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LORAY LOCALS

Correspondence of The Gazette. LORAY MILLS, Dec. 23-The Loray Mills closed down Friday arternoon at half past 5 o'clock for the Christmas holidays, and will resume operations again Tuesday morning. As is the usual custom. the children of the operatives were treated to a nice bag of fruit, candy and nuts, this treat being hauled out and delivered by a person dressed to resemble Santa Claus, thus affording the youngsters quite a lot of amusement as well as delighting them with the nice presents.

The operatives presented the superintendent and overseers of the various departments with handsome and useful presents as an expression of their appreciation for the kindness that has been shown them, also their gratitude for the pleasant feelings and relations that have existed between them during the past year.

The presents were very gratefully received, with many thanks for the loyalty of the people in the past, and they were assured that everything would be made as pleasant as possible for them in the future.

Christmas trees and entertainments are being given at the various churches in the village, and although the rain has been pouring down incessantly, and the streets are very muddy on account of the recent grading that has been done, large numbers are turning out, and the entertainments are being enjoyed and appreciated by every one.

The good lights are coming to mighty handy for it would be almost impossible to get about at all after dark, and people who are liable to be looking for places at this season of the year would never find them.

Very little of that fire water, the kind that will make a rabbit eat up a bull dog alive, is being used in this end of town, and up to the present time everything is going along very pleasant and lovely.

We wish to extend to The Gazette man and his co-workers our most singere wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

CARRIERS REMEMBERED.

Patrons of Crouse Rural Mail Carriers Present Them With Approprinte Gifts.

The patrons and friends of the rural mail carriers out from Crouse remembered their faithful services during the Christmas season. The following note of thanks is self-explanatory: To the patrons of rural route No 1

and No. 2:

We your carriers take this method to thank you for those nice Christmas presents. We assure you we more than appreciate the feeling that prompted the giving of such rice things.

Carrier No. 1 on it supposed once had a new new set of harness and got through all O. K. did not fare so well. His faithful old horse broke a tug in trying to pull the heavy load at Christmas time and left the driver sitting there looking where he must get out in the mud to fix the harness. However the driver was in too good a humor to "cuss" so but little damage was done. Again thanking you all we will try to serve you in such manner as to at least merit some of the kindness.

LAFAYETTE CARPENTER, NO. 1 W. H. HOOVER, NO. 2.

Crouse Route One News.

Correspondence of The Gazette. CROUSE, R. F. D. 1, Dec. 27. Miss Audrey Kiser and Master James Kiser spent Christmas at the home of their grandfather, Mr. Julius Alexander.-Mr. Sylvanus Carpenter is wearing a broad smile-it's, a girl. Mr. C. D. Tate and family spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Tate's father, Mr. Julius Alexander. -Mr. John Kiser and family visited at the home of Mrs. Kiser's father Sunday.—Mr. J. P. Alexander and wife spent Christmas at the home or

Mig. Alexander's father, Mr. Luther Costner .- Mr. F. B. Carpenter and family are spending a few days at Kings Mountain with relatives. --Landers Chapel school closed for a week's Christmas holiday .-- Mr. Bickle Carpenter and family have moved from Mr. Frederick Carpenter's turing Co's, mills and Mr. Oscar Stirewalt has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Carpenter.-Messrs. Darius and Burton Pasour- spert Sunday with Mr. Clay Kiser .- Mrs Frances Kiser is spending a few days

-A party of surveyors is today surveying South street from Franklin avenue to the C. & N.-W. crossing at the Southern station. From authentic sources it is learned that it is the intention of the interurban people to run a car line up this street.

with her son, Mr. Clay Kiser.—Mr J. M. Alexander, of Bessemer City, is

spending a few days with homefolks.

BESSEMER BRIEFS.

Correspondence of The Gazette. BESSEMER CITY, Dec. 28 .- The Christmas time has come and gone again and it may be there are those in the world who have not yet grasped the true idea as to the meaning of the day or how the day should be spent. It would be a great blessing if we could fully appreciate that in the midst of the busy world, in its comings and goings, in the inn or its esting and sleeping, in the manger where its beasts of burden lie. among the traffic; part and parcel of its daily duties—here, with it. among it, of it, comes the Lord Christ. And unto the anxious world He brings the great evangel. Not in holy hours alone may it serve him, not at solemn altars only kneel to pray, nor without psalms and hymns chant his praise, for in the manger he is born. All hours are his, and every place, and the common speech

is the speech of the kingdom. There was a great concourse of folks at the Christmas entertainment and tree in the Baptist church Monday night. The number was thought to be about one thousand.

Revs. E. G. Carson and family, of Charlotte, and J. W. Carson, of Newberry, S. C., arrived Monday to spend the holidays with their mother, Mrs. J. B. Carson, on Crowders Creek.

Monday afternoon one Ben Hemphill, colored, was disemboweled with a knife in the hands of two white men. It was in a drunken melee at old Wooten postoffice.

Mr. Clyde Arrowood, who is working with his brother in Shelby. is spending the week with his parents here .- Mr. / Torrence, formerly of this place, but now living in Hendersonville, is with homefolks this week.

The Christmas entertainments both at the Presbyterian church and Mountain View school house were good and reflect credit on those who had the work in hand. Revs. Hobbs and Harrelson spoke to the school at Mountain View.

Messrs. W. D. Gates and J. C. Batlard, of Cherryville, were in town Tuesday on business.-Mr. John Williams has given up his position in the depot here and Mr. Lee Clemmer has the job .- Mr. Charles WIIliams, who has been in Arkansas for six weeks or more, was on a visit to his mother the first of the week, but is spending the week-end in Salisbury .- Miss May Williams, who has had a position in Salisbury for some time, is at home again.

On December 24th Mr. Moses Stroup, of the Concord section, white reading the paper thought he heard a rap at his door, but being quite feeble, Mr. Stroup did not respond immediately, and very soon a negro man, Galloway, by name, uninvited, entered the room ostensibly to get Mr. Stroup to give him two half dollars for a whole, that he might pay a debt of fifty cents to another negro on the place. Mr. Stroup arose and went to a window to more clearly see to give him the change. The nekro who had followed snatched the purse from Mr. Stroup's hand and made a hasty retreat. He was later captured at a corn shucking and the purse that at first contained fifteen or eighteen dollars was recovered to-

gether with about half the money. Mr. D. P. Rhodes, the new superintendent of the Osage Manufacturing Company, was here Thursday making preparations to start the mill on January 1st .- Mr. Bruce Arrowood, of Concord, was here for a

few hours Wednesday. Wednesday was a great day at the A. R. P. parsonage. One that the pastor and family shall not soon forget. Nearly the entire congregation came with well-filled baskets, the contents of which gave to all a sumptuous dinner with some left over. Then they made provision for the pastor's family and horse for the future. There was only one thing to mar the pleasure of the day. Mrs. T. R. E. Oates became very ill toward the close of the day and it was necessary to call a physician. Dr. Royster came and found that Mrs. Oates was suffering with an attack of indigestion.

Declares Five Per ent Dividend.

Besides transacting routine bust ness the directors of the First National Bank, at their regular monthly meeting Thursday, declared the usual semi-annual dividend of five per cent and passed \$5,000 to the surplus fund. The general condition of the bank, as shown by the offcers' reports, was found to be satis-factory. The regular annual meet-ings of the stockholders and directors of this institution will be held Tuesday, January 9th.

Gastonians at "Dollar Dinner."

Solicitor G. W. Wilson and Mayor T. L. Craig were Gastonia's repre-sentatives at the "dollar dinner" given by the Greater Charlotte Club at the Selwyn hotel last night. The arfair was a great success, judging from the morning paper's report.

-Mr. and Mrs. Archie L. Jenkins returned yesterday from Asheville, where they spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jenkins.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette. LOWELL, Dec. 28 .- Prof Ramseur closed the school here on the 22nd for the holidays and will reopen January 2nd .- Miss Nina Patrick and sister Miss Clara, are visiting juring the holidays in Atlanta. -Messrs. Grady and Harley Gaston are at home for the holidays .- Mrs. Dr. Robinson went down to Monroe Tuesday to visit her parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. T. Steele.

Work on the interurban line and depot has been at a stand-still for several days .- The cotton mills resumed work this morning after being shut down since last Friday.

We cannot begin to mention the friends and relatives on a visit among us. Their names are legion.
—Mr. P. P. Murphy took a run down to Wilmington for a family reunion Christmas day, he will return tomorrow.-Miss Frank Leonhardt is on a visit to friends in Marion. Mrs. E. N. Crowder, Kenneth, Miss Lucy and little Willis Lou are on a visit to her mother at the old home place near Forest City.-Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hand spent Monday and Tuesday in town with relatives.

Stanley Happenings.

Correspondence of The Gazette. STANLEY, Dec. 28 .- Among the festivities were the Christmas Christmas trees at the Methodist, Lutheran and Presbyterian churches. "Valley Farm," a comedy drama played by local talent in the school auditorium Wednesday evening was a very entertaining little play and was greatly enjoyed by a full house.

Mrs. Charles-Peterson and little daughter, of Laurel, Miss., arrived last week and are the guests of her parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Peterson. Mr. Peterson is expected to arrive about the last of January. and they are thinking of locating here in the near future.

Among those home for the holi-days are Mr. H. C. Whitener, of Princeton, N. J.: Miss Bayne Rutledge, Claremont College, Lenotr; Miss Edith Mason, Hamlet; Mr. Leon Smith, University, Chapel Hill; Miss Mayme Peterson and Mrs. and son, of Lenoir; Miss Ethel Hales, McAdenville; Miss Willye Summerrow, Charlotte; Mr. Robert Peterson, Charlotte, and Mr. Russell Cline, of Newberry College, Newberry, S. C .-Miss Reedy Hoggoa of Lowryville, S. C., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Loven.-Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mason and son, of Charlotte, are the guests of relatives here.-Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Aicher and children spent Christmas with relatives at Shelby .- Dr. and Mrs. C. J. McCombs and children are spending the holidays with relatives at Unionville .- Mrs. Jno. Fulenwider and children, of Monroe, are visiting her parents.-Miss Hester Summey, of Iron Station, is spending a few days with Miss Bessie Morris.—Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Smith and children, of Norfolk, Va., are visiting relatives

Dinner Sets Are Going.

Though The Gazette's offer to give a handsome 42-piece dinner set to every person turning in ten yearly subscriptions or their equivalent which means \$15 worth of subscriptions, either renewals or new ones, has been on only a short time and in the holiday season at that when most people are averse to working, we have given away several sets and a number of ladies are now busily engaged in getting up clubs of ten. The first lady to secure one of these was Miss Zuba Pursley, of Bowling Green, S. C., route one. The second was Miss Mae Carroll, of Clover, S. C., route one. The third was Miss Maggie Gamble, of Bessemer City, route two. These have already gone out and the winners express themselves as highly pleased with their dinner sets. Right at present is the best time of all the year to get subscriptions for The Gazette and any body can secure ten by doing a few hours easy work. Any young lady, man or woman who wants to get one of these should write us at once for sample copies.

-Mr. John A. Lynn and Miss Bessle Lynn were united in marriage on Wednesday, December 27th, the ceremony being performed by Esquire W. Meek Adams at his office.

-The Harry-Baber Company have moved into their new quarters next door to the First National Bank. McLean Brothers have taken their old stand while Rockett & Adams have leased the space formerly occupled by McLean Brothers.

-At 7 o'clock tomorrow night a band concert will be given in the hall in the new school house at the Clara and Dunn mills. There will probably also be several addresses and short talks, following which re-freshments will be served in the school room down stairs for the children of the neighborhood. The affair will be somewhat in the nature of a dedication of the new building which has just been completed and will be regularly used after the holf-

DR. P. R. LAW DEAD

Editor Presbyterian Standard and Well-Known Divine Dies Suddenly in McColl, S. C .- Had Gone Thither to Participate in Daughter's Marriage.

The death of Rev. Dr. P. R. Law, of Charlotte, which occurred last Saturday night in McColl, S. C., came as a dinstinct shock to his many friends in Gastonia. Dr. Law had gone to McColl to officiate at the marriage of his youngest daughter, Miss Lida Law, to Mr. Robert Chap-

Dr. Law was editor of the Presbyterian Standard, the official organ of the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina. In his travels for that paper and in other visits to Gastonia he had formed many acquaintances, all of whom are deeply grieved. Dr. Law was in failing health and although not many knew it he was a constant, though uncomplaining sufferer.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman left immediately after the marriage ceremony for Cuba, and although notified of Dr. Law's death, yet it was too late

for them to return.
In Tuesday's Charlotte Chronicle is found the following sketch of his life which is appended

The life history of this good man is one of inspiration and helpfulness. Dr. Law was possessed of those characteristics which enable men to stand against adversity until one would almost believe they had become innured to it. Holding one purpose steadily in mind, the doing of his Master's work, he never swerved to one side or the other, for no obstacle was strong enough to even momentarily draw him from the path of service.

It was in Martinsville, Va., in 1849 that Dr. Law was born, hence he was in his 62nd year when he died. He attended school at Davidson, and after completing his college course he attended Union Theological Seminary at Hamden-Sidney. shortly after, having been ordained a minister, he began work in Orange Presbytery. He served evangelist and stated supply for Haywood and other Pittsboro, churches in Chatham for some years, and then came to Charlotte, where he lemained two years, going in 1887 to Lumberton, and in 1891 to Lumber Bridge. For some years following he filled various engagements in the district about Fayetteville, and came to this city again as editor of The Presbyterian Standard in 1907, and in this work of the church perhaps his best talents and

energies were developed. The life of Dr. Law was one of extreme heroism and withal was a life filled with benevolence, for he was no ordinary worker in his Master's vineyard, but toiling early and late. he has gathered a rich harvest of good and his influence and works will live after him.

Personal Mention.

-Mr. A. J. Badger, of West Gastonia, and a Miss Reeves, of Charlotte, were married here Tuesday by Esquire W. Meek Adams in his office in the Glenn building.

-- The church social given last Tuesday night by the ladies of the Methodist church of Belmont was a success despite the inclement weather. More than \$30 was cleared. -Mr. E. W. Query, of Steel

Creek, Mecklenburg county, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Joseph H. Adams.

-Mrs. J. L. Carraway and children are expected tonight from little Rock, Ark., to spend some time with Mrs. Carraway's parents. Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Glenn.

-Miss Erroll Henderson returned last night from Red Springs where she has been in school. was accompanied by her friend, Miss Ora Glenn.

-Misses Addie and Eloise Erwin, of Morganton, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Dixon left yesterday for Charlotte where they will visit friends before returning to their home.

-Miss cucy Beyce and Miss Katherine Mason, of Gastonia, will arrive in the city today to visit Miss Cora Annette Harris at her home on North Church street.—Charlotte Observer, 28th.

-Mr. John Holland returned yesterday to Candor, Moore county, arter spending the holidays in the city with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. Q. Holland.

-Gastonia Lodge No. 53 Knights of Pythias will install officers for the ensuing term next Monday night. In connection with the installation there will be a smoker and a good social time. All Pythians are requested to be present.

-Messrs. Grady Rankin. George Gray, Fred Wetzell, George Mason and Floyd Whitney and Misses Columbia Kelley, Violet Rankin, Marie Hardin and Katherine Mason attended a dance given in Lincolnton last Monday night.

-Miss Virginia Sherrill, who has been spending the holidays with homefolks in Catawba county, will return tomorrow and will be with Thomson Mercantile Company as bookkeeper after the first of the year.

-The recent heavy rains washed a deep ravine across East Franklin avenue between Willow and Avon streets where a high fill had recently been constructed by the grading force of Mesers. Stewart & Jones for the Piedmont & Northern Railway impassable for a week or more.

-After Sunday write it 1912. -Boost Gastonia every day during the coming year. -Miss Annie L. Fry is visiting

friends this week in Goldsboro. -Mr. J. E. Ford, of Belmont, is among today's visitors in town. -Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ragan were

visitors to Charlotte yesterday. -Mr. P. J. Lineberger and Mr. W. H. Moten returned yesterday from a visit to Charlotte.

-Mrs. W. J. Sechrest, of Dallas, was in Gastonia shopping Wednes--Monday the county commission-

ers will meet in regular session for January. -Miss Madeline Jeffrey, of Greens boro, is spending the holidays with

Miss Grace Strickland. -Mr. John A. Gardner, a contractor and builder, of Charlotte, was a visitor in town Wednesday.

-Miss Honoree Banks is spending a few days with friends in Wilmins-

-Solicitor George W. Wilson was among the Charlotte visitors yesterday. -Mr. R. R. Ray, of McAdenville,

was a business visitor in Gastonia -Dr. Jim Campbell, of Clover, was among the out-of-town visitors

in Gastonia yesterday. -Mr. Robert W. Adams left yesterday for Atlanta to resume his work with the Westinghouse Co.

-Rev. F. Melchior, O. S. B., of Belmont, was a visitor in Gastonia yesterday. -Mrs. Ed Mellon and children, of

Charlotte, spent yesterday in Gastonia with Mrs. John H. Craig. -Miss Nell Blanton, of Marion, arrives today or tomorrow as the

guest of Miss Clara Armstrong. -Miss Sarah Adams, of Statesville, is expected today to visit Miss Maud Rankin on South Broad street. -Mr. R. Kenneth Babington left this morning on a business trip to

Rutherfordton. -Miss Edith McLean returned yesterday to Chester after spending the holidays with her parents here. -Mr. S. B. Hovis, of Bessemer City, a student at Trinity College

was a visitor in town vester -Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Holland and children are visiting friends in Gas-

tonia.—Charlotte Chronicle. -Mr. E. P. Lewis was a business visitor to Lowrysville and McConnellsville, S. C., the first of the week. -Mr. J. Roy Barron, of Rock Hill, S. C., was a visitor in town

Wednesday. -Messrs. Clyde McLean and Ralph Armstrong spent yesterday in Long Shoals on a hunting trip.

-Miss Marie Goforth, of Blacksburg, S. C., is the guest for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Baber. -Mrs. Norma Alexander Stowe

returned to her home in Belmont last night after spending the holidays with relatives in Davidson. -Mrs. H. F. Glenn left yesterday

morning for Sharon, S. C., where she will visit at the home of Rev. W. B. Arrowood.

-Revs. H. G. and E. K. Hardin, of Clover and Rock Hill, S. C., respectively are the guests of their brother, Mr. L. L. Hardin.

-Attention is called to a notice elsewhere in this paper from Postmaster Pasour with reference to payment of postoffice box rents.

-Mr. R. Baxter Riddle, of Bowling Green, principal of the Yorkville graded schools, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

-Mrs. J. Lean Adams, Mrs. Ross Clinton and Miss Annie Niell spent yesterday in Clover, the guests of relatives.

-Misses Carrie, Elma and Zoe Hoffman, of route two, are spending the week in Gastonia with their sister, Mrs. J. H. Carson.

-Mrs. D. F. Haizlip, of Henry county, Va., arrived in Gastonia Wednesday night on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Kirby.

-Miss Anna Lewis, of Yorkville, is the guest for a few days during the holiday season of her friend, Miss Eleanor Reid.

-Mayor T. L. Craig returned this morning from Charlotte where he attended the "dollar dinner" given at the Selwyn hotel last night. -Mr. C. D. Spencer is expected to-

day from Asheboro to visit Mr. John O. Rankin, Jr. The two are roommates at the A. and M. College.

-Misses Torrence and Mamte Stowe, of Belmont, returned yesterday to their home after spending a few days with Mrs. W. H. Rhyne.

-Gastonia business men could do nothing better than to resolve to advertise in The Gazette in 1912. It means more business for you.

-In another column it is stated that the U. N. C. banquet will be given at the Falls House. Since that item was written the plans have been changed and the affair will be held at the Franklin Hotel. Mr. John G. Co. This street has been well nigh Carpenter is toastmaster. Covers for thirty persons have been laid.

FINAL TRANSFER MADE

More Information Concerning the Mammoth Gastonia Real Estate Deal Consummated by Piedmont Traction Company-All Deeds Delivered and Payments Made.

The Gazette has been unable heretofore to give full and accurate de tails concerning the big block of real estate purchased by the Pledmont Traction Company on Franklin avenue and Broad street from Dr. C. E. Adams and others. The transaction was one of the largest ever consummated in Gastonia and has been the sole topic of conversation in real estate circles. It is still a matter of conjecture, however, as to how the Piedmont & Northern people are to use their property, or more strictly speaking at what spot on the property the depot and sheds are to be erected.

All deeds have now been delivered and payments made. The realty bought consists, as previously stated, of a number of houses and lots belonging to several parties, but all in a body. Beginning at the corner of Franklin avenue and Broad street, the property extends along Franklin avenue, going east, something over 1300 feet; from Franklin avenue and Broad street, going in a northerly direction along Broad street about 530 feet, thence along Main avenue, going east about 800 feet. Included in the boundaries named are the Acams properties, embracing the home place of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Adams, together with a number of rental houses, the Kennedy and Price dwellings, the small cottage built on what is better known to older citizens as the Beal's shop lot, other rental houses and additional vacant lots or

Other owners conveying were E W. Gilliam on Broad street; J. Parlier on Main avenue; on Franklin avenue, C. B. Newton, J. E. Stubbs, Mrs. M. E. Phillips, Mrs. C. E. Caldwell and J. Laban Smith. All of the above-named property was sold in a body, for the owners, the deal being transacted by Mr. George E. Haithcock, real estate agent. The purchase price was in the neighborhood of some sixty-odd thousand

It appears from the fill which is being made on Franklin avenue not ar from Avon street that it may be the plan of the railway company to lay a track through the property to the corner of Main and Broad streets. The cottage at this point is being torn down and removed. At what point the depot or depots are to be erected is still unknown.

Work on the Southern Railway crossing is progressing slowly.

IN SOCIETY.

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

On Christmas Day Mrs. A. S. Anderson entertained with a most enjoyable six-course dinner at her home in West Gastonia. The guests were Misses Bertle Arritt, Emma Sullender and Emma McIlhany and Mr. Alden S. Anderson.

MRS, J. LEAN ADAMS ENTERTAINS.

One of the most delightful affairs of the Christmas social season was the reception given Wednesday atternoon by Mrs. J. Lean Adams honor of Mrs. Ross Clinton and Miss Annie Niell. Potted plants and Christmas decorations were used extensively and to beautiful effect. number of ladies assisted in hall,

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dining-room and parlors.

MISS PURSLEY.

The U. C. Club held a delightful meeting yesterday at 3 o'clock with Miss Ida Pursley at her home on Franklin avenue. An interesting program consisting of literary and musical selections was enjoyed by the members. Those having places on the program were Misses Lowry Shuford, Lottie Blake, Mamie Cabaniss, Mrs. W. L. Balthis and Mrs. L. L. Hardin. Christmas decorations were used; the floral decorations were of narcissus and hyacinth. A delicious salad course was served.

ENTERTAINS

MUSIC PUPILS. Last Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 5 Miss Lillian Atkins entertained her music pupils at her home on West Franklin avenue. The time was very delightfully spent by musical selections and contests. In the contest the prize was won by Mr. Kirkpat-rick Reid. A salad course was served at the conclusion of the contest. During the afternoon several delightful selections were rendered by the orchestra. About twenty-five persons, all pupils of Miss Atkins were present.

MISSES ARMSTRONG AND RANKIN TO ENTERTAIN. The following cards were

Miss Clara Armstrong Miss Maud Rankin At Home 206 S. Broad Street Saturday evening, December thirtieth eight-thirty

Miss Adams Miss Blanton

Misses Adams and Blanton are from Statesville and are class-mates of Misses Rankin and Armstrong at Peace Institute, Raleigh.

-Mr. P. J. Lineberger was a business visitor to Charlotte Wednesday.