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# MEWS FROM NEARBY

SETTLEMYER-WYATT.

Popular Young People of West Gastonia Married Saturday Evening— Another Wedding Sunday Evening— Live Loray Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

WEST GASTONIA, Nov. 27. - A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Riddle last Saturday evening, November 25th, at 8 o'clock, when Miss Fronnie Wyatt was married to Mr. C. T. Settlemyer. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Peeler, pastor of West End and Franklin Avenue churches, in the presence of a few of the most intimate friends or the bride and groom. The wedding came as a surprise to almost every one, only a few having any knowledge of the affair until it was all over. Mr. Settlemyer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Settlemyer, and is a young man of sterling character. well liked by all who know him, and promises to be one of West Gastonia's most successful business men. Mrs. Settlemyer is the daughter or Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wyatt, and is one of West Gastonia's most popular young ladies. Their many friends wish for them a long and happy life. Mr. T. M. McIntire is in Gaffney.

S. C., on business today.—Mrs. A. B. McAllister will go to Salisbury one day this week to visit her brother, Mr. George Sloop, who has been in ill health for quite a while.—Misses Estelle and Dora Lewis, of Catawba county, came over to visit their brother, Mr. L. P. Lewis, Saturday and will probably make their home here with Mr. Lewis.

"I b'lieve I'm in Dallas, By-Gosh!" was the remark of a fellow who was about three sheets in the wind, as he stepped out into the street last Saturday evening just as the streets were being litghted up for the first time. This end of town is exceedingly well lighted up, every one seems to be satisfied with the lights, and are praising them very highly. Mr. J. M. Elliott, who is attending

Draughon's Business College in Charlotte, recently spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Elliott.-Messrs, T. M. McEntire and A. B. McAllister will represent the Loray Mills at the Southern Textile Association's meeting to be held in Atlanta, Ga., Saturday, December 2. -Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Hooper have returned to Gastonia from Drayton, S. C., where they have been making their home for the past three months. Mr. Hooper will have charge of the roller shop at the Loray Mills. They will make their home in West Gastonia and their many friends are glad to have them back again.

Mr. John Reinhardt and Miss Rebecca Ward, both of West Gastonia, were married Sunday evening, November 26th, at 8 o'clock at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Peeler, Rev. Mr. Peeler officiating.

The Methodist people of West Gastonia are exceedingly glad to have Rev. J. A. Peeler back with them for another year. Mr. Peeler is a strong and forceful eneater, a good man and a splendid worker. The church at the Ozark Mill in East Gastonia has been united with those

#### BESSEMER BRIEFS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, Nov. 27. Misses Lillie and King, of Linwood College, visited friends in this vicinity over Sabbath and attended on Saturday night the box social conducted by the A. R. P. Missionary Society. The society realized quite a neat little sum from the sale of boxes. The

church generally.

There was a "possum" roast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whitney on Saturday night. About 20 plates were set and the occasion was a most pleasant one. It is useless to say that the young friends present enjoyed, to the fullest, the social feature as well as the feast of fat

proceeds go toward the work of the

things,
There was a large gathering or
children and young people at the
service for children in the A. R. P.
church, yesterday.

There will be services in the A. R. P. church next Thursday at 10 a. m. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. J. E. Hornbuckle has accepted the position of overseer of the weaving department of the Harborough Mills.-Miss Addie Rendlemen, one of our teachers in the graded schools was called to her home in Iron Station to the bedside of her mother .-Mr. S. J. Durham is able to be out again after being confined to his room for several days last week .-Miss Maggie Hall, who is a member of the graded school faculty of Cherryville this year, was a pleasant visitor in town Sunday .- Messrs. D. P Dellinger and A. J. Kirby, of Gastonia, were business visitors here last Friday .- Mr. W. R. Carpenter, a member of the firm of Carpenter Tanning Co., of Cherryville, was in town a short while Saturday .- Mrs. W. H. Holmes and children, of Lowell, are visiting relatives in town.-Miss Verona Harrelson, of Cherry ville, is visiting at the home of Rev and Mrs. J. F. Harrelson.

-Mr. J. E. Montague, proprietor of the Falls House, is quite ill at the Charlotte Sanitorium.

—The Misses Carson, proprietors of Hotel Franklin, announce a special Thanksgiving dinner for Thursday. See their advertisement elsewhere in today's Gazette.

—Charlotte New,s 27th: Misses Antoinette Harwood and Lida Brooks, both of Texas; Miss Lucy Boyce, of Gastonia, and Miss Sarah Cansler, of this city, a group of attractive girls from the Presbyterian College, will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with Miss Annie Wharton, another young lady from the Presbyterian College, at her home in Greensboro.

of this end of town, and Mr. Peeler will have charge of all three churches this year. The members wish for him a most successful year's work.

Rev. A. T. Lindsay preached to quite a large congregation in the Lindsay store building last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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#### Dallas Dots.

Interesting Items of News from Gastonia's Nearest Neighbor.

The Advocate, 24th.

Mrs. Effic Lambert, national organizer for the W. C. T. U., lectured to a fair sized audience in the school building Tuesday night. She failed to organize a union here.

Rev. E. N. Crowder, the new Methodist pastor, will preach here the first Sunday in December.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Cornwell are now occupying the residence belonging to Mr. Summey C. Cornwell, in

West Dallas.

The friends of Mr. J. R. Lewis will be glad to learn that he has opened his store.

his store.

Rev. O. I. Hinson left for Shelby
Thursday where he goes to be pastor

of the Shelby circuit.

Mr. G. Floyd Beam and family moved here from Cherryville yesterday. They are occupying the residence belonging to Mr. G. R. Rhyne,

of Gastonia.

The Dallas Cotton Mill, and all its properties, will be sold at public auction January 3rd. It is reported that D. Poly Rhodes, of Lincolnton, is a prospective buyer. This mill employes a large number of workmen, and it is hoped that it will re-

sume operations soon.

Rev. J. J. Beach, Mr. H. B. Moore and Mr. R. S. Lewis, of Dallas, went to Lincolnton Monday to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the South Fork Association. This committee meets once a year for the purpose of making recommendations to the State convention as to appropriations and other purposes.

Deputy Sheriff George Lohr, of this town, made an effort to arrest four negro gamblers Monday night. The officer had suspicioned the boys and followed them to a house and watched them until he was satisfied that they were gambling. He then attempted to catch them but in vain He succeeded in getting hold of one one ofccThO cmfwy cmfwyp cmfwym of the boys but the negro was much the best man and made his escape.

# Personal Mention.

-"The Thief" at the opera house next Monday night.

-Mr. J. M. Wilson, of Lowell, is in the city today on business.

-Miss Edna Long, of Belmont, was the guest Sunday of Mr. J. R. Baber's family.

—Mr. B. M. Holland left this morning on a business trip to Gainesville and Atlanta, Ga.

ville and Atlanta, Ga.

—Hon. O. F. Mason is spending several days in Charlotte this week on professional business.

Mr. John D. McLean, Jr., of South Point, was in Gastonia on business yesterday.

 Mrs. M. . Thorn is spending

the week at Belment as the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. K. Hembree.
—Gaston Conclave No. 391, I. O. H. will do degree work tonight. All

II., will do degree work tonight. All members are urged to attend.
 —Messrs. G. W. Howe and J. Ross Ratchford, of Belmont, spent

Sunday with friends in Gastonia.

—Mr. P. T. Heath, of Atlanta, Ga., is a business visitor in Gastonia to-

-Mrs. K. J. Kennedy, of Bessemer City, route two, was among yesterday's visitors in Gastonia.

 Miss Pearl Gallant will attend the State Teachers Assembly at Raleigh the latter part of the week.
 Miss Lula Whitesides will spend

Thanksgiving at Greensboro as the guest of Mrs. T. B. Brown.

—Miss Nannie Biggerstaff, of Sunshine, is the guest of Mr. W. N.

Sunshine, is the guest of Mr. W. N. Davis' family.

-Mrs. T. A. Wilkins went to Shelby Saturday, being called there

on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. T. K. Barnett.

—Miss Fannie Dellinger, of Cherryville, is in town for a few days visiting her brother, Attorney David P.

—Mr. George Cocker has returned from Roanoke Rapids, where he spent several days last week installing some mill machinery.

-Mr. M. C. Thorn left last night

Dellinger.

mother, Mrs. Hannah C. Thorn, who is quite ill.

—Mrs. Rebecca C. Bryan, who has been visiting friends here for the past several weeks, will leave to-

for Trenton, N. J., on a visit to his

morrow morning for her home in Atlanta.

—Mr. J. K. Dixon, Jr., of Spartanburg, S. C., assistant State Bank Examiner for South Carolina; spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dixon.

—Miss Josephine Atkins, of Newells, spent Sunday and yesterday here with her cousin, Miss Lillian Atkins. She came to attend the concert given last night by the Music

—Mr. T. C. Smith, rural letter carrier on route one, has been on the sick list for the past few days. His substitute, Mr. Bradley Holland, is carrying the mail.

#### J. T. SPENCER DEAD

Pioneer Citizen of Gastonia Passed Away Sunday Morning—Funeral and Burial Yesterday.

After a lingering illness of six months or more, and having been for a week at the very point of death, Mr. John T. Spencer died Sunday morning at 6:35 o'clock at his home on East Long avenue. Funeral services were conducted at Main Street Methodist church, of which Mr. Spencer had been a member and an official ever since the church was organized, at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Abernethy, assisted by Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway, pastor of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church. In a sincere tribute to the high Christian character and useful life of his departed friend, Dr. Galloway spoke from a close personal acquaintance and friendship going back over the eighteen years of his pastorate here. during nearly all of which time Mr. Spencer was his neighbor. He spoke of the last few months of Mr. Spencer's illness, a period when he was shut in from his accustomed active participation in the business life of the community, as a time of ripening and preparation for his final passing out into the larger and freer life of the spirit.

The service was attended by a large number of the friends of the deceased, who had gathered to pay a last silent tribute to one whose upright and consistent life made staunch friends for him among all who knew him. Following the funeral service the body was laid to rest in the family plot in Oakwood cemetery.

John Theodore Spencer was born in the Olney neighborhood of the county on June 9, 1838, being a son of the late William and Nancy Spencer, and a direct descendant in the third generation of Zachariah Spencer, from whom Spencer Mountain was given its name. At the age of fourteen, in 1852, he went to Dardanell, Yell county, Arkansas, and at the beginning of the Civil War enlisted in the First Arkansas mounted riflemen. He served with gallantry throughout the war, having been engaged in twenty-five or 'thirty battles, including the battles of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, Atlanta Nashville and Pittsburg Landing. He surrendered with his comrades at Jamestown, N. C., in the spring of 1865 and started for his former home in Arkansas, but after having gone as far as Mississippi, decided to return to his boyhood home in Gaston county.

Mr. Spencer at the time of his death was pre-eminently the pioneer citizen of Gastonia, having built the second house ever erected within the original limits of the town house he built on the site now occupied by the First Presbyterian church, in 1875 and occupied it as a residence for a number of years, later moving to a residence on Chester street. As a contractor and builder, in which work Mr. Spencer had been engaged for nearly half a century, he built a large number of the substantial residences and business houses of the town, and was known to all as a man of sterling honesty and fairness in all his business dealings.

Mr. Spencer was married in 1865 to Miss Lenore Catherine Robinson, a daughter of Levi and Miriam Robinson, who survives him. To this union there were born ten children, three of whom died in infancy and one, Mr. Jerome F. Spencer. died about two years ago. The surviving children are Messrs. George R. and S. Elmer Spencer and Misses Laura and Mamie Spencer, of Gastonia, Mr. J. Alonzo Spencer, of Charlotte, and Mr. C. W. Spencer, of Washington, D. C.

In the death of Mr. Spencer Main Street Methodist church loses a member whose record of service probably surpassed that of any other member aron the church roll. Mr. Spencecr was a member of the old Shilon Methodist church before the Main Street society was organized, and was an official member of the latter from the time it was organized until his death, having been a trustee during the whole period and a steward for more than fifteen years. White a quiet, unobtrusive disposition his force of character and his upright life made him a strong influence for good in the church and the community.

# Stradley sells it for less.

Scarlet Fever Closes Schools.

Announcement was made from the pulpits of the town Sunday that, owing to the prevalence of scarlet fever in the families of a number of patrons of the city schools, work in all grades below the high school department would be suspended during the present week at the Central school. It had been previously announced that Thursday and Friday would be given as Thanksgiving hotidays. The work of the mill schools is going on without interruption. The class rooms at the Central school are being thoroughly disinfected, those affected are being quarantined and every possible precaution is being taken to prevent any further spread of this disease among the pu-

—Charlotte News, 26th: Mr. John L. Bryan, of Gastonia, a man of long experience in the clothing business, is a new acquisition of the H. C. Long Company. Mr. Bryan was for 18 years the buyer and manager for one of the leading department houses of Gastonia, and brings to the local firm a knowledge of business and an acquaintance with the clothing industry that will be a valuable asset. He begins his duties tomorrow.

## BEGINS NEW PASTORATE

Rev. J. E. Abernethy, New Pastor of Main Street Methodist Church, Preaches Twice to Large Congregations—Begins Ministry Here Under Most Favorable Circumstan-

Rev. J. E. Abernethy, the new pastor of Main Street Methodist church, preached Sunday morning and evening to two large congregations, the edifice being full to its capacity at both hours. The evening service was in the nature of a union service the congregations of the other churches of the town joining with the Methodists in welcoming their new pastor.

new pastor. At the morning hour Mr. Abernethy's discourse was on the subject of The Christian Life." In a masterly sermon he showed the fallacy of the views of the atheist, the infidel and the agnostic. The arguments so orten advanced by the unbeliever were answered in a convincing manner. The mysteries and apparent inconsistencies of the Bible and religion are all on the divine side, not on the human side. Numerous striking itlustrations were used by the speaker and his logical and dispassionate plea for the living of the Christian life made a strong impression upon his

At night Mr. Abernethy's discourse dealt with the progress Christianity had made with special reference to the points in which the modern church has gained in system, in education, in a better equipped ministry, in works of charity and numerous other things but has lost in its consciousness of God, the most vitar of all points in the life of the church. So strenuous has become the life of the people today, so mad is the rush for entertainment that church members of today have no time to give to the worship of God. They are liberal in their contributions but not with heir time. The speaker deplored the fact that such a condition of arfairs exists and, in this respect, plead for a return to the days of our fath-

In both of Sunday's services Mr. Abernethy made a splendid impression upon his hearers. He is a most pleasing speaker, a cogent thinker, a student and withal a gentleman of most pleasing personality. He begins his ministry at Gastonia under most favorable circumstances.

### WELCOMED AT WADESBORO.

In Beautiful Union Service Rev. G.
D. Herman, Formerly of Gastonia
and Rev. W. Bruce Doyle, New
Presbyterian Minister, Are Extended Warm Welcome to New
Field of Labor—Rev. W. H. Reddish Participates in Service.
The following from westerder's

The following from yesterday's Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer will be of interest to a large number of Gazette readers as it has much to say of two former Gastonia pastors, Rev. W. H. Reddish of the Baptist church, and Rev. George D. Herman, of the Methodist church:

The Methodist church was seated

to its fullest capacity last night, for the beautiful union service which was held there in honor of the new Methodist and Presbyterian pastors, Rev. G. D. Herman and Rev. W. Bruce Doyle.

Rev. C. G. Bradley, of the Episcopal church, conducted the service in a most dignified and impressive manner, beginning with the reading of appropriate scripture lesson, which was followed by an earnest prayer by Rev. W. H. Reddish, of the Baptist Church. Then Mr. Bradley, who was the first of the four new pastors to arrive here, made a short address of welcome, personally, officially and for the town of Wadesboro. He spoke of the spirit of unity which permeates the atmosphere of Wadesboro, and said that though the different denominations differed in some things that need never be given a second thought, they could be depended upon to unite their forces in one common warfare against sin.

Mr. Reddish extended a hearty welcome to Mr. Herman and Mr. Doyle in behalf of 450 Baptists. 'We welcome you for what you are and for what you represent, and wish you God speed," he said. Mr. Reddish was enthusiastic in his praise of Wadesboro's people and described Wadesboro as a "little gem." He said, though, that there is plenty of work still to do, and that is why the four new pastors are here. Among the things Wadesboro needs, is a Betterment Association that will look after beautifying the town, and a free library.

Mr. Reddish said that because a preacher is a preacher, he should be no less a man—should be a greater, better man—and should stand in the front ranks and fight for civic right-eousness and a clean government

Mr. Reddish and Mr. Herman are old friends, and Mr. Reddish declared him a man of superb character, a Christian gentleman and a fearless denouncer of sin. With a humorous twinkle in his eye he said that Mr. Doyle was a stranger to him, but had received the finishing touch to his education in Louisville Baptist Seminary, and from that he could vouch for his being a "scholarly preacher, a gentleman and a Christian, who

would acquit himself like a man."
Mr. Doyle is an Irishman, and his
eyes sparkled with humor as he rose
with a witty retort, but presently he
launched out on a deep sea of
thought and all were most favorably
impressed with the new Presbyterian

After Mr. Doyle, Mr. Herman rose and were con and said that he was glad to be sta- Mr. Bradley.

#### TO FIGHT PINE BEETLE

andowners of County Are Asked to Gather at Gastonia Next Tuesday to Hear State and Government Experts on Eradication of the Pine Beetle—Pine Forests Being Ruined and Concerted Action is Necessary.

The North Carolina Forestry Association, in connection with the United States States Department of Entomology, will hold a meeting in the court house here Tuesday, December 5th, at 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of giving the farmers and others of the county who are interested information as to the ravages now being done by the pine beetle throughout this entire section of the country. These experts will make addresses on this very important subject and will also so into the forests near Gasionia and make, for the benefit of landowners, practical demonstrations as to have to eradicate this destruct ve pest.

Mr. A. C. Stroup, of Gastonia, vice-president of the North-Carolina Forestry Association, says that it is necessary for concerted action to be taken by our landowners if our pine forests are to be saved from the ravages of the pine beetle. Gaston county is, or should be, very much interested in this movement to put this devastating insect out of business and Mr. Stroup hopes that every man in the county who is at all interested will be present at the court house next Tuesday afternoon at the appointed hour.

Mr. Stroup names the following committee on publicity: A. M. Henderson, W. R. Rutledge, C. F. Smith, G. R. Rhyne, F. P. Hall, John McLean, W. M. Huffstetler, W. A. Falts, W. T. Rankin, D. P. Dellinger, E. P. Lewis, E. P. Lineberger, W. W. Faires, J. T. Oates, J. J. George, J. A. Smith, O. G. Falls, Henry Kiser, N. B. Kendrick, Guss Stroup, E. L. Wilson, Ed Thompson and J. C. Puett.

#### BEATTIE ADMITS GUILT.

Virginia Wife-Murderer Confesses to Awful Crime Before He Goes to Electric Chair,

Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., died in the electric chair of the Virginia State penitentiary last Friday morning just at dawn in explation of the crime he committed last July when he murdered his young wife on the Midlothian turnpike near Richmond. The hour for the electrocution was not made public, hence no crowd was around the prison at the time. Reporters were barred from the death chamber, it being contrary to the laws of the State of Virginia for the newspapers to publish details of executions.

On the day before the execution Beattie made a signed statement acknowledging his crime and this was made public four hours after the electrocution by one of the ministers who attended him. The statement is as follows:

"I, Henry Clay Beattle, Jr., desirous of standing right before God and man, do on this, the twenty-third day of November, 1911, confess my guilt of the crime charged against me. Much that was published concerning the details was not true, but the awful fact, without the harrowing circumstances, remains. For this action, I am truly sorry, and beglieving that I am at peace with God, and am soon to pass into His presence, this statement is made."

# Hearing Postponed.

Because of the absence from the city of Mr. O. F. Mason, one of the attorneys for the plaintiffs, the hearing in the matter of condemnation proceedings instituted some days ago by the Piedmont & Northern Railway Co. against Mr. J. I. Green for the possession of a certain piece of property on East Franklin avenue, set to be held before Mr. C. C. Cornwell, clerk of the Superior Court, this morning, was postponed untir Friday of this week. The postponement was granted by the clerk after hearing argument for the plaintiff by Attorney A. G. Mangum. Mr. A. C. Jones, of the firm of Jones & Timberlake, represents the defendants The property in question is between Columbia and Avon streets. The railroad company, as previously noted, has purchased property on both sides of this particular lot. The railroad, it is understood, claims that it, or or its agent, took an option on this property at a certain price and, before the option expired. asked for a deed to it. The owner, Mr. J. I. Green, and his agents, it is stated, refused to make a deed to the property and condemnation proceedings were instituted. The result of the hearing Friday will be awaited with interest by the public.

tioned in Wadesboro, and he expected to stay as long as the law of his church would permit. He was greatly impressed with the beautiful spirit of Christian fellowship and love which made the union service such a sweet communion of hearts and souls. He said that in all things which would promote Christian fellowship, fraternity and love, he and his church could be depended upon. He paid a beautiful tribute to his friend.

Mr. Reddish.

It is clearly evident that Wadesboro is to be congratulated on her new pastors, and the spirit of unity that exists between the denominations is indeed beautiful. Long may

The services were interspersed with the sweetest songs and musta, and were concluded with a prayer by Mr. Bradley.

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