engraver and jewelry repairer, has accepted a position with the Torrence-Morris Co. and went to work the first. Mr. Williams comes from Monroe. He and Mrs. Williams are boarding at the Pogram house.

Rev. John Hall will preach for the congregation at Chapel Lutheran church east of town Sunday, January 9, at 11 a. m. At this time the congregation expects to choose a pastor to succeed Rev. W. A. Deaton, who recently resigned.

Miss Ethel Baker, of Greensboro, has assumed the duties of chief operator at the central office of the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Co. Miss Lillie Brown has been added to the operating force at the central office also.

Mr. C. L. White, one of our good subscribers at Kings Mountain, in renewing his subscription says: "I think your paper shows marked improvement for the past half of the year." Such words as these are highly esteemed by the editors.

Rev. C. Y. Love, of Statesville, who has been secured by the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church to supply their pulpit while the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, takes a needed rest, preached a most thoughtful and delightful sermon Sunday morning.

Miss Marie Torrence spent Christmas week in Greensboro as the guest of Miss Sadie Royster, who entertained a number of her young friends with a house party. The week previous she attended the coming-out party of Miss Katherine Kramer at Charlotte, which was quite an elaborate holiday social event.

The merchants who will do the biggest and best business in Gastonia during the year 1910 will be the merchants who advertise persistently in The Gazette. It's the only way they can reach the buying people of Gastonia county. Try it, Mr. Merchant, and you will find that we know just what we are talking about.

Miss Bryte Baker returned to her home at Kings Mountain Saturday after being the guest for a few days of Mrs. W. J. Clifford here. Miss Baker delighted the audience at the second production of "Alice in Wonderland" at the school auditorium Friday night by her recitation, which was one of the several attractive and interesting specialties put on.

Prof. E. M. Wilson, of Haverford College, Haverford, Pa.; Prof. R. N. Wilson, of Guilford College; Dr. L. R. Wilson, librarian of the University at Chapel Hill, and Miss Alice Wilson, of Lenoir, visited their brother, Attorney Geo. W. Wilson, last week. Dr. L. R. Wilson attended the annual meeting of the Southern Educational Association at Charlotte and read a paper before the convention.

Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, spent Sunday here with his sister, Mrs. R. C. Warren, returning home yesterday morning. Mrs. C. R. Hoey and Capt. S. A. Hoey, who spent several days here with Mr. and Mrs. Warren, returned to Shelby yesterday afternoon. Mr. John E. Hoey of Faison, also spent Sunday here with them. He is a cousin of Mrs. Warren.

Mr. H. Schneider is having the interior of his store re-arranged and will in the future occupy the second floor as well as the first with his retail business. This was rendered necessary by the addition of the large stock of goods of the Kendrick-Torrence Co. which he recently purchased. The clothing department will be moved upstairs and the downstairs will be used for dry goods, notions, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Coon's two little girls, Lucile and Regina, are under quarantine at Hickory. They went up to spend the holidays with their grandmother, Mrs. W. E. Miller, and while there Mrs. Miller was stricken with smallpox. As a result they will not be able to return home until the quarantine against them is raised. In a conversation over the phone with Mr. Miller Saturday Mr. Coon was informed that there were eighty cases of smallpox at Hickory.

BINGHAM SCHOOL NOTES.

Personal Items—Distinguished Students—New Students.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MEBANE, Jan. 1.—The Christmas holidays have been very pleasantly though quietly spent at Bingham School. Messrs. Wheeler, of Oklahoma, Delaney, of Florida, and Goldsby of Arkansas, remained at school, while Mr. Cabral, of Brazil, went to South Carolina visiting relatives of Major Hobson.

President and Mrs. Gray with several of the children spent several days in Greensboro shopping. They had a pleasant time and speak in warm terms of the excellences of Hotel McAdoo and its management, where they stopped. Miss Margaret Freeman, the school stenographer, enjoyed several days vacation at her home in Burlington. Capt. Maugans, the commercial teacher, returned to his home in Maryland for the holidays, taking cadet Joe C. Long, with him. Capt. S. B. M. Ghiselin, teacher of science, French, etc., returned for the holidays to his home in West Virginia.

Miss Juanita Noblitt, of Old Fort, has just arrived at the school to help in the work of shorthand, bookkeeping and teaching. Miss Noblitt is spoken of in highest terms by those for whom she has worked in the past and it is expected that her presence will be a valuable addition to the working force at Bingham.

The students distinguished in studies and scholarship on the last report, which was mailed yesterday, are as follows, the names being given in the order of their standing:

Isabella Gray, Eugene Sykes, Paul Gwyn, Carey Dowd, Herbert Gray, Albert Holmes, Ralph Holmes, Gerard King, James Holmes, Leonard Weessel, Kessler Cobb, Bruce Cameron, Walter Killough, Miles Goldsby, Lucy Morrow, Olin Caldwell, Robert Guthrie, Carl Moore, Edgar Woodley, Nathaniel Cabral, Harry Gardner, Bingham Gray, Preston Gray, Joe Long, William Ralph, Bessie Craig, Robert Franklin, Frank Jones, Fred Morton, and Donald Powell.

It is expected that almost if not every one of the old boys will be back in school after Christmas and no doubt several new students with them as there has been considerable correspondence from prospective patrons in regard to entering their sons. Among others, Mr. Otto Frye who entered Bingham school some years ago from Central America and who is now living in Brooklyn, N. Y., will return. Another old patron greatly pleased President Gray by writing that he wishes to return his son after Christmas to the Bingham School near Mebane, since, after trying two other schools and one college, he had found the conditions at Bingham more to his liking than anywhere else.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LOWELL, Jan. 3.—The surveyors of the trolley line had their headquarters here last week. Mrs. Frank Robinson entertained a number of friends Saturday evening in honor of her sisters, Misses Emma, Freddie and Flossie Stieles, of Mooresville. Messrs. Coit Robinson and Gilmer Leonhardt were in Gastonia Thursday. Miss Bessie Cox was the guest of Miss Estelle Rankin, of Gastonia, last week. Miss Grace Titman, of Lowryville, who has been visiting Miss Myrtle Titman, returned home Thursday. Misses Mamie Ford and Kate Ford were Gastonia visitors Thursday. Mrs. W. H. Holmes visited relatives in Bessemer City last week. Miss Mary Wilson, of the Union section, was the guest of Miss Myrtle Titman last week. Messrs. John C. Rankin and Linwood Robinson were Gastonia visitors Thursday. Miss Nannie Warren, of Mount Holly, spent a few days with her brother, Mr. Newton Warren, last week. Miss Grace Cochran, of New Hope, visited Miss Nellie Titman during the Christmas holidays. Mr. P. W. Hand and Mr. T. P. Rankin were business visitors in Gastonia Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Hall Hand, of Pineville, who have been visiting relatives, returned home Monday. Miss Laura Featherston, who underwent a successful operation at St. Peter's hospital last week, is doing very well.

Mr. P. P. Murphy spent the Christmas holidays with relatives at Alkinson. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen, of Lucia, spent the week end with her

sister, Mrs. Long.—Mr. D. W. Mitchem was a Charlotte visitor Saturday. Mr. D. H. Stowe, of Belmont, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hand last week. Rev. W. E. McIlwaine, of Charlotte, was the guest of Rev. R. A. Miller and preached in the Presbyterian church Sunday night. The Misses Thornburg, of Bessemer City, were the guests of Mrs. W. H. Holmes last week. Mr. John Broom visited relatives in Yorkville Saturday. Mr. Dan Jenkins, of Charlotte, was in town Saturday. The waste house at the mill caught fire Sunday night but by heroic efforts it was soon extinguished.

A MESSAGE TO FARMERS.

Dr. Knapp's Address at Charlotte, N. C., Will Deal With Rural Property.

A great deal of interest has been manifested, editorially and otherwise, throughout the South, in the coming tour of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp of the Department of Agriculture in January, and many inquiries have been received by him asking what topics he will discuss on this journey. Dr. Knapp has very kindly consented to furnish the farmers, and through the press the farmers, with the subjects of his addresses.

At Charlotte, N. C., where he will speak on January 11, at 2:30 p. m., his topic will be "How to Make a State in Which the Rural Masses Will Prosper." His object in this address is to impress upon the farmers of North Carolina some definite line of work which, if consistently followed, will make North Carolina, with all its natural resources, a great State in which the rural masses will be prosperous.

The same general method will be pursued in the addresses in the several States, outlining in each such policies as are most important and applicable to the rural population.

JURY LIST.

Names of Jurors Chosen for February Term of Gaston Superior Court.

The following are the names of the Jurors drawn by the county commissioners at their regular January meeting to serve at the February term of Gaston Superior Court, which convenes at Dallas on the 28th of February:

FIRST WEEK.

J. R. Ross, Mount Holly.
E. B. Brittain, Gastonia.
C. E. Tucker, Belmont.
A. F. Henry, Cherryville.
E. L. Little, Gastonia.
J. W. Bumgardner, South Point.
W. H. Crocker, Cherryville.
T. L. Craig, Gastonia.
Math Quinn, Crowders Mountain.
J. H. Garrett, Crowders Mountain.
R. G. Brown, Cherryville.
E. F. Ormand, Crowders Mountain.
George Wright, South Point.
W. E. Farnsworth, Cherryville.
J. W. Capps, South Point.
W. S. Stowe, South Point.
Lee L. Bryson, South Point.
R. H. Thomas, South Point.
W. V. Ramsour, Crowders Mountain.
J. W. Atkins, Gastonia.
W. M. Boyce, Gastonia.
S. C. Sipe, Cherryville.
J. A. Hager, Cherryville.
S. Elmer Spencer, Gastonia.
W. S. McKee, South Point.
J. Boyce McGill, Crowders Mountain.
J. O. Rankin, Gastonia.
J. P. Brison, South Point.
R. L. Rector, Dallas.
P. R. Falls, Gastonia.
D. A. Roberts, South Point.
B. T. Morris, Gastonia.
B. F. S. Austin, Gastonia.
Perry Dover, Gastonia.
R. B. Shields, Gastonia.

SECOND WEEK.

S. W. Wilson, South Point.
E. O. Webb, Dallas.
Charles Lineberger, Dallas.
J. D. Cole, River Bend.
L. A. T. McGinnas, Cherryville.
E. Hope Adams, Gastonia.
J. A. Smith, Crowders Mountain.
P. R. Huffstetler, Gastonia.
S. N. Craig, South Point.
J. H. Curry, South Point.
George F. Beam, Cherryville.
John R. Hallman, Cherryville.
W. E. Gardner, Cherryville.
W. M. Costner, Cherryville.
R. L. Stowe, South Point.
W. D. Crawford, Gastonia.
R. A. Love, Gastonia.
J. M. Williams, Gastonia.

1909 A GOOD YEAR.

Gastonia Has Made Good Progress Along Many Lines—General Business Has Been Good and Outlook for Future is Bright.

Gastonia has no kick against 1909. The year which died Friday at midnight was a good year for the town and was a good year for the county. The business men generally, we believe, have been well pleased with the volume of business, the recuperation from the panicky days of the year previous having been as rapid or more so than had been expected. The same is doubtless true of every town in the county. The farmers, too, have had a good year. The cotton crop was considerably off in quantity but the price received for the staple was such as to largely offset the deficit in the number of bales. Every product of the farm—corn, wheat, hay, truck, poultry, eggs, butter, in fact everything the farmer produces—has brought a good price, there having been a steady increase in the selling price of practically every article mentioned and others beside.

In Gastonia the year just closed has witnessed a number of improvements and forward movements which foretell even larger things for the future. Among the number a few which come to mind as this is written—this does not purport to be a complete catalogue of them by any means—are the following, viz:

Gastonia was made the county seat by a vote of the people; a site was purchased, the contract let and work commenced excavating for the foundation.

Dirt was broken for a street railway system to be constructed by a \$300,000 corporation which had previously been granted a franchise. This line will eventually connect Gastonia with Charlotte and the intervening towns.

The new auditorium at the Central graded school was completed, giving Gastonia one of the best school auditoriums in this section.

Free city delivery of mail was established.

A handsome \$45,000 office building was begun and almost completed.

The premises of the Central graded school were laid off by a landscape gardener and were graded and otherwise put in shape for the grassing, his entire work having been done by the Gastonia Woman's Better Association which has taken a valuable and active part in the upbuilding of the town.

A large number of new structures, including residences, store houses, etc., have been erected. The building permits for the year 1909 exceeded those of any previous year in the city's history.

The Southern's old water tank was removed from York street crossing.

Aside from things material the town and county has progressed satisfactorily along other lines. There has been a steady increase in the general interest in the county in educational matters. Several school districts have evidenced a desire for better facilities and longer school terms by voting special taxes upon themselves. Mount Holly has built a handsome and commodious graded school building. An experiment in conducting night schools for the benefit especially of the young people who are employed in the mills has been inaugurated. While no figures are at hand to substantiate the statement, it is doubtless true of religious matters as of those educational that they have claimed an increased amount of interest on the part of Gaston people.

That the year just beginning promises to equal and not only so but to outstrip the past year in all these lines is the general belief and expectation of our people. May it even be so.

Miss Gertrude Glenn Ill.

Her many friends will learn with profound sorrow that Miss Gertrude Glenn is critically ill at the City Hospital, suffering from pneumonia which she contracted after coming to Gastonia from Greensboro, where she is a student at the State Normal College to spend the Christmas holidays here with her father, Mr. W. D. Glenn, and her sisters and brothers, Misses Carrie and Eula Glenn, Dr. L. N. Glenn and Mr. W. W. Glenn. Another brother, Prof. L. C. Glenn, of the faculty of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., is also here spending the holidays and is detained here at her bedside. Her condition this morning is quite critical but her friends are hoping for the best.

MR. A. J. GAMBLE DEAD.

Gaston Loses Another of Its Aged Citizens Who Succumbed to Long Illness—Served Throughout War in Confederate Army—Funeral and Burial at Pisgah.

Death again invaded the ranks of Gaston's aged citizens when it claimed Mr. Andrew Jackson Gamble Sunday evening about 7 o'clock at his home on West Franklin avenue. The end was not unexpected as Mr. Gamble had been in a critical condition for several days, having been confined to his bed for the past three weeks. Last March he suffered a severe attack of grippe followed by pneumonia and since that time he had never been well, though able to be up and about the house a part of the time.

The funeral party left the residence at noon yesterday and drove to Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian church where funeral services were conducted by the Rev. A. T. Lindsay, interment following in the cemetery at that place. A large concourse of relatives and friends of the deceased was present to attend the services. A number of relatives and friends went from Gastonia.

Andrew Jackson Gamble was a son of John and Annie Gamble, who came to Gaston from Ireland. He was born March 22, 1829, at the old Gamble home-place on Crowders Creek and was hence in his eighty-first year. His father and mother lie buried in the old Pisgah cemetery near Baker's mill. With the exception of four years spent in the Confederate army and the past three years spent in Gastonia, his entire life was spent at his birthplace where he engaged in farming for many years. Three years ago his health failed to such an extent that he was unable to give proper attention to his farm and it was then that he moved to Gastonia, renting out his property in the Pisgah neighborhood. After coming to Gastonia three years ago he was never well enough to be up town.

Deceased was the last member of his family, his four brothers and five sisters having preceded him to the grave. He leaves a large number of relatives, however, in the county. Col. R. N. Wilson, of Gastonia, was a full cousin.

February 27, 1873, Mr. Gamble married Miss Rachel Walker Carson, a daughter of the late Andrew Carson, and she survives. Mrs. Gamble is a sister of Mr. E. W. Carson and Miss Margaret M. Carson, of Pisgah.

Mr. Gamble served four years in the Confederate army as a member of Company H, Forty-Ninth North Carolina Regiment. He saw continuous service and was at Appomattox when the surrender was made. He was never seriously wounded.

Deceased was a good citizen, an industrious farmer, a loyal member of the A. R. P. church and was held in the highest esteem by a very large number of friends and acquaintances. His widow and other close relatives have the sympathy of many in their bereavement.

ADAMS-GORDON.

Mr. Walter E. Adams, Gastonia Boy Now Living in St. Louis, Weds Charlotte Girl.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mayes on East Morehead street, Charlotte, last evening at 6 o'clock Mr. Walter E. Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Adams, of Gastonia, and Miss Alice Marian Gordon were married. The wedding was a quiet home affair, the vows being taken in the presence of relatives and a few close friends of the contracting parties. Rev. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Tryon Street Methodist church, performed the ceremony.

Miss Gordon, says The Observer, is one of Charlotte's most beautiful young ladies and has endeared herself to a host of friends there. The groom is a Gastonia boy who is now holding a responsible position as typotype machinist with the firm of Buxton & Skinner, printers and manufacturing stationers, at St. Louis where he has been since last May. Prior to that time Mr. Adams was connected with the mechanical department of The Charlotte Observer in a similar capacity. He is a young man of energy and ability in his chosen line and his scores of friends here will learn with very great interest of his marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Adams left last night for St. Louis where they will reside in the future.