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## OVER GASTON COUNTY.

### TWO 11-INNING GAMES.

Bell's Park Defeats Begonia and the Clara Mill Teams—First Was an Exciting Battle.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
LOWELL, August 1.—In a fast, hard-fought eleven-inning battle at Begonia Friday afternoon Bell's Park team won over Begonia by the close and exciting score of 3 to 2. The game was witnessed by a large crowd and was intensely interesting. From start to finish it was a pitcher's battle between J. Price and Meeks. Both were almost invincible but Price finally got the better of the argument. He was never in better form and Begonia never had much chance to win. Both catchers starred, neither allowing a steal. Aside from the battery work the features were two pretty squeeze plays by Begonia and the hitting of Grady Gaston and Walter Price for Bell's Park, the former lining out three hits and the latter breaking up the game in the eleventh inning by his stinging double, followed by Leonard's pretty single.

Batteries: Bell's Park—Price, J., and Price, W.; Begonia—Meeks and Parham.

The teams meet again at the Chapel picnic.  
Saturday the locals met the Clara Mill team, of Gastonia, and the result was another eleven-inning game. Bell's Park winning by a score of 12 to 11. The game was rather poorly played all the way through but the local team was badly crippled. W. Price again saved the day in the ninth inning by slamming out a triple with the bases crowded, after two were down, tying the score. Grady Gaston again secured three hits. J. Price also played a pretty game. For the visitors the star work was done by Dunn and Huffstetter. Batteries: Bell's Park—Gaston, H., Price, J., and Price, R.; Clara Mill—Hall, Parker and Bell.

### EXPECT BIG CROWD.

Cherryville Looking for Big Crowds from Lincoln, Cleveland and Gaston Saturday—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
CHERRYVILLE, Aug. 4.—We are making preparations for the largest crowd Saturday that has ever been here. Lincoln county has put off its primary, which was to be held Saturday, and we are expecting thousands of her people to be on hand. Shelby will adjourn court and turn out en masse; and, as a matter of course, Gaston will not fail to have her representatives from every section here.

Mrs. J. H. Woolley and daughter, Miss Susie, of Jacksonville, Fla., are visiting in the city.—Mr. W. A. Mauney, of Kings Mountain, was a business visitor to our town yesterday.—Mr. J. B. Houser is attending a picnic at Dallas today.—Miss Pearl McDowell, of Spartanburg, S. C., is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Kendrick.—Miss Annie Summer is spending the week among friends at Gastonia.—Mrs. Howard Mauney, of Lincolnton, was among our visitors yesterday.—Misses Corine and Annie Brown, of Spartanburg, S. C., are visiting relatives in town.—Mr. Lee Aderholdt, who has been in Florida several months, returned home Sunday.—Miss Mae Gibson, of Greenville, S. C., is the guest of her brother, Mr. Forest Gibson.

### High Shoals News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
LONG SHOALS, Aug. 2.—The picnic at Eaker's school house was quite a success and every one seemed to enjoy himself.—Mr. and Mrs. James Putnam left yesterday for Wilmington where they will spend several weeks.—Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Brown and little daughter, Bessie, of Washington, D. C., are visiting at J. E. Carpenter's.—J. E. Carpenter and A. Summey went seeing near Costner's mill Monday and caught two hundred fish.—R. G. Rutledge and Eugene Lineberger attended conference at Dallas last week.

A protracted meeting will begin at Landers' chapel Methodist church the second Sunday in August.—A number of our people are thinking of going to Rock Springs this year.—Misses Venia and Emma Lee Carpenter delightfully entertained about

## COTTON CROP OF SOUTH.

Had it not been for the Cotton Crops of the South the Balance of Trade Would Have Been Against us All These Years.

From the present outlook Texas will produce something like one-third of the total cotton crop of the United States, and the indications are that high prices will again prevail during the marketing season, is the opinion of Editor Balles, of The Houston Post. Says he further: In view of the fact that the total crop of 1909 sold for more than \$800,000,000, it would appear that there continues to be much truth in the saying, "Cotton is king," and that Texas gives the chief support to its claim to the title.

In this connection, the Southern Commercial Congress has compiled statistics showing that it is the cotton crop of the South which has enabled the United States to maintain the balance of trade for nearly 120 years. The total value of all exports from the United States during the period from 1790 to the fiscal year ended with June of last year amounted practically to \$48,000,000,000—a sum so large that it is difficult to comprehend it. The total balance in favor of the United States during this time, we are told, has been \$6,436,114,566.

The commercial congress further tells us that the gold brought back to the United States in payment of our cotton crop amounted to \$13,598,353,086, and it is to be borne in mind that this was merely in payment of our raw cotton. The manufactured goods, the cotton seed and cotton seed oil, which have attained to large proportions in value during recent years, are left out of the reckoning altogether.

"It is easy enough to see," says The Washington Times in commenting on these figures, "that if it had not been for the cotton crop of the South the balance of trade would have been against us during all these years. It is the staple money crop of the country and has played a conspicuous part in bringing the United States to the position of commercial prosperity it now enjoys." And all of this has been accomplished without affording the staple any of that protection which, under favored tariff schedules, has helped to enrich the States of the east at the expense of the cotton producers of the south.

### DR. CRIPPEN CAUGHT.

London Dentist, Wanted for Murder of His Wife, Accompanied by Ethel Clare Leneve Arrested on Board Steamer Near Quebec, Canada—End of Sensational Man-Hunt.

One of the most exciting man-chases recorded in the annals of modern criminal history came to an end Sunday when Chief Inspector Dew, of Scotland Yards, London, England, arrested Dr. Hawley H. Crippen and Miss Ethel Clare Leneve, his typist, on board the steamship Montrose at Father Point, Canada. They were traveling as Rev. John Robinson and son and sailed on the Montrose from Antwerp. They were taken 160 miles further to Quebec and are held there in jail awaiting transportation to England for trial.

Dr. Crippen is charged with the murder of his wife, the American actress Belle Elmore, some months ago and Miss Leneve is held as an accomplice. The decomposed body of a woman, supposed to be that of his wife, who mysteriously disappeared early in the year, were found in a basement room of Dr. Crippen's home in London. He and the woman had escaped from London only a day or two before the discovery was made and since that time, several weeks ago, detectives in all parts of the world have been on the lookout for them. They were finally located on the Montrose by means of wireless telegraphy. Dr. Crippen is an American and practiced dentistry in London.

forty of their friends Friday night in honor of their guests, Misses Berthe Rankin, Olive Senter, of Dallas, and Miss Bryte Crawford, of Gastonia.—Mrs. Andrew Brown spent Sunday at W. E. Kiser's.—Mr. and Mrs. Clay Kiser and family spent Sunday at M. A. Carpenter's.

## MASONIC PICNIC.

Crowd at Dallas Yesterday Was Small—Grand Master Hackett Delivered Masterful Address on Masonry—Dinner Served in Chapel of Graded School—Music Furnished by Clara Concert Band.

There was disappointment at the size of the crowd which gathered yesterday at Dallas to attend the annual picnic given by the Masonic lodges of the county. Usually this occasion draws a large crowd. The smallness of yesterday's crowd is accounted for, in part at least, by the fact that there were several other gatherings in progress in the county. Besides the picnic Dallas was entertaining the Gaston County Bible Society which held its fiftieth annual meeting in the Lutheran church; there was a Sunday school picnic at Long Creek church and a picnic at High Shoals.

A couple of extra coaches were attached to the northbound C. & N.-W. passenger yesterday morning which carried quite a good crowd from Gastonia, this town furnishing perhaps the majority of those present at the picnic. After the arrival of the train at Dallas at 10 o'clock the picnickers assembled on the spacious and shady court house grounds where the Clara Concert Band, of Gastonia, dispensed music at intervals during the day.

At 11:30 the crowd gathered in the court room, Capt. A. L. Bulwinkle acting as master of ceremonies. He called on Rev. R. C. Anderson, of Gastonia, to offer the opening prayer after which Hon. O. F. Mason introduced Rev. Beverly Wilson, of Stanley, pastor of the Methodist churches on the Dallas circuit, who delivered a brief but pleasing address on "Fraternity," using as his text the friendship between Jonathan and David.

Following Mr. Wilson, Rev. R. C. Anderson announced that dinner would be served at the school building immediately after the exercises and that the proceeds would go to the fund for the Oxford Orphanage Asylum.

Mr. A. C. Jones then introduced to the audience Hon. Richard N. Hackett, of Wilkesboro, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who was the principal speaker of the day. Mr. Hackett's address was a masterful piece of oratory and he held the closest attention of his audience through to the end of his speech. He spoke on the principles and history of Free Masonry and concluded by recounting some of the things accomplished by the Masons in North Carolina. He told of the great work that is being accomplished at the Oxford Orphan Asylum where 350 fatherless and motherless children are being cared for and trained and educated for good and useful lives. He told of the building of the Masonic temple in Raleigh which will yield an annual income of \$15,000. This amount, he stated, is to be used for the erection and maintenance of a home for aged and infirm Masons which is to be built in the State. Mr. Hackett said that the committee having this matter in hand would meet in Raleigh today to discuss the selection of a site for this home and to make further plans for its consummation.

Mr. Hackett is a pleasing speaker and at times waxed eloquent in descriptive paragraphs of power. Not only the Masons present but all who heard him were profoundly impressed by his speech.

Following the exercises in the court house dinner was served in the chapel of the graded school building on long tables improvised for the occasion. Mr. S. S. Morris, of Gastonia, was in charge and served a nice lunch for 25 cents, the entire proceeds going to the Oxford Orphan Asylum. In the afternoon some of the picnickers rested on the court house lawn while others witnessed a baseball game between Dallas and Stanley. While the crowd was small the day passed off pleasantly and all had a good time.

Atlanta's Boosting Spirit.

Wilmington Star.  
If it were hot enough in Atlanta to broil chicken on the sidewalks the Atlanta papers would never mention it. They are so busy boosting Atlanta that everything like a single hot weather item would crowd out something good that might be said about Atlanta.

## COUNTY BUSINESS.

Bills Audited and Ordered Paid and Other Matters Attended to by County Fathers.

The Board of county commissioners met in regular session for August at the court house in Dallas Monday and transacted business as follows:

John Gilliam was allowed to peddle without license on account of physical infirmities.

It was ordered that a cartway be opened as petitioned for by J. A. Smith and others of Crowders Mountain township.

P. M. Keller was released of income tax on \$500, overcharged, \$5. The monthly report of Treasurer J. M. Shuford was accepted, approved and ordered recorded on the book of official records.

The Superintendent of roads was instructed to examine the road as petitioned for by A. W. Hoffman and others and report on same August 15th.

Coot Partlow was declared a pauper and ordered sent to the county home.

The register of deeds was authorized to take the tax returns until August 15, 1910. All persons not returned by that time will be double taxed.

It was ordered that the board of county commissioners meet on the 18th day of August for the purpose of letting the contract for the building a bridge over the creek at Mount Holly.

It was ordered that an abandoned road, in the vicinity of Mount Holly, opened a few years ago through the lands of T. W. Springs and R. F. Rankin, be closed.

Chairman John F. Leeper was appointed a committee to attend the good roads meeting at Charlotte and it was ordered that the county appropriate the sum of \$5 as expenses for trip.

Messrs. T. L. Ware and J. W. Kendrick were appointed a committee to inspect the concrete bridge over Mauney's creek and report on the same.

The following accounts were audited and ordered paid:  
York Bridge Co., repairing bridge at McAdenville, \$2,099.

M. A. Rhyne, work on roads, Gastonia township, \$77.50.

P. J. Maxwell, work on roads, Cherryville township, \$60.60.

S. T. Stowe, services as engineer, \$40.

J. F. Abernethy, work on roads, River Bend township, \$30.10.

E. J. Elliott, work on roads, Crowders Mountain township, \$17.15.

A. V. Summey, lumber for roads, Dallas township, \$23.38.

S. S. Harrelson, work on roads, Cherryville township, \$65.18.

W. A. Leeper, Sr., work on roads, South Point township, \$102.45.

Sloan Springs, work on roads, South Point township, \$10.12.

J. M. Shuford, treasurer, salary for July, \$100.

James Wallace, stone for lower Stanley road, \$8.

T. L. Ware, chain gang expenses Camp No. 1, \$942.71.

T. L. Ware, expenses chain gang Camp No. 2, \$1,018.29.

T. L. Ware, stone for Linwood-Pisgah road, \$242.37.

S. J. Gaston, work on roads, South Point township, \$76.42.

T. L. Ware, stone for Bessemer City-Gastonia road, \$112.97.

T. L. Ware, stone for Cherryville-Bessemer City road, \$121.22.

L. H. Kiser, work on roads, Cherryville township, \$15.75.

I. S. Murray, work on roads, Cherryville township, \$107.12.

E. N. Huffstetter, arrest of Erwin McLean, \$1.30.

J. R. Rogers, work on roads, River Bend township, \$70.25.

W. H. Abernethy, work on roads, River Bend township, \$44.75.

J. R. Carson, work on roads, Crowders Mountain township, \$33.

P. D. Summey, disinfectant and supplies to jail, \$12.

T. L. Ware, expenses N. G. Todd grading force, Spencer Mountain roads, \$400.40.

W. Meek Adams, commitments for lunatics, \$2.85.

J. T. Oates, work on roads, Crowders Mountain township, \$46.30.

C. C. Craig, salary and expenses county home July, \$164.

Chas Ford, two coffins for paupers, \$10.

T. H. Shuford, jail fees and con-

## DR. PRATT COMING.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, Accepts Invitation to Address Big Gathering at Gastonia on Labor Day, First Monday in September—Mr. A. C. Shuford Also to Speak—Preparations for Big Event.

Mr. T. C. Smith, chairman of the committee from the Gaston County Rural Letter Carriers Association to perfect the program and arrangements for the annual joint celebration of that organization and the Gaston County Farmers Union to be held in Gastonia Monday, September 5th, received this morning a letter from Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State geologist, accepting an invitation extended him some days ago to be present and deliver an address on that day. This will be welcome news to all Gaston county.

Dr. Pratt is one of the best informed men in the South on the subject of good roads and he will no doubt bring to our people in his address much information of value. He is a man of national reputation in his line and the committee could not have made a happier selection of a speaker for the big celebration in September. Every citizen of the county, be he farmer or business man, should be present to hear him.

As previously stated in The Gazette the committee from the Farmers Union has already secured Hon. A. C. Shuford, of Hickory, to deliver an address on the same day. Mr. Shuford is a man of wide information on the subject of farming, is a pleasing and instructive speaker and is heard with delight anywhere in North Carolina.

With Dr. Pratt and Mr. Shuford as the speakers and with other attractions that will be announced later these two organizations should easily attract to Gastonia 10,000 people on the first Monday in September.

### JOHN G. CARLISLE DEAD.

Secretary of the Treasury Under Cleveland Passes After a Long Illness—Was a Native of Kentucky.

New York, July 31.—John G. Carlisle, former Secretary of the Treasury, who had been critically ill for the past two days, died at his apartment in New York at 10:50 o'clock tonight of heart failure, accompanied by oedema of the lungs.

An intestinal complaint of long standing, which wore down his vitality, lay behind the technical fact of heart failure. He was attacked last spring by the same trouble, complicated by an ailment of the kidneys and for a time hovered near death. But his remarkable vitality triumphed then, and it seemed it might even in the illness which ended tonight.

John Griffin Carlisle was born in Kenton county, Kentucky, on September 5, 1835. He was educated in the public schools, later studied law, and was admitted to the bar. Always a consistent Democrat and interested in public affairs as a young man, and finally graduated into national affairs.

From 1877 to 1890 he was a member of the National House, and from 1883 to 1889 was Speaker of the House. He resigned to fill the unexpired term of James B. Beck in the United States Senate, from which he again resigned in 1893 to become Secretary of the Treasury under President Grover Cleveland.

### A Square Mile of Corn.

News and Observer.  
A gentleman who recently returned from Beaufort county, says the prettiest sight in North Carolina is the square mile of corn—640 acres—on the Wilkinson lands near Pine-town where many thousands of dollars is being spent in drainage. Think of a square mile of fine corn in what was a short time ago called swamps.

veying lunatic to Morganton, \$114.85.

Edwards & Broughton, binding tax books, stationery, etc., \$10.75.

G. W. Waring, estimate of work done on court house and jail, \$3,840.00.

T. L. Ware, salary for July, \$95.

L. N. Glenn, salary and expenses three lunatics June and July, \$87.32.

John F. Leeper, expenses delegate to good roads convention, \$5.

## Personals and Locals.

—Mr. J. A. Glenn, of Winston-Salem, was a business visitor in Gastonia Tuesday.

—Misses Essie and Eliza Lindsay left yesterday for Sharon, York county, where they will spend about two weeks.

—Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Nolen left Wednesday on a visit to relatives and friend at Crouse, Connelly's Springs and other points.

—Miss Annie Clifford left last Saturday for Shelby, where she will spend some time as the guest of Miss Lottie May Hendrick.

—Miss Mamie Cabiness left Wednesday for Shelby, where she will spend several weeks on a visit to friends.

—Miss Jennie Wylie has returned from a visit to her uncle, Mr. J. T. Wylie, in Gastonia.—Chester Reporter, 1st.

—Mrs. D. E. McConnell and son, Dannie, of Gastonia, are spending a few days in the city as the guests of Dr. and Mrs. H. E. McConnell.—Chester Reporter, 1st.

—Mr. G. L. Frazier, who has been manager of the Thomas-Rlerson Company's tailoring establishment here for the past four months, has bought out the company and is now sole proprietor of the business.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. B. White and children, of Yorkville, have been on a visit to the family of Mr. White's daughter, Mrs. G. E. Moore, at Pleasant Ridge. They were in town Tuesday morning with Mr. Moore. They returned home Wednesday.

—Rev. J. J. Kennedy, Miss Julia Galloway and Mrs. Frost Torrence and daughter, Miss Helen, returned Tuesday from Catawba Springs where they spent two weeks. Mr. J. H. Kennedy, who went with them, returned several days ago.

—Mr. J. Mack Holland and Rev. W. H. Hardin and two sons left Wednesday morning for a camping trip in the mountains. They went by train to Edgemont, and from there to Linville City, Grandfather Mountain, Foscoe, Blowing Rock and Valle Crucis. They will be away about three weeks.

—The Lenoir News of Tuesday says: "Mr. O. W. Arrington who has been spending the spring and summer at Linville, N. C., was brought home yesterday evening suffering with typhoid fever. Dr. H. B. Malone went up to Linville in Col. Nichols' private car, the "400," and brought the patient back. He is at the Magdalene Hospital.—Chester Reporter, 1st.

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—A new directory has just been issued by the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Co. and is now being distributed to subscribers. It is for the six months ending January 1, 1911, and is corrected up to July 1, 1910. It contains lists of the company's subscribers at Gastonia, Bessemer City, Bowling Green, Dallas, High Shoals, Hardin, Lowell, McAdenville, Pleasant Ridge and Stanley. It is printed on heavy paper, has a tough cover and a wire-loop hanger. Besides the directories it contains a limited amount of advertising of local firms. The directory is gotten out twice each year and is published by The Gazette Publishing Company.

—Rev. W. W. Ratchford, of Waxhaw, N. C., was in Yorkville today, on his way to visit friends in Gaston county. Mr. Ratchford is now the oldest minister in Bethel presbytery, being advanced two months in his 81st year. He has been preaching for fifty-one years, and is just now taking his first vacation of one month, granted to him by his present congregations, upon the death of his daughter a few months ago. Mr. Ratchford is still hale and hearty, maty middle aged acquaintances claiming that he does not look any older today than when they first recollect him. Mr. Ratchford is an earnest, sincere and uncompromising worker. During the past eighteen years, he has had charge of Old Waxhaw church, in Lancaster, and Tiraah church across the line in North Carolina.—Yorkville Enquirer, 2nd.