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COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LOWELL, Jan. 19.—We are having real winter weather today in great contrast to that of last week when the farmers began to gather up their plows and mend up their harness in preparation for plowing. But it's all right to have winter weather in the winter time.

The health of the town is good but we have a "measles-y" scare in our schools, as they are having at Belmont and other places. Since the public schools started up January 9th, Prof. Ransauer has had a full house, almost beyond its seating capacity, until this week the scare of measles thinned them out to the point where the teachers now have plenty of breathing room.

Rev. E. N. Crowder attended the laymen's missionary meeting at Lincolnton Monday.

The aldermen of the town are making some needed improvements in the way of stone curbing, using stone from the old Sam Armstrong chimney, which was built perhaps 75 years ago.

Mr. Lee A. Ford returned last week from the Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, where he underwent a serious operation. He is getting along nicely. Mrs. Frank Robinson left a few days ago for Hot Springs, Ark., where she will spend some time in the hope of securing relief from a severe case of rheumatism.

The two cotton gins here have been busy of late rounding up last year's crop. Those who have been holding all of their crop in seed until late and who are now having it all ginned are Messrs. J. N. Dixon, Miles Rhyne, E. P. Lewis and Sloan Springs. Their crops will aggregate perhaps 100 bales.

Rev. R. A. Miller left this morning for Lincolnton.

LOWAY LOCALS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LOWAY MILLS, Jan. 19.—Mr. A. B. McAllister entertained his second hands and section men at his home Saturday evening, January 14th. Rev. A. S. Anderson, pastor of the Loway Presbyterian church, was present also. Refreshments and cigars were served and all who were there say that they had a very pleasant evening and enjoyed themselves very much.

Mrs. Jethro Bowen, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Tennessee and Colorado, returned home last week. Mr. T. M. McEntire went to Spartanburg, S. C., on business last Saturday. Mr. C. J. Moss, of Glendale, S. C., has accepted the position of second hand in the cloth room. Mr. E. C. Robinson has been promoted to the position of second hand in the spinning room to succeed J. H. McEntire, resigned.

The little daughter of Mr. J. R. Young is quite sick with pneumonia. Mrs. Douglas, manager of the Loway Hotel, is very sick with pneumonia. Mr. George Hill, of Tupelo, S. C., spent Thursday at the Loway. Mr. J. D. Baber and family, who recently went from here to Hudson to accept the position of chief engineer of the Hudson Manufacturing Company, stopped over at the Loway Thursday on their way to Iva, S. C., where Mr. Baber has accepted a similar position with the Iva Mills.

Will Johnson, a gentleman of dusky hue, tanked up on bay rum and tan shoe polish last Sunday morning and then, taking his galling gup and trusty negro razor, proceeded to raise sand in the negro section of the Loway village, but Pooleman Lewis nabbed him before any serious damage was done.

Belmont Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BELMONT, Jan. 19.—Miss Sue Stowe was a Gastonia visitor Tuesday. Miss Virginia Robinson, of Lowell, spent a few days recently with Mrs. W. R. Stowe. Mr. Grady Rankin, of Gastonia, was a business visitor in Belmont Wednesday.

A number of the younger social set of Belmont went to McAdenville Tuesday night to be present at a

Telegram party given by Miss Meta McGhee.

Mr. A. J. Rankin has returned from Lincolnton where he attended a conference of prominent Methodist ministers and laymen. Rev. W. L. C. Killian, of Gastonia, was in town a short while Tuesday. Rev. R. C. Deal was a business visitor in Charlotte Tuesday. Mrs. R. P. Rankin, of Gastonia, spent Tuesday in Belmont with relatives.

The building occupied and owned by the enterprising firm of Stove Bros. Co., is undergoing repairs and overhauling. Among other improvements, the front of the store has received an additional coat of paint and is now being retouched with a handsome oak finish. These improvements and conveniences are characteristic of this firm which never neglects an opportunity either of showing itself modern and up-to-date in every respect or of affording any favor or convenience to its many patrons.

Mr. R. W. White, of Gastonia, is spending some time in town engaged in interior decoration work in the Presbyterian manse, now nearing completion.

The epidemic of measles which has been raging in this locality for the last few days seems to be rather on the increase than on the decline. From the physicians' reports there are about fifty cases in the town and vicinity.

Mr. J. R. Gaston and Mr. J. M. Sloan are very actively agitating the Catawba bridge matter, and judging from their petition lists are meeting with success. A consulting engineer from York, Pa., was here a day or two ago exhibiting plans and specifications.

NEWS OF THE OLD MILL.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

OLD MILL, Jan. 18.—This (the Gastonia Cotton Manufacturing Co.'s plant) is the oldest mill in Gastonia, hence everybody knows it as the "old mill." This mill is running along nicely after the holidays. The carding and spinning departments are running day and night. It is turning out a high grade of combed yarns and sheeting.

Mrs. C. J. Bumgardner, who has been at the Gaston Hospital for treatment, has recovered sufficiently to return to her home. Mr. J. A. Crenshaw has moved back here from Charlotte. Mr. Archie Fox has moved here from Lincolnton. Mr. Robert McGinn has returned to this place with his bride. He worked at Dallas long enough to capture this prize. We are always glad to have our old boys return, especially when they bring helpmeets along with them.

Mrs. Lula Hucks and Mrs. Nannie Hayes have moved to this place from High Shoals.

The death angel entered the home of Mr. M. B. Henry last Saturday night and claimed their infant child. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. J. Beach.

FLINT MILL NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

FLINT MILL, Jan. 18.—Mr. E. O. Sherrill moved Monday into the house vacated by Mr. H. L. Lineberger, until recently the efficient manager of the Farmers Union warehouse, who with his family has moved back to his country residence.

Miss Edna Propst and Miss Julia Chandler spent the week-end in McAdenville with Mrs. Ed Austin.

Miss Bessie Pasour has gone to the City Hospital, Gastonia, for treatment. At last reports she was getting along nicely.

Mr. Hedgepath and family moved to Mayesworth on Friday, the 13th.

Mr. James Harkey and family have moved to the country, south of Gastonia.

Mr. Clarence Harkey and family, of Mayesworth, have moved into the house once owned by Mr. J. T. Capps, who has moved to Bessemer City.

Friends will soon learn of an approaching marriage at the Flint.

LUCIA LOCALS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LUCIA, Jan. 18.—A very pleasant measuring party was given Saturday

night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Underwood for the purpose of raising funds for improving the Methodist parsonage. The ones present were Misses Annie Patterson, of Mount Holly; Fannie Edwards, of Lowesville; Annie Underwood, of River Bend; Lula Belle and Edna Black, Maude and Bertie Hewitt, Ora Davis, Ida Broadway, Ada Connell, and Robena McIntosh, of Lowesville; Tyner and Fred McIntosh, Clarence Stroup, Oral and Julian Abernethy, Gwillford Hewitt, John Beatty and Willie Jenkins, of Lucia.

When all had gathered each one was measured and paid a penny for each foot and inch they measured. Then the girls went in a separate room and came out one at a time wrapped in a sheet and were auctioned off talking to the boys who got them as many minuts as they paid cents. After that snappy, good night, button and several other games were played. About 10 o'clock all left for home after a much enjoyed evening.

Miss Annie Patterson, of Mount Holly, is visiting Miss Ada Connell and Misses Black. A sociable was given Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nance which the young people enjoyed very much. Mr. Gibson, of Charlotte, spent Saturday and Sunday at his aunts, Mrs. W. A. McIntosh.

LONG SHOALS ITEMS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LONG SHOALS, Jan. 19.—Miss Clyda Rutledge, after spending a few days in Charlotte, returned home last Monday. Mrs. Ha Huss is visiting relatives and friends in Crouse this week. Misses Venia and Emma Lee Carpenter returned home last week from Shelby, accompanied by their niece and cousin, Misses Florence and Rachel Carpenter. Miss Lucy Bryte Pasour spent several days with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Carpenter, this week. Mrs. Michael Klaier, of Bessemer City, is visiting friends and relatives here this week. Rev. J. M. Senter and family spent Saturday night at Mr. J. B. Summey's.

NEWS FROM "THE POINT."

YORKVILLE, S. C., R. F. D. 8, Jan. 17.—A box supper was given Friday night at the Point school house to raise money for the purpose of overhauling the school building. Quite a number of boxes were sold, the price ranging from 65 cents to \$1.50. One very interesting feature of the evening was a guessing contest, the successful contestant being Master Howard Currence who was awarded the first prize. Mr. Neal Carson, of Bessemer City, received the booby prize. Candy was made by the efficient teacher, Miss Casadace Wolfe, and sold at auction. After the candy and boxes were sold and expenses paid the neat sum of \$40.33 was realized. A very large crowd was present and the supper was enjoyed by all.

Messrs. Ed and Neal Carson, of Bessemer City; Tom Carson and Lowry Falls, of Gastonia; Miss Nannie Carson, teacher at Allison Creek; Misses Winnie and Nannie Stroup, of Pineville, attended the box supper Friday night and were guests until Sunday of Mr. W. P. Boyd and family.

Miss Agnes Oates, of Bessemer City, is visiting her sister, Miss Bell Oates, teacher at Forest Hill.

A party was given Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brandon in honor of the visitors in the Point, which was enjoyed by quite a number.

Messrs. Ed Mitchell and Cliff Jenkins, of Lowell, attended the box supper Friday night.

Mr. Alex Bigger was a visitor at Lowell Sunday.

The following item is from the Cherryville Eagle of the 19th: "Messrs. Ed C. Stroup, J. M. Beam, W. L. Aderholdt and W. E. Gardner have bought out the livery business of Harreison Bros. and also that of E. L. McGinnas, of this place, and will conduct a general livery business at the old stand of Mr. McGinnas, with Mr. Ed C. Stroup as general manager."

Born

To Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Smith, Thursday, January 19th, 1911, a son.

CAPT. SUMMERROW DEAD.

Former Gastonian Succumbs to Attack of Pneumonia After Very Brief Illness—End Came at Newton Whither He Moved Only a Few Days Ago—Burial To-Day.

Many Gastonians were profoundly shocked yesterday morning when the news became current that Capt. Lee Summerrow, until very recently a resident of Gastonia, died some time Wednesday night at Newton, to which place he had moved his family from here only a couple of weeks ago. Tuesday's issue of the Catawba County News, published at Newton, carried the news that Capt. Summerrow was sick but it was not known that he was dangerously ill until Wednesday afternoon when there was a sudden turn for the worse.

Mr. Thomas Boone, of the clerical force at the freight depot, a stepson of deceased, was summoned home late Wednesday afternoon. Mr. W. F. Michael, a nephew, accompanied by Mrs. Michael, went to Newton on the morning train yesterday to be present at the funeral which will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Capt. Summerrow moved to Gastonia a year or two ago to take a position at the freight depot. Prior to that time he had been a conductor for a number of years on the Carolina & North-Western Railway in which capacity he became known to many people along the line. In December he went to Charlotte to work leaving his family here. About two weeks ago he came here and moved his family to Newton where they expected to reside in the future. Surviving him are his widow and several children. Capt. Summerrow was about 45 years of age and was originally from Newton. He had many friends here whose sympathy goes out to the bereaved widow and children.

GOES TO NEW ORLEANS.

Dr. G. W. Taylor to Take Special Course at Tulane.

The following item from yesterday's Charlotte Observer will interest many of our readers:

"Dr. George W. Taylor, of McAdenville, has gone to New Orleans to pursue special studies in medicine. For the past several years he has been practicing at McAdenville and is regarded as one of the best posted and most capable of the younger physicians in the State. Having ambition and a desire to know more about the great profession which he follows he has gone to New Orleans to pursue special studies in Tulane University.

In his honor Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Harding, Messrs Lottie and Grace Albee and Messrs J. B. Ives and G. T. Newell entertained at Gresham's Monday evening. A spread was served that would have done honor to a king and in the most appetizing fashion. Dr. Taylor will be in New Orleans studying some time."

DOING GOOD WORK.

Quarterly Report of Woman's Charity Association Shows That Much Good Work is Being Done.

A large number of enthusiastic members of the Woman's Charity Association met in regular session at the Gaston Hospital Wednesday afternoon.

The reports of Mrs. H. B. Moore, president, and Mrs. D. E. McConnell, assistant secretary and treasurer, showed that during the past quarter six patients have been cared for, three of whom were in desperate condition. One was almost blind but, by careful medical attention, his sight has been restored. These were all from deserving families who were in great need of help. The representatives of the several churches have kept in touch with the families of the patients by personal visits. The members of the association, as well as the patients, are very appreciative of the free services given by the physicians.

Friday and Saturday of next week the association will serve oysters for the benefit of the charity work, as the demands for aid now far exceed the organization's ability to serve. The place for serving oysters will be announced later.

At a caucus of Democratic members-elect of the next national Congress held in Washington City last night, Representative Cyamp Clark, of Missouri, was chosen as candidate for Speaker of the House.

LEE-JACKSON DAY.

Appropriate Exercises Yesterday by Daughters of the Confederacy—Address by Mr. S. J. Durham.

In the Library yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock the usual exercises in celebration of Lee-Jackson Day were held under the auspices of the Gastonia Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy. Mrs. D. A. Garrison, president of the local chapter, presided. The library was decorated for the occasion in white and red bunting, together with a number of potted plants. A special feature of the decorations was the grouping of the three Confederate flags which the chapter recently donated to the library, directly behind the speakers stand.

The principal feature of the program, as announced in The Gazette last week, was the address of Mr. S. J. Durham, who spoke most eloquently in defense of that spirit which prompts men to battle for the right, as did the Confederate heroes of the sixties. There were present about fifty veterans from various parts of the county, all of whom heard Mr. Durham's splendid address with intense interest. A cross of honor was bestowed upon Mr. J. L. Burke, of Bessemer City. Crosses were in readiness for 18 other veterans who had applied for them, but Mr. Burke was the only one present to receive his cross. At the conclusion of the exercises refreshments were served to the veterans of whom it was considered that there was an unusually good attendance considering the inclemency of the weather.

From now on active preparations will be made by the ladies of the Gastonia chapter for a successful celebration on May 10th, on which occasion Congressman E. Yates Webb, of Shelby, has consented to deliver an address. The exercises on that day will probably be held in the court house.

BILL NYE DAY.

February 22nd Designated by State Superintendent Joyner for Its Observance in Public Schools of State—All Pupils Will be Asked to Contribute One Cent Each.

Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer, 17. Wednesday February 22, has been designated by Hon. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, as "Bill Nye day" in the public schools of North Carolina. A special hour will be set aside on that day for the teachers to read to the pupils a biography of Bill Nye, and a brief program of his writings will be carried out.

Superintendent Joyner has been in correspondence with the Bill Nye memorial committee of the North Carolina Press Association for some time, and the final arrangements were completed today after a conference with Mr. J. P. Cook, treasurer of the committee. The program for the use in the schools, embracing the instructions from the State superintendent to the county superintendents and the teachers, will be sent out by the committee in ample time. Incidentally, the movement contemplates voluntary contributions from the school children to the Bill Nye memorial fund, which is to be applied to the erection of a handsome building at the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training School at Concord. Every child in the State attending a public school, will be asked to bring one penny or more on Thursday following Bill Nye day, which will be applied to this purpose.

Superintendent Joyner is taking most kindly interest in this great movement, and has responded nobly to the petitions of the committee, a co-operation which is heartily appreciated by the committee, as well as all the editors of the State, who are deeply interested in the memorial cause.

Library to be Reopened.

Gastonians generally will be pleased to learn that the library is to be re-opened at an early date. It was closed a few weeks ago because the library association did not have sufficient funds to maintain it. A few days ago the Y. M. C. A. officials accepted a proposition—made to them by the library association to take over the books, furniture, etc., and reopen the library to the public. This, we are informed, will be done at an early date. The Y. M. C. A., which owns the building and has an income from rentals, is in better shape than was the library association to finance the library.

DIED IN LOUISIANA.

Mr. E. M. Ford, Native of Gastonia, Passes Away at Shreveport—Body to be Buried at Belmont—Had Many Relatives in This County.

The following item from The Charlotte News of yesterday afternoon will be of interest to a large number of our readers:

"The body of Mr. E. M. Ford, who died yesterday at the Memorial Sanitarium in Shreveport, La., will reach here tonight on train No. 40. A telegram announcing Mr. Ford's death was received here last night by Mr. Walter Ford, a nephew of the deceased gentleman, who is connected with the freight department of the Southern.

"The body will be taken to Belmont, where it will be met by relatives and taken to Bethesda Methodist church in Gaston county for burial.

"Mr. Ford was a native of Gaston county, but spent a good deal of his life in Charlotte. He was a well-known architect and building contractor and a number of handsome buildings in the city bear his name. He later went to Little Rock, Ark., where he lived for a number of years and went from there to Shreveport, where he has since lived. He was a very successful business man and was one of the best known architects in Shreveport.

"Mr. Ford is survived by three children, Mr. Tom Ford, Mrs. Sarah Jane Leeper and Mrs. Emma Stowe, all of Gaston county. He was a brother of the late Mr. W. G. Ford, of this city, who died here on the 26th of December.

"The deceased was 60 years of age. The cause of his death was erysipelas. He commanded the respect of all with whom he came in contact and was a most excellent citizen."

HOMAGE TO "KING CORN."

The Most Important of All Cereal Crops Will Receive Special Attention at the National Corn Exposition to be Held at Columbus, O., January 30-February 11. Special to The Gazette.

Columbus, O., Jan. 18.—"King Corn," the most important cereal crop, which amounted in 1910 to 3,121,381,000 bushels, will be tendered special homage at the National Corn Exposition to be held in Columbus, Jan. 30 to Feb. 11. At no time in the history of agriculture has this all important crop been so recognized—one day being set aside known as "National Corn Day." The festivities in celebration of "King Corn" will continue throughout the day with addresses by prominent farmers and famous orators, when the matter of production and consumption of the corn crop will be threshed out. It will be one of the most notable days of the greatest of all agricultural expositions, and one which will be a sterling milestone in the progress of agriculture.

While the entire day will be given over to discussions of corn improvement by noted specialists, the evening program will be of still greater interest to many of the visitors, for the splendid National Corn Banquet will be the feature. Plates will be laid for 1500 guests, the Ohio Corn Improvement Association to be the host. The banquet will be held in the immense Exposition auditorium, and with the grandest menu of all corn products, intermingled with catchy music and other entertainment features, the evening will be one of much gaiety.

The program for the day includes addresses by P. G. Holden, of Iowa; C. G. Williams, Ohio; G. I. Christie, Indiana; William Detrick, Illinois; C. G. McCall, Ohio; W. J. Spillman, department of agriculture.

At the evening corn banquet, Secretary James Wilson of the department of agriculture will be the principal speaker. His topic will be "The Evolution of American Agriculture." Senator Burton, of Ohio, Senator Clapp, of Minnesota, and other notables will speak. Governor Harmon, of Ohio, will preside at the ceremonies incident to the occasion, and Secretary Sandies of the Ohio State Board of Agriculture, will be toastmaster.

James H. Tillman, the slayer of Editor Gonzalez and a nephew of Senator Ben Tillman, is reported to be dying with tuberculosis at his home in Columbia, S. C. He recently returned from the West, where he went in a vain hope of recovering his health.