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## NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

### BESSEMER BRIEFS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
BESSEMER CITY, Sept. 4.—The graded school opened this morning for the fall term under most favorable circumstances. The attendance today is unusually large and there is evident an enthusiastic interest among the teachers and pupils. Prof. D. C. Johnson, after two very successful years as superintendent, enters upon the third with every promise that this is not to fall below the previous ones in the character of the work accomplished. He has a fine corps of teachers, the personnel of which is as follows: Miss Abbie Hall, Belmont; Miss Addie Rendleman, Iron Station; Miss Maud Wilkins, Rutherfordton; Miss Ida Rankin, Belmont; Miss Daisy Fluke, Wadesboro; Miss Bessie Thone, Bostic and Mr. Floyd Whitney, Bessemer City. The last four are new teachers.

The Sunbeams of the Baptist church gave a fine entertainment last night which was enjoyed by a full house.  
Rev. R. R. Caldwell filled his regular appointments in Charlotte yesterday returning here on No. 35 last night.—Rev. J. Frank Armstrong and Mr. C. A. Thornburg went yesterday to St. Paul's Methodist church near Waco where Mr. Armstrong made a missionary address. They report a great congregation and a thoroughly enjoyable day. In the afternoon the young people of the Sunday school rendered a fine missionary program and Mrs. B. T. Morris, of Gastonia, secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Shelby district, made an inspiring address.

Mr. H. D. George was a business visitor to Salisbury and Asheville the latter part of last week.—Mr. Pink Carpenter has returned from a visit of several weeks to relatives near Morganton.—Mrs. Mary Sarvis and Miss Bertha Carpenter are visiting friends in Burke county this week.—Miss Edna Rankin, of Belmont, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. P. Chandler.—Mr. Eugene James, of Sumter county, South Carolina, spent Sunday here visiting friends.

—Miss Vivian Ware, of Kings Mountain, for the past two years one of the efficient teachers in our graded school, is visiting Mrs. E. E. Dettler and other friends here.—Messrs. P. M. Caldwell and R. M. Stroup and Miss Nannie Caldwell, of Symrna, S. C., are expected here this week to visit Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Caldwell.—Mrs. E. L. Froneberger and Mrs. Paul Scott are shopping in Gastonia today.—Mrs. S. J. Durham and Master Plato Durham returned Saturday from a visit to friends in Mt. Airy.—Mr. John Durham was quite sick last week but is on the streets again today.—Mrs. Clarence Goforth, of Kings Mountain, visited her sister, Mrs. Craig C. Kiser, Saturday.—Mr. David Hartsoe returned Saturday from a visit to relatives in Lincoln county. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hartsoe, accompanied him to his home here and spent several days.

Mr. Paul Scott and sister, Miss Diana, will leave Wednesday for Philadelphia where they will enter school.—Miss Susie Anthony, of Greenville, S. C., after visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Thornburg, has gone to Lincolnton to spend some time. Little Lucile, her sister, will leave for her home in Greenville this afternoon.—Miss Fannie Thornburg, after a visit of several days to friends in Mountain Island and Lucia, returned Saturday.—Mr. C. A. Thornburg was a business visitor to Yorkville, S. C., Saturday.—Rev. L. R. Hobbs, the pastor of the Baptist church here, has been tendered a call to the Dallas church but it is said he will not accept.

### Rev. Mr. Barrett Preaches.

Rev. W. C. Barrett, of Durham, who was recently called to the pastorate of the First Baptist church here, preached twice for this congregation Sunday and made a splendid impression. He was heard both morning and evening by large congregations. His subject Sunday morning was "The Plan of Human Life" and he showed, in a strong logical discourse, that every life has its divinely-made plan. At night his subject was "Witnessing for Christ." Mr. Barrett greatly pleased the Gastonia congregation and they are hoping that he will accept the call which has been extended to him. He told the church officials that he would take the call under serious consideration and would give them an answer at an early date. Mr. Barrett is a native of Moore county, this State, and has for the past seven years been pastor of the Second Baptist church at Durham.

### Breaks Collar Bone.

Master Reid Bell, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Bell, of Route 4, met with an unfortunate accident last Friday. While running he fell and broke his collar bone. However, he is improving nicely.

### BELMONT BUDGET.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
BELMONT, Sept. 4.—Miss Melya Guillick was a Charlotte visitor Monday.—Miss Hazellie Love, of Gastonia, spent the week-end with Mrs. R. L. Stowe.—Messrs. Grady and Harley Gaston, of Lowell, were pleasant visitors in town Monday.—Mrs. W. R. Stowe is visiting relatives in Davidson.—Miss Bess Robinson, of Charlotte, visited friends in town Sunday.—Mr. Mack Tucker visited his mother last week.—Mr. A. A. Armstrong was a Gastonia visitor yesterday.—Among those who went on the excursion to Charleston last week were Mr. Will Jackson, Mr. A. J. Saunders and Dr. Davis and family.—Miss Ora Berryhill, of Steel Creek, is visiting Miss Ella Armstrong.—The many friends of Mrs. Ella Hoffman will be sorry to learn that she was compelled to return to the Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, for treatment.

WANTED: You to make our shop your headquarters when in town attending court. It is HEADQUARTERS for First Class Barber Work. Walters' Barber Shop, 12c3.  
—Miss Edith McLean has accepted a position in Register of Deeds A. J. Smith's office at the court house.  
—Mr. W. E. Lutz, agent and operator for the Union Pacific Railroad at McAllister, Kan., returned last week to resume his duties after spending three weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Lutz, near Spencer Mountain.

FOR SALE, No. 6 Remington Typewriter, fine condition, \$35; No. 4 Underwood Visible, \$40. Apply Gazette.

### WILL USE OLD BLUE BACK.

Monroe Graded School Board Gets Back to Webster and the Editor of The Enquirer Says "Glory Be."

Monroe Enquirer, 1st.  
Hurrah for the Monroe graded schools! The old "Blue Back" speller is going to be taught in them. The school board has decided that the old Blue Back speller, the book of our daddies, shall be taught the children in the Monroe graded schools. Glory be to the school board! It is coming some. It ought to be written in the constitution of the State that no person shall be allowed to marry until they have gone through Webster's old Blue Back speller twice. Outside of the good old Blue Back speller has done in teaching children to spell it is worthy a high place—for no book, the Bible excepted, has given the moral teaching to American youth that Webster's Blue Back speller has given. The precepts and moral philosophy in the "reading" in the old Blue Back have stood many a doctor of divinity and great statesman in good stead when teaching the people. The editor of The Enquirer has bought a copy of the old Blue Back to go alongside his York's grammar and Bible. No, he does not go by the teachings of these three books at all times, but in just so far as he does not go by them he gets off the track. The Bible, Webster's Blue Back speller, York's grammar, there you stand, noble trio, up there in our all too meagre library—but multiply that library by ten thousand and yet you would stand a noble trio.

### IN SOCIETY.

#### IN HONOR OF GUEST.

In honor of their guest, Miss Harriet McLean, of Rock Hill, S. C., Misses Annie and Nell McLean will entertain Wednesday evening at their home on South Broad street.

#### MISS ADAMS TO ENTERTAIN.

At her home on South Broad street this evening Miss Johnnie Adams will entertain in honor of her cousin Miss Harriet McLean, of Rock Hill, S. C., who is the guest of Miss Annie McLean.

#### STUDY CLUB TO MEET.

There will be a called meeting of the Study Club Thursday afternoon at 4.30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Joe S. Wray. The object of the meeting will be to give out programs and discuss plans for the coming winter's work.

#### SIX O'CLOCK DINNER.

At her home on South Oakland street last evening Mrs. John F. Love gave a six o'clock dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lee Rhodes and Mrs. C. W. Hopkins. The place cards were hand-painted in rose designs, while the decorations were various tasteful arrangements of red roses. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rhodes, Mrs. R. C. Anderson, Mrs. C. W. Hopkins and Miss Laura Page.

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### District Convention.

The district convention of the Improved Order of Heptasophis will meet with Gaston Conclave, No. 291, on next Tuesday, September 12th, and will be in session one day and night. A large number of delegates will probably be in attendance.

### Goes to Halifax County.

Mr. Grady Gaston, of Lowell, was a visitor in town yesterday. Mr. Gaston leaves in a few days for Aurelian Springs, Halifax county where he is to take charge of a State high school for the coming term. Mr. Gaston is a 1911 graduate of Trinity College and his many friends here and elsewhere wish for him much success in his field of labor.

### Goes to Atlantic City.

His many friends here and elsewhere will be interested to learn that Dr. William B. Hunter, who recently passed the State Board of Health and was granted license to practice medicine, locating at the Loray Mill here, has accepted a position as resident physician at the Atlantic City Hospital, Atlantic City, N. J. He will leave in a few days to take up his work there. Dr. Hunter is a Gastonia boy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hunter, and made an enviable record both at the University of Pennsylvania where he received his medical education and on his examination before the State board. His friends here regret to know that he is to locate elsewhere but wish for him abundant success in his new field of labor.

### Rhine Family Reunion.

The children, grand children and a number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. John L. Rhine, near the Flint Mill east of town, last Wednesday for a family reunion. Of the seven living children all were present but one. Mr. John Rhine, who is a traveling salesman and lives in Arkansas, was unable to be here. Those present were Mrs. Rush Torrence, of Mount Holly; Mrs. T. R. McArver, of Gastonia; Mrs. Robert Rhine, of Cherryville; Messrs. W. G. and A. A. Rhine, of Gastonia, and Dr. R. E. Rhine, of Mount Holly. Among the other guests were Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Boger, of Mount Holly, and Rev. and Mrs. John Hall, of Gastonia. A sumptuous dinner was served on the lawn and a most delightful time was had by all present. There were about 75 in all present.

### Improved Service.

Probably very few of the patrons of the Piedmont Telephone and Telegraph Company knew it, but on Sunday an important improvement in the service to subscribers was inaugurated when the closing of the exchange for certain Sunday hours was done away with and an all-day Sunday service was begun. This makes the service of the local exchange absolutely continuous. The business offices of the company have now been moved to the handsome new building on South Marietta street and it is expected that the new common battery switchboard will be "cut in" some time next week. Every subscriber in the city will also be furnished an entirely new common battery phone, and it will no longer be necessary to "ring central."

### Teachers Hold Meeting.

Yesterday in County Superintendent F. P. Hall's office at the court house there was held a meeting of the school superintendents and high school principals of Gaston county. The object of the meeting was to arrange as far as possible for a uniform course of study throughout the county schools, the aim being to adopt a certain extent the same textbooks in every school. This would obviously facilitate the round table discussions and comparisons to be made at the various county teachers meetings to be held during the coming winter. Certain important selections were also made by the teachers from optional lists suggested by the State text-book commission for use in the schools. The entire course of study from the first through the eleventh grade was carefully gone over and established. There were present at the meeting the following men: Profs. Wray, Grier and Weir, of the Gastonia schools; Henson, from Mount Holly; Query and Armstrong from Belmont; Beam from Dallas, and Ramsour from Lowell; Chise, of Stanley; Messrs. Johnson, of Bessemer City, and Moseby, of Cherryville being unable to attend.

### MRS. A. L. DILLING DEAD

Highly Esteemed Lady of East Gastonia Passed Away Friday Night—Funeral at Main Street Methodist Church Saturday.

At 8 o'clock Friday night, after an illness of more than two months, during a large part of which time she had been a great sufferer, Mrs. Jane Luttia Dilling, wife of Mr. Alberry Dilling, of East Gastonia, passed away at the age of sixty-four years.

Mrs. Dilling was a daughter of the late Caleb and Sarah Huffstetler, and was born in this county on December 13, 1847. She was married to Mr. Alberry L. Dilling in 1875 and was the mother of nine children, one of whom, John, died in infancy. The eight surviving children are Mrs. Nannie Ziem, of Charlotte; Mrs. J. B. Crook, of Pleasant Ridge; Mrs. D. S. Blackman, of Rock Hill, S. C.; Mr. Marshall Dilling, of Gastonia; Mr. Grover C. Dilling, of Hillsboro, Texas; Mrs. Etta Saunders, of Duke, N. C., and Messrs. Charles G. and O. Hunter Dilling, of Gastonia. There are also two brothers and two sisters of the deceased still living, these being Messrs. Ewart N. and H. C. Huffstetler, Mrs. Mary Robinson and Mrs. H. S. Dixon. For many years after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Dilling lived near Mrs. Dilling's parental home in the southern part of the county, but since 1893 they have made their home in Gastonia.

For many years Mrs. Dilling was a member of the Olney Presbyterian church near Pleasant Ridge, but since living in Gastonia she had been a member of Main Street Methodist church, and it was here that the funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. George D. Herman, assisted by Rev. R. C. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church and Rev. A. S. Anderson, pastor of the Loray Presbyterian church. There was present a large concourse of friends of the family who had come to pay a tribute of respect to one whom they had known and loved as a noble Christian woman. Especially touching was the tribute paid to the deceased by her pastor when he spoke of the fruit of her life as exemplified in the large family of children whom she had reared and trained to lives of usefulness and good citizenship. To them, she left a truly priceless heritage in the memory of her beautiful life and lovable character.

Following the funeral services the body was tenderly laid to rest in Hollywood cemetery.

### SAM HURLEY DISAPPEARS.

Gaston Man, Now Prosperous Young Farmer of Cumberland County Disappears Mysteriously Leaving His Bride of Less Than a Year—Married Miss Jessie Mauney.

The following story appeared in Sunday morning's Charlotte Observer as a special dispatch from Fayetteville and will be read with keen interest by all of our readers: "Samuel Hurley, a prosperous young farmer of Cumberland county, has mysteriously disappeared, leaving a disconsolate young bride of less than a year, who is utterly unable to account for his strange disappearance. Thursday morning Hurley's wife, who moved here with her husband from Gastonia shortly after their marriage, returned, after a visit to a neighbor, to their home in 71st township, when she found her husband preparing to go to town. He kissed her and departed, and the young wife has not seen him since.

Her inquiries have elicited the information that he came to this city, sold his horse and buggy for \$115 and was not seen since 2:30 o'clock that day. He had money in the bank but did not draw it. There is no apparent reason for his departure, though he told his wife after moving to this county that he might be suddenly called away from home for a few days. She is confident he will return."

### DR. HAYNES TO REMAIN.

Cliffside Physician Not to Go to Europe This Year—World Congress Postponed.

Dr. Haynes, to whom reference is made in the following clipping from last week's Highlander (Shelby) is a brother of Mrs. R. A. Love, of Gastonia:

Owing to an epidemic of cholera in Italy, the World's Tuberculosis Congress which was to have been held in Rome in September, has been postponed until another year. Dr. B. M. Haynes, of Cliffside, is a member and because of the failure of the congress to meet, he has postponed his trip to that city and to Berlin, Germany, where he expected to continue his special studies on the diseases of the stomach and intestines. He has been pursuing these studies in Philadelphia and other places at various times.

On return from Europe this fall he contemplated locating in some city and becoming a specialist, but owing to the persistent wishes of his many friends and a train of circumstances, Dr. Haynes has deferred this matter and will remain indefinitely at Cliffside.

He is a physician of high ability and this section is fortunate in being able to keep him, even though indefinitely.

Farmers, gardeners and poultrymen will find something of interest to them in The Gazette almost every week. Subscribe and keep up.

### REV. R. C. ANDERSON RESIGNS

Pastor of First Presbyterian Church Accepts Presidency of Montreat Association—Much Regret Felt—Some Details of the Work—Expects to Leave in a Month.

At the conclusion of the regular morning services last Sunday at the First Presbyterian church the pastor, Rev. R. C. Anderson, announced to his congregation that he desired them to unite with him in requesting Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relation existing between him and the church, and that a congregational meeting for that purpose would be held next Sunday, the dissolution being requested in order that Rev. Mr. Anderson could accept the presidency of the Montreat Association which was tendered him some time ago. This statement came as a surprise to the majority of the members of the church and was the occasion of profound regret and sorrow, the entire congregation and Mr. Anderson himself being deeply moved during the announcement.

Since coming to Gastonia six years ago from Shelbyville, Tenn., Mr. Anderson has greatly endeared himself not only to his own congregation but to the whole of Gastonia. A beloved pastor and an eloquent preacher, he has done a great work for the Presbyterian cause in Gastonia. During his pastorate the membership of the church has increased wonderfully, several mission churches have been established at various points in the city and under his direction church work has taken on new impetus. A tireless worker, a consecrated Christian, full of zeal and energy, his place in Gastonia will be hard to fill.

The position to which he has been elected requires a man unique in several respects. He must be not only a sound, sane theologian but a business man of the highest qualifications. He must also have managerial capabilities and executive ability. The Montreat plant represents an investment of \$100,000, in the hands of 250 stockholders from all over the South. The management of such a business together with innumerable details of the work such as the looking after taxes, assessments, buying and selling of the timber from the 3,500 acres of land owned by the Association, arrangement of grounds and buildings, all call for a man of the best business ability.

Of prime importance, however, is the fact that the head of the Montreat Association should be a sound theologian and a consecrated Christian worker. The Presbyterians of the South have selected this place as an assembly meeting-ground and propose to hold there Bible conferences, church work assemblies and missionary rallies. The man who maps out the program for these conferences summer after summer must be keenly alive to all that is best for Christian church work. The Presbyterians hope to make of Montreat a Southern Northfield or Winona Lake.

Mr. Anderson fills all these requirements. He has recently achieved a great success in the freeing of the Association from every indebtedness, and placed it upon a firm footing. It goes without saying that under his leadership the work will go forward with even greater success than has been achieved in the past.

Mr. Anderson expects to leave Gastonia about the second week in October, provided the action of Kings Mountain Presbytery, which meets in the Stanley church September 12th, concurs with his request. During the summer Mr. Anderson will make his home at Montreat while in the winter his headquarters will be in Charlotte. The work will necessitate frequent traveling over the South, presenting the Montreat cause and looking after its interests. At a later date there will be issued a sketch of the work in detail with a statement by Rev. Mr. Anderson.

The Presbyterian Standard, the organ of the Presbyterian church in North Carolina, published in Charlotte, in a recent issue has the following in regard to the work.

"The new President of the Montreat Association, Rev. R. C. Anderson, has demonstrated his possession of rare business qualifications. He has already achieved a success in placing the title of the Association property in the hands of two hundred and fifty stockholders, and most of them small ones, in place of five hundred, that surprised all who knew anything about the difficulties of the undertaking. Under his leadership it is proposed to add to the capacity, comfort, and general attractiveness of the retreat. Cottagers here have already headed his list with thousands of dollars. The worth of the resort to the Church is so great and appeals so strongly to the hearts of the people, he may be expected to succeed."

### Kings Mountain Presbytery.

The regular fall meeting of Kings Mountain Presbytery will convene in the Stanley Presbyterian church Tuesday night, September 12th, at 8 o'clock. Rev. R. S. Burwell, pastor of New Hope Presbyterian church is moderator of this meeting of presbytery. Among other things to come up will be the request from Rev. R. C. Anderson, of Gastonia, that the pastoral relation between him and the First Presbyterian church be dissolved to allow him to accept the presidency of the Montreat Association.

### JUDGE BIGGS RESIGNS

Well-Known and Able Superior Court Judge Leaves the Bench to Accept Professorship in Trinity Law School—What Trinity is Accomplishing in This Department. Special to The Gazette.

DURHAM, Sept. 2.—President Few of Trinity College today made this important announcement. Judge J. Crawford Biggs, formerly professor in the University of North Carolina and for the last five years one of the most distinguished judges of the Superior Court in the State, has resigned his judgeship and accepted a professorship of law in Trinity College. Judge Biggs has behind him a brilliant record as student, teacher, attorney, Supreme Court reporter and judge. This bringing to the school of so learned and accomplished a lawyer is regarded as a most valuable acquisition.

With Dean Samuel F. Mordecai, LL. B., Judge Biggs and R. P. Reade, LL. B., the school is equipped with a faculty that will enable it to carry forward the great objects for which it was seven years ago established. This was the first Southern law school to maintain adequate admission requirements, the first to introduce the case-system and the first to write its own books. Under the brilliant leadership of Dean Mordecai the school continues to hold this primacy. In the face of the disorganized state of legal education in North Carolina the school stands firm for higher standards and better methods of instruction and it goes steadily on putting out books that meet the approval of the highest authorities in the country.

In this movement to raise and invigorate one of the learned professions, Trinity College is making substantial contribution to that moral and intellectual leadership for which every great college in part exists.

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET.

Several Petitions Granted by County Officials—Large Number of Disbursements—Proposed Changes in Roads.

The regular first Monday meeting of the board of county commissioners was held yesterday in the commissioners' room at the court house. An extremely large list of claims was ordered paid. These have been crowded out of today's issue, but will appear Friday. Other business was transacted as follows:

It was ordered that the old public road leading from a point near the Nims Mill via W. B. Rutledge's residence to the Tuckasee road be made a public road.

R. L. Smith was declared an outside pauper and allowed to draw \$6 per quarter.

The monthly reports of J. Q. Holland were ordered accepted and recorded among the official reports.

W. A. Connor, Gastonia township, was exempted from poll tax on account of physical infirmities.

John Millen was declared an outside pauper and allowed to draw \$4 per quarter with S. M. Wylie as agent.

It was ordered that the reports of the auditing committee be accepted and recorded in the record of official reports.

The county physician was directed to vaccinate all the prisoners in the county jail. The county reports of Dr. L. N. Glenn were ordered accepted and filed.

The petition from J. A. Smith et al, some time ago for a cartway was ordered adopted as per report of jury.

The superintendent of roads was instructed to investigate the proposed public road leading from Hoyle's bridge to the public road at Mauney's bridge as per petition of E. D. Thompson et al.

The chairman was ordered to endorse the road bond certificate.

The remainder of the Bessemer City-Gastonia road and the Linwood road to the creek were ordered finished with top soil.

On motion it was ordered that A. G. Mangum be re-elected county attorney at same salary as heretofore.

It was ordered that the treasurer be authorized to pay the jury wickets as certified by the clerk of the Superior Court.

Little Froneberger was declared a pauper and allowed to go to the county home.

E. P. Lewis was released of tax on 24 acres of land in Dallas township.

E. L. Sandifer was elected superintendent of chain gang camp No. 2 at a salary of \$75 per month and horse feed.

### Total Production 12,918,200 Bales.

Washington, Sept. 1.—A total production of 12,918,200 bales of cotton as the final yield this year is indicated by the department of agriculture's official report of the condition of the growing crop on August 25, which the crop reporting board, from reports from its correspondents and agents throughout the cotton belt, estimated today at 73.2 per cent of a normal.

This estimate, based on the ratio of the average yield for the past ten years, would mean a final yield of 181.65 pounds per acre on the planted area of approximately 34,000,000 acres, allowing for an abandoned acreage of 1,000,000 and providing the crop does not decline or improve from the date the condition was estimated to time of picking.

The food and bread wots are assuming alarming proportions in France. In the departments of Oise and Aisne there are thousands on the verge of starvation.