DEATH NEAR DALLAS.

Miss Susan Maxwell Dies After Brief Illness-Buried at Stanley-News Notes and Personals of Stanley. Correspondence of The Gazette.

STANLEY, Dec. 7,-Miss Bessie Morris was the guest of her cousin, Miss Hester Summey, at Henrletta for Thanksgiving, returning home Sunday.—Miss Edith Mason spent Thanksgiving with her mother, returning to Hamlet Sunday.—Mrs. H. R. Thompson returned from Drexel Saturday where she had spent several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tilly .- Miss Edna Cannon spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Padgett, at Lincolnton.—Mr. and Mrs. George Shelton, of Matthews, spent Sunday with their mother here.-Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Summerrow and Master Thomas Edward, Jr., of Gastonia, returning to McAdenville Sunday.— Miss Carrie Thomas, who has been the milliner for the B. F. Carpenter Company, leaves this week for her home at Newbern .- Mr. Laban Clemmer is moving his family to town and will occupy the house he recently purchased from Mr. R. E. Carpenter, while Mr. O. B. Carpenter will move into his new bungalow, although it is not completed.

After an illness of several weeks Miss Susan Maxwell died Wednesday at her home near Dallas and her body was brought to Stanley for burial Thanksgiving day. Services were conducted by Rev. R. H. Cline and the body was laid to rest beside her parents, her mother having preceded her to the grave only a few weeks before.

your Christmas shopping

-Be sure to shop with the home merchants.

-Mr. F. H. Robinson, of Dallas, was a Gastonia visitor yesterday. -Mrs. J. W. Dellinger, of Stanley,

was a Gastonia visitor yesterday. -Mr. F. C. Proctor, of the Efird Company's sales force, spent Sunday with friends at Kings Mountain.

-Messrs Hanna & McArver ceived yesterday a car-load of fine Tennessee hogs.

-Mr. J. Alonzo Rhyne, of Dallas, was in Gastonia on business yester-

-Attorney N. F. McMillan, of

Kings Mountain, was in Gastonia on business yesterday. -Dr. and Mrs. Frank R. Anders

returned yesterday from a visit to relatives in Charlotte. -Read the opening chapter of our

new serial "Miss Minerva and William Green Hill" on page ten.

-Miss Carrie Hill, of Pelham, S. C., has entered the City Hospital as a student nurse.

-Mrs. N. W. Lumpkin and children, of Newbern, are visiting Mrs. Lumpkin's father, Capt. C. M. Nolen, local association. This is distinctly

CONTAINS A JOKER.

Aldrich Currency Reform Scheme Would Allow Banks to Use Corporation Securities as Reserve -Some Comment on the President's Message.

-By C. H. Tavenner-WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 6. -The Aldrich currency system is near enough to be taken seriously by the country. The Aldrich Monetary commission is holding daily sessions. Banks favorable to the scheme are bringing what pressure they can on the members of both parties to get them to view the Aldrich idea favorably. A million dollar fund is being raised to finance a campaign in sup-

port of the proposition. Ex-Senator Aldrich professes to believe that he will be able to rush a and Miss Willye Summerrow, of bill inaugurating the "Central Re-Charlotte, spent Sunday with their serve Association" through at this parents here.-Miss Ethel Hales session of Congress. The fact his spent the week-end with her parents, idea is looked upon with disfavor and alarm by the small bankers and the people of the country does not discourage him. He has passed joker-laden tariff bills for the trusts in the past in the very teeth of the opposition of the entire country. Apparently he thinks he can do the same thing with the currency plan, which he feels would be a fitting, crowning glory to his achievements as a statesman. But he may be disappointed, as he is reckoning without the progressive Democrats and Republicans in both Houses who stand ready to begin a campaign of education of the people to the tremendous menace of his scheme, a: the first opportunity that offers.

One feature of the Aldrich currency plan which has been largely overlooked, is so characteristic of the author that it may discredit the whole program. It virtually permits the control reserve association to discount railroad and other corporation securities.

This is one of the concealed jokers in the Aldrich plan. To mislead the public, Mr. Aldrich proposes that the central association, as he calls it, shall discount for banks any commercial paper properly endorsed by the district association to which the bank belongs. In his public discussions he mentions no other form of dis-counts than commercial paper. But there is in reality this added provision: that the central association shall discount the direct obligation of any bank, upon a certificate from the district association that the bank seeking this discount has deposited with the association securities satisfactory to the association, which will be dom inated by Wall Street banks.

The profits the banks can make on straight commercial paper, which has a value of its own, are restricted to legitimate profits. But corporation securities have chiefly a manufactured value, and the Aldrich plan would enable banks loaded down with undigested securities, put our from Wall Street, to draw good money from the Central association by depositing these securities with the MISS DAVIES COMING.

Well Known Methodist Missionary Worker to be Here Next Monday-Will Deliver Address at Main Street Church at Night-Informal Reception at Home of Mr. G. A. Gray Monday Afternoon.

Miss Daisy Davies, of Atlanta, Ga., will spend next Monday in Gastonia, coming as the guest of the missionary societies of the Methodist church. She will deliver a public address on missionary work in general at Main Street Methodist church Monday night at 7:30 o'clock and a cordiat invitation is extended to members of all denominations to come out and

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon an informal reception will be tendered Miss Davies at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gray on South street and all the ladies of the Methodist church are especially invited to meet Miss Davies there at that time.

The Gastonia societies were very fortunate indeed to be able to secure Miss Davies for an address here. She is en route to Charlotte to attend the interdenominational jubilee services on Wednesday. Those who have heard Miss Davies, at the Greensboro jubilee and elsewhere, co not hesitate to state that she is one of the best missionary speakers in the South. She has a message to deliver and she does it in a manner that cannot fail to elicit the attention and interest of all her hearers.

The Gazette is asked to state that all the people of the town are cordially invited to come out to Main Street church Monday night and hear Miss Davies and the ladies hope that she will be given a packed house.

To Mr and Mrs. J. Frank Starnes, Monday. December 4th, 1911, a daughter.

an Aldrichesque proposition.

The only definite thing in Prestdent Taft's message to Congress is his attempt to prove that the farcical tobacco trust decree is a most excercellent enforcement of the Sherman anti-trust law. He would make the people believe that the tobacco trust decision practically solves the trust He complacently assumes problem. that this decision is certain at some indefinite period to restore competition, and soften the evils of illegal monopoly if it does not indeed completely eradicate them.

Once again, therefore, the Prestdent is found advocating in a message to congress a cause that is not popular with the people, for the merest tyro in the study of trusts recoguizes the tobacco trust "dissolution" as a victory for that monopoly. That even Wall Street so considers it is evidenced by the fact that the securities of the tobacco trust are higher after the "dissolution" than

"The punishment' inflicted upon the American Tobacco Company for being in existence in violation of the declares Chairman Stanley of the Steel investigating committee, is worth hundreds of millions of dellars to that concern. There is not a trust in the United States or in the world which would not give millions to be 'dissolved' as it has been dis-

And the President devotes his official message to Congress to an attempt to make it appear that this tobacco trust decision is a great victory for the independent tobacco men

and the people! Estimates of the treasury department for running the government during the next fiscal year, which have just been submitted to Congress contemplate a saving of \$21,283,921,-43, as compared with the amount appropriated for the fiscal year 1911-

This is in contrast to past Republican performances, Mark, for instance the following comparative figures which best tell the story of Repub-

lican extravagance: ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS. 1890 \$340,000,000 600,000,000 .1,103,387,508 PER CAPITA COST OF RUNNING GOVERNMENT. 6.00 8.00

**** ***** ***** * 12.40 Why have the Republicans suddenly developed symptoms of economy, this particular year reducing their estimates after having regularly increased their expenditures every year

for sixteen years? The answer is that the Republican department heads knew extravagant estimates could not pass the scrutiny of the Democratic House.

Notwithstanding their admission that they will be able to get along for \$21,000,000 less, there has been no marked complaint from the Republican officials that they will be stinted or hampered in their work. The Democratic leaders made it plain at the start that the necessary expenses of the government were to be met as usual, but that all unnec- of business on December 5th. The essary items would have to be cut call for these statements was issued

NEW CONCERN FOR GASTONIA.

Holland Realty & Insurance Co. Applies for_Charter-Will Deal in Real Estate, Insurance, Etc., and Will Make Specialty of Building Bungalows and Selling on Easy Payment Plan.

Application was made Wednesday to the Secretary of State for a charter for the Holland Realty & Insurance Co., of Gastonia, to do a general real estate and investment bustness, write life and fire insurance, and transact other business along the lines usually handled by firms of this class. The subscribed capital stock is \$5,000 with an authorized capital stock of \$100,000. The incorporators are Messrs. B. M. Holland, J. M. Holland and P. Woods Garland, Jr.

The officers of the new company will be as follows: President, B. M. Holland: vice president and attorney, P. Woods Garland, Jr.; secretary and treasurer, J. M. Holland; architect, F. L. Bonfoey.

In the organization and chartering of this company is found another evidence of the growth of Gastonia in that one of the prime objects in view by the firm is the building of bungalows and selling them on the easy payment plan. For the present, of course, this feature of the business will not be carried on on any very extensive scale but the promoters believe that there is a splendid field here for just such a concern and if the demand justifies it they will launch out on this feature of the business on a largely increased scale in the near future.

This company has been exceedingly fortunate in the connections it has made with reference to the handling of life insurance, having secured the exclusive local agency for the Security Life & Annuity, of Greensboro, the pioneer home company in the State and one that has had a wonderfully successful career so far. In the matter of fire insurance the company has formed connections with several large compan-

Mr. B. M. Holland, president of the company, has been a resident of Gastonia for about twelve years. having come here from Chester. He is a business man of ability and has large experience.

Mr. J. M. Holland, secretary and treasurer, has for the past four years been connected with the Spencer Mountain Mills and the Holland Manufacturing Company as bookkeeper and has supervised the bookkeeping of the Eureka Manufacturing Company at Lincolnton also. His theoretical training in bookkeeping was received at Kings Business College and his large experience since then in practical work renders him Mr. Holland has gained for himself quite a reputation for his analytical and cost-accounting work and expects to do more or less auditing in connection with his duties as secretary and treasurer of the new concern. As soon as Mr. Holland is relieved of his present duties he will devote his entire time to his new position.

Mr. F. L. Bonfoey, of Charlotte, the company's architect, who will not only plan but actually supervise the construction of their bungalows. located in Charlotte about four years ago, coming to that city from New York. He has furnished the plans for a majority of the bungalows built in Charlotte during that period and Charlotte has gained a reputation of being a "bungalow" town.

Mr. P. Woods Garland, Jr., vice president and attorney of the company, has been a resident of Gastonia for the past five or six years, having come to Gastonia from Virginia. He is a prominent member of the local He received his education at bar. the University of Virgina, since leaving which institution he has been actively engaged in the practice of law.

That there is a field here for just such a concern as that fust organized does not seem to admit of doubt. The many friends of the men composing this firm wish for them success in their work, for the success of every new enterprise here means success for Gastonia.

-Messrs. J. M. Reinhardt and C. G. Derr, of Stanley, were in Gastonia a short while yesterday, having made the trip by automobile.

-Mrs. T. A. Wilkins and little daughter returned Wednesday from a visit to Mrs. Wilkins' mother, Mrs. T. K. Barnett, of Shelby, who has been ill, but is now much better.

-Mr. David P. Dellinger returned last night from Winston-Salem, where he attended the Baptist State Convention as a delegate from the First Baptist church.

-There could be no more appropriate Christmas gift than a year's subscription to The Gazette. Remember your old Gaston friends at a distance in this way and they will think of you at least 104 times during 1912.

-Mr. P. M. Rhyne, the Dallas real estate man, who has an adverisement elsewhere in this issue calling for dead pine wood, asks us to state that he wants the wood sawed and peeled five feet long.

-Mr. Pink Kendrick, of route two, was operated on Wednesday at the City Hospital for appendicitis. His many friends will be glad to know that he is recovering very satisfactorily from the operation.

-In this issue of The Gazette will be found statements of the condition of the Citizens National Bank and the First National Bank at the close yesterday.

STATE CONVENTION.

Eighty-First Annual Baptist State Convention in Session at Winston-Salem This Week-Rev. C. H. Durham, Former Gastonia Pastor, Elected President.

The eighty-first annual convention of the Baptists of North Carolina met in Winston-Salem Tuesday, the opening sermon being preached by Rev. W. R. L. Smith, pastor of the Chapel Hill Baptist church. Using as his text the familiar passage from Exodus, "Say unto the children of Israel, go forward," the speaker delivered a stirring message to the ministers and delegates, urging them to progress in the work of the church. After the sermon the convention was called to order by the retiring president, Mr. W. C. Dowd. of Charlotte, and there were brief addresses of welcome before the convention started with routine busness. For the first time in five years the convention selected a minister as president, Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the Lumberton Baptist church, and formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Gastonia, being unanimously chosen to that

Reports made to the convention on the opening day show that the 225,-000 Baptists of North Carolina, in spite of a bad year, paid all claims in full and have a creditable balance in the treasury of the State organization, having raised during the year a total of \$247,245, of which \$109,-285 was for missions.

At a mass-meeting held Wednesday night in connection with the session of the convention, a large sum was raised toward the endowment of Meredith College, the Baptist college for women at Raleigh, which assures the final raising of the desired endowment fund of \$150,000 for this institution. The report of the board of trustees showed that the college is now in he midst of its most successful year, there being a total enrollment of 402 students, the largest in the history of the college.

Thursday was an unusually busy day with the convention. It was filled throughout the three sessions with splendid addresses and encouraging reports of the work of the various departments of the church, and earnest discussions of the problems that confront the church in the State. At night Rev. Dr. H. H. Hulten, of Charlotte, thrilled a magnificent audience with his eloquent report on Foreign Missions. Goldsboro was chosen as the place of meeting for 1912, the opening sermon to be preached by Rev. Q. C. Davis, of Windsor, with Rev. J. Clyde Turner, of Greensboro, as alternate.

GUIDE TO SHOPPERS.

Where to Buy Your Christmas Goods -Advertisers in To-Day's Gazette -Read the List Through.

O'Neil's-Headquarters for toys and all other holiday goods. The Wetzell Co.-Christmas gifts

for men. Curry Studio-Photographs for Christmas

Citizens National Bank-You can't buy a thing with the money you have spent. Standard Hardware Co.-Christ-

mas gifts for boys and men. Sore agents Majestic Ranges. Adams Drug Co.-Pure drugs Gastonia Furniture Co.-Holiday

bargains in furniture. Rankin-Armstrong Furniture Co .-Appropriate presents for all the fam-

Harry-Baber Co.-Special Removal Sale. L. J. Atkins Orchestra-Concert tonight at Dallas.

Gaston Iron Works-Have you ordered those grate bars and boiler arches yet? Efird's-Biggest bargains ever of-

First National Bank-Give the boy bank book on Christmas morning. Thomson Mercantile Co.-Big midwinter clearance sale continues.

Robinson Shoe Co.-Robinson's shoes are the best and the cheapest. J. White Ware-Wood, dry pine and oak slabs. Swan-Slater Co.-Just the gift

he" will appreciate. Reid Hardware Co., Lincolnton-The Metz "22" Roadster, the doctor's car.

H. W. Counts, Loray-Special hat sale. Padgett Brothers-Getting ready

for Christmas. Gastonia Mutual Building & Loan Association—Series No. 15 opens

W. F. Marshall, Raleigh, N. C. -The Marshall properties up for sale. Gastonia Garage Co.—E. M. F '30" and Flanders "20" automobiles; all kinds of auto supplies and accessories.

Morris Brothers-Santa Claus headquarters. Poole's Grocery - Specials for Christmas.

H. M. VanSleen-Holiday jewelry and novelties. J. M. Belk Co .- Attractive things for Christmas shoppers.

Torrence Morris Co .- Everything in jewelry, etc., for the Christmas shopper. Gazette Pub. Co .- Forty-two piece dinner set free.

-A number of Gastonia Suramas will so to Charlotte this afternoon to attend the annual meeting of Oasis Temple Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shripe tonight. About sixty candidates will be inititated into the mysteries of Shrine-

dom, among the number being Mr.

J. Lean Adams, of Gastonia.

IN SOCIETY.

BRIDGE CLUB

WITH MRS. BARKLEY.

The Bridge Club is meeting this afternoor with Mrs. Fred D. Barkley at her home on West Second av-

FRIENDLY MATRONS WITH MRS. GRAY.

At her home on West Second avenue at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mrs. J. Lander Gray entertained the Friendly Matrons and a number of invited guests most pleasantly. Trail was played at eleven tables, after which a delicious salad course was served. There were about fifty guests present, to all of whom the occasion was a most enjoyable one.

MISS LONG

ENTERTAINS. At her home on East Airline avenue Tuesday night Miss Bertha Long entertained a number of her young friends in honor of her guest. Miss Grace Rudisill, of Kings Mountain, and also in honor of Miss Marie Hardin, who is soon to leave for Salisbury to make her home Interesting games were played and a salad course was serv-The evening was one of great pleasure to all present.

HEATON-MAXWELL,

The many friends of Miss Jesste Maxwell, who graduated as a trained nurse at the City Hospital here about a year ago, will be interested in learning of her marriage, which took place in Atlanta on November 15th, when she became the bride of Dr. George Roy Heaton, of Alvaton, Ga. As Miss Maxwell, Mrs. Heaton was quite well known both here and in Charlotte, being a sister of Mrs. Harry W. Moore, of the latter place. Dr. Heaton is a prominent young physician of Alvaton. Their marriage was some what romantic, Miss Maxwell having been called to Alvaton from Atlanta to nurse one of Dr. Heaton's patients. Only about two months elapsed between their first acquaintance and their marriage.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB WITH MRS. RAGAN.

The Tuesday Afternoon Club met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. G. W. Ragan at her home on West Franklin avenue. Besides the members of the club there were present a number of invited guests. Progressive forty-two was played at ten ables. After the game delicious rereshments were served. The meeting was an especially enjoyable and delightful one to all who were pres-

RECEPTION TO

NEW PASTOR. At Main Street Methodist church last night a most pleasant and enjoyable reception was given by the officers and members of the church in honor of the new pastor, Rev. J. E. Abernethy, and his family. The Sunday school room, from which the seats had been removed, was most tatefully arranged and decorated for the occasion. In the receiving line with Mr. and Mrs. Abernethy and Miss Ollie Abernethy were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Separk and Mr. and Mrs. Mc. G. Anders. Music was rendered throughout the evening by an orchestra consisting of Messrs, Robert McLean, Erskine Boyce, Hunt Morrow, Claude Wilson and Miss Lillian Atkins. At a table in one corner delicious coffee and sandwiches were served by Mrs. O. W. Davis and Mrs. V. E. Long, assisted by a number of other ladies. During the evening a large number of the members of the church and their friends of other denominations called, and the occasion was a most pleasant and successful one. All the preparations for the reception were in the hands of a committee of ladies consisting of the

wives of the stewards, trustees and

other officers of the church, to all of

whom great credit is due for all the

things which went toward making

the reception so pleasant and delight-

BIRTHDAY DINNER

ful an orcasion.

FOR MRS. MOORE. . A most pleasant and unique dinner was given yesterday at the home of Mrs. Mattle J. Moore by Mrs. H. B. Moore and Mrs. Mary Moore Morrow in honor of Mrs. Moore's fiftyninth birthday anniversary. The occasion was a surprise to Mrs. Moore, who had not known of the plans for the occasion until the day arrived. Places were laid for twelve, the eleven guests beside the guest of honor being Mrs. J. H. Craig, Mrs. Kate Brittain, Mrs. J. R. Lewis, of Dallas, Mrs. J. R. Durham, of Dallas, Mrs. A. M. Smyre, Mrs. Elvira Jenkins, Mrs. Jennie Duff, Mrs. Mattle Pegram, Mrs. Bunch McLean, Mrs. G. R. Rawlings and Miss Lizzie Craig. The color scheme in the dining room was red and green. The chandeller was covered in holly and from this ropes of cranberries extended to each corner of the table. As a centerpiece there was a silver candelabra with five red candles. The place favore were cards bearing a strain of music with the sentiment "Should old acquaintance be forgot," and Mrs Moore's 'name with the dates 1852 and 1911. These dates were al laid in cranberries on either side of the centerpiece. The occasion was one of unusal delight both to Mrs Moore, and to the other guests who had been invited to celebrate the niversary with her.

-Mr. G. W. Falls, of Bowling Green, S. C., is in the city on

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