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SPECIAL SERVICES

GOOD MEETING AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Series of Special Services Which Began at First Presbyterian Church Sunday Proving of Great Interest and Success—Dr. Thacker Preaches Strong and Forceful Sermons—Singing an Unusually Attractive Feature of the Services—Short Service at Ten O'Clock Each Morning Well Attended.

The special services at the First Presbyterian Church began Sunday, Nov. 23, with large congregations present at both the morning and the evening service. At night the main auditorium was packed and the Sunday school room nearly filled, although there were the usual services in the other churches of the city. Many people from the country and near-by towns had taken advantage of the good roads and beautiful weather to attend the meeting. Dr. Thacker preached two strong sermons. In the morning his text was Col. 1:18, the subject being, "The Pre-eminent Christ." At night the subject was "The Church's Disease and Its Remedy," being based on Jer. 8:22, "Is there no balm in Gilead?" "Is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?"

Both of these discourses were of a high order, and held the closest attention of the large audiences to the last word. Dr. Thacker is a very attractive speaker. He has a fine voice, clear and distinct enunciation and a pleasing delivery, his style and manner of speaking being free and easy, and yet very earnest and direct. He uses no notes and talks directly to the people. His thought is clear and his language so simple that even the children have no difficulty in following him. He is free from mannerisms, and there is no straining after effect. He has the manner of a strong, earnest, big-hearted man delivering God's message to men and women. And this is a very finished and effective form of eloquence.

Monday morning at 10 o'clock there was a good congregation to hear a forcible and stirring discourse on "The Conditions of Assured Success." The attendance at the busiest hour of a busy week-day was most encouraging. Not only were the house-keepers there but a large number of the leading business and professional men of the town. This would indicate that by the end of the week the morning congregation will fill the church auditorium. So much interest at the very beginning of the meeting promises great things for the success and usefulness of these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Fischer are making a deep impression by the efficient manner in which the music is being directed. Mrs. Fischer is an accomplished pianist, while already Mr. Fischer is getting the chorus choir in shape and making the song service a most attractive feature of the services. He has no superior in such work. As others join the chorus and the singers are better organized and become familiar with the hymns that are being used, it will be a delight to listen to this chorus choir. All the singers of the town are requested to join the choir. They are asked to take their seats on the platforms reserved for the singers without special personal invitation.

There are two services each day, at 10 o'clock in the morning and 7:30 at night. The services will begin promptly. The morning service will last from thirty to forty-five minutes.

The service Monday morning lasted just thirty-five minutes. Every business man and busy house-keeper may be assured that the meeting will be brief in the morning. And these morning services are proving particularly strong and helpful, especially to Christians.

Monday night the church was again filled. The congregation was surprisingly good for Monday night which is proverbially unfavorable for a large attendance. Dr. Thacker preached another eloquent sermon, the text being Eph. 5:14: "Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." The sermon was followed by a very impressive solo by Mr. Fischer, whose singing at every service adds much to the meetings. He has a tenor voice of exceptional range and quality. It is rather wonderful the way Mr. Fischer controls the singing, and how much music he gets out of the chorus and the congregation already. The singing is proving a most attractive feature. The song service continues at every evening service for thirty minutes or more, and grows in interest.

The subject of the address Tuesday morning was, "God Mindful of Us." The theme for to-night will be, "A Revival of Sin."

Every body is most cordially invited to come. There is a hearty welcome for all. The co-operation of everyone is most earnestly sought.

Editor Hurley in a Bad Plight. Salisbury Post.

Eggs are mighty high and whiskey scarce and we do not see how we are to make it.

Each minute of each day sees \$500 in value rising in flame and smoke, with an ashpile as its legacy.

W. N. C. CONFERENCE

MEETS IN CHARLOTTE TO-MORROW

Annual Gathering of Pastors and Laymen of M. E. Church, South, of Western North Carolina Conference to Be Held in Trinity Church, Charlotte, Beginning To-Morrow Morning—Bishop James H. McCoy to Preside.

The twenty-fourth annual session of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will convene in Trinity Methodist Church, Charlotte, at nine o'clock tomorrow morning with Bishop James McCoy, of Birmingham, Ala., presiding. Conference will be in session until next Monday, sessions being held every day from 9 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. The afternoons will be devoted to committee meetings and session of the cabinet, while the anniversary exercises of the various boards will be held at night.

Wednesday night will be given over to the Sunday school and Epworth League Boards, Thursday night to the Children's Home. Friday night to the Board of Education and Saturday night to the Board of Missions. Bishop McCoy will preach a Thanksgiving sermon Thursday morning at 11 o'clock and will also preach Sunday morning. It is probable that all the pulpits of Charlotte will be occupied next Sunday by visiting ministers of the conference.

Attending the conference from Gastonia will be Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, Rev. Neill C. Williams, pastor of West End and Ozark churches, and the lay delegates from each of these churches. In addition to the clerical and lay delegates a large number of Gastonia Methodists will attend some of the sessions. The conference is nearer to Gastonia than it has been in a number of years and the interurban makes it quite convenient for Gastonians to go over for one session and return within a few hours.

Among the lay delegates from Gastonia will be Mr. J. H. Separk and Hon. George W. Wilson, of Main Street Methodist church. Rev. W. L. C. Killian goes as a member of the Board of Missions. All of Gastonia's Methodist churches will go up to conference with good reports. Rev. J. E. Abernethy, who has been pastor at Main Street for two years, is deservedly popular with his people and official request has been made that he be returned to this work for next year. It was announced last Sunday that the reports would show that 64 persons had been received into the church during the year, making the total membership 510. All the obligations of the church to the various conference collections have been paid in full as usual.

The only charge in the county which will be effected by the four-year time limit is the Belmont and Mt. Holly charge, of which Rev. J. A. Bowles has been pastor for four years. A new pastor will therefore be sent to this work.

The Hog.

By Walt Mason.

Of all domestic brutes the hog for swinishness is worst; in all the bestial catalogue he's easily the first. For others he has no regard, has no concern at all; the weaker pigs he pushes hard, and sends them to the wall. He gets his legs inside the trough and sips the sparkling stop, and t'other hogs must root him off if they would get a drop. And when he's riding in a car, two seats he'll occupy, and smoke a black and rank cigar, while women grasp and cry. In mudholes he's inclined to goze, when there's no grub about; a ring is fastened through his nose, so he can't tunnel out. And when he drives abroad by day, in auto car or sich, all folks, to give him right of way, must drive into the ditch. Oh, whether he is in a pen, with garbage heaps to chew, or in the busy haunts of men, the hog's a hog all through. You see him fighting for the slop amid the barnyard gloom; you see him in the barber shop, in public reading room; you find him in the synagogue and in the tavern fine; the hog is evermore a hog, when he is not a swine.

Weighted by a Name.

Troy, N. Y., Record.

Mrs. Emancipation Proclamation Bussby died at Springfield, O., yesterday. She was born on the day and almost on the minute that President Lincoln signed the proclamation which freed the slaves of this country. As yet we have not heard from the baby whose name may have been Jones and who may have been named "Bull Run" in commemoration of an important occurrence in our history. We presume that Mrs. Bussby, while feeling honored by the thought that she made her first bow to the world on the day of a great historic occurrence, was willing to go through life as plain "Ema."

Fire is a useful servant, but dangerous master, and when in command ruins all its subjects. It is easier to prevent fires than to extinguish them.

Mrs. J. M. Wilson and daughter, Miss Ophelia, of Woodleaf, will arrive at McAdenville tomorrow to spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Mabry.

MR. J. WILL MOORE DEAD

THE END CAME SUDDENLY LAST NIGHT

Well-Known Citizen of Spencer Mountain Expires Suddenly at Home—Had Been Suffering from Neuralgia for Several Days But Was at Work Yesterday—Funeral and Burial Here To-Morrow Afternoon—With Spencer Minister Forty Years.

Mr. J. William Moore, for nearly forty years outside boss at the Spencer Mountain Mills and one of the best-known citizens of that section of the county, died suddenly at his home in Spencer Mountain last night at 8:15 o'clock. There was no premonition of the approaching end. Mr. W. T. Love, president and treasurer of the mill, was in the room with Mr. Moore and the latter was preparing to retire when he dropped off quietly and without a pain or a struggle into the arms of death. Since Wednesday he had been suffering some with neuralgia and Thursday night Dr. R. M. Reid, of Gastonia, was called to attend him. Yesterday, however, he was apparently improved and was outside and looking after his work as late as five o'clock in the afternoon.

Deceased was a native of Mecklenburg county, being a son of the late Robert Moore, and moved to Gaston county when he was a young man. He was about 55 years of age and forty years of that time he had spent at Spencer Mountain, having been connected with the Spencer Mountain Mill since it was started. A few years ago he married Mrs. Thomas, of Waynesville, who survives. One child born to them died about a year ago. His nearest of kin are two cousins in Charlotte, Mr. C. C. Moore and Dr. Walter Moore.

The funeral will be held from the First Presbyterian church in Gastonia tomorrow afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. J. H. Hendelitte, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Minor J. Peters, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church. Interment will be in Hollywood cemetery here. Among those who will be here from out of town for the funeral will be Mrs. Moore's brother, Mr. Fred Thomas, of Asheville; her sister, Miss Agnes Thomas, of the State Normal College, Greensboro; Mr. C. C. Moore, of Charlotte; and Mr. Wade Cloyd, of Lenoir.

Deceased had a large number of friends in Gastonia and over the county. He was quiet and unassuming and thoroughly devoted to his duties as is evidenced by the fact that he had remained with one company throughout all the changes of management, from boyhood until his death. He was a man of many excellent traits of character which endeared him to all those with whom he came in contact.

Toys This Year Will Cost \$20,000,000.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Toys to the extent of more than \$20,000,000 will have been provided for American children by their parents before the present year wanes, according to the experts of the federal bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. This estimates a new record, the statisticians announced.

A marked feature of the situation is that the United States is guarding with increasing jealousy its own production of toys and is sending fewer abroad for the children of other countries. The production of home factories is kept for home youngsters.

The importation of playthings before the new year is ushered in will aggregate \$3,000,000, the experts figure. Added to this the home production will be fully \$11,000,000. With this flood of joy making paraphernalia it is thought certain by the federal experts the hearts of juvenile Americans will be made glad when Santa Claus comes around, if they are not overflowing with happiness before.

Dolls furnish one-fourth of all the toys coming from abroad. Germany is by far the greatest purveyor of playthings, and its flaxen-haired dolls virtually are the only travelers of the kind that are admitted through the custom houses to the arms of American children.

In the furnishing of toys England comes next, with Japan, France, Austria-Hungary and Belgium following in importance. The United States exportations have fallen off steadily in recent years.

North Carolina Lawyers in New York

Raleigh News and Observer.

New York could hardly get along without the North Carolina legal talent which it has drafted. We mentioned yesterday the fact that George Gordon Battle was going to try to persuade Tammany Hall of the wisdom of higher aims than have hitherto characterized it. Now it is to be added that James W. Osborne, formerly of Charlotte, has been requisitioned by Governor Glynn to take charge of the graft investigation on the part of the State government.

Still Talking.

Boston Transcript.

Briggs—"What did your wife say about your staying out so late the other night?"

Griggs—"Don't ask me yet. When she gets through with the subject, I'll condense it for you."

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

Personal Items About Gaston Folks and Their Friends—Short Items About People and Things That Are of Interest to Gazette Readers.

—Read Efrid's advertisement on page three today.

—Thomson Mercantile Company has a full page of bargains listed in today's Gazette. See page six.

—Mr. H. A. Rankin, of Jackson Springs, was here on business several days last week.

—Rev. D. E. Vipperman, pastor of the Mt. Holly Baptist church, was in the city on business Saturday.

—Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Miller, of Lowell, were in the city shopping yesterday afternoon.

—Mr. O. B. Carpenter, of Stanley, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

—Rev. A. T. Lindsay, president of Linwood College, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

—A new shingle roof is being put on Bethel Presbyterian church in the Bethel neighborhood, York county.

—Miss Nellie Graves, of Carthage, is expected to arrive this afternoon to visit Miss Clara Armstrong.

—Mrs. J. D. Howe, of route four, returned last Saturday from a two weeks visit to her daughter, Mrs. G. C. Hill, at Thomasville.

—A charter was granted last Friday by the Secretary of State to the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce which was recently organized.

—Dr. J. C. Galloway returned yesterday from Due West, S. C., where he preached on Sabbath at the A. R. P. church.

—Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Lumpkin and children, of Charlotte, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Lumpkin's father, Capt. C. M. Nolen.

—Miss Alice McClintock, of Ora, S. C., and Miss Rachel Ross, of Charlotte, are visiting Miss Ethel Pierce.

—Mr. Haskell Flanagan, of Bowling Green, has accepted a position as salesman with Mr. H. M. Van Sleen, the jeweler.

—Misses Etta Skipper and Jessie Buchannan, of Charlotte, will arrive Friday to be the week-end guests of Mrs. E. O. Jennings.

—Mrs. J. K. Jackson returned Friday from a ten-days visit to relatives in Anson county. She was accompanied by her little son, Jack.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Stanton and Mrs. T. N. Dulin, of the Bethel section, were among yesterday's visitors in Gastonia.

—Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Hood and child, of Iva, S. C., are the guests of Mrs. Hood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Whitesides.

—We are requested to announce that the public library will be closed all day Thursday, Thanksgiving Day.

—Mr. W. T. Ford, of Lowell, route one, was a business visitor in the city yesterday. Mr. Ford is advertising his mercantile business for sale. He intends to devote his entire time in the future to farming.

—There will be preaching and communion services at Chapel Lutheran church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. B. L. Stroup, of Newton.

—Mrs. S. E. Mauney and two children, Isabelle and George, arrived last Friday from Alamo, Ga., to visit friends and relatives. They go tomorrow to Lincolnton and will leave for home next Tuesday.

—The J. Flem Johnson Company moved Saturday from the building which they have been occupying on West Main avenue to their new warehouse and offices on East Main avenue adjoining the P. & N. freight station.

—Rev. J. L. Oates, of Yorkville, S. C., and Rev. G. L. Kerr, of Kings Mountain, were in the city yesterday. Together with Mr. S. N. Boyce, of this city, these gentlemen constitute a committee on the location of the new church to be erected by the congregation of the Second A. R. P. church in the near future.

—The item in last Friday's Gazette in regard to the presentation of "The Last Days of Pompeii" at the Ideal Theater on Thanksgiving day contained an error as to the price of admission. The price will be 20 cents for adults and 10 cents for children, as was stated in the display advertisement, and not 5 and 10 cents, as was erroneously stated in the local item. This production was shown in Charlotte Saturday at 25 cents, and in New York commanded prices as high as \$1.00.

—Mr. E. N. Hahn has purchased from Mr. John W. Walters the latter's residence property on South York street. Mr. Walters will build at once on South Oakland street near the Central school. As soon as Mr. Walters completes his new residence he will occupy it and Mr. Hahn will move into his newly purchased home.

—At the recent session of the Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference of the M. E. Church, held at Walkertown, near Winston-Salem, Rev. W. T. Clark, who has been pastor of the Gastonia circuit for the past year was transferred to Marshallburg, in the Eastern part of the State. The new pastor of the Gastonia circuit is Rev. S. B. Stevens, formerly pastor at Marion.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

MRS. WARREN'S BROTHER TO MARRY.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Mr. Wiley M. B. Bryan, of Rich Square, a brother of Mrs. W. Y. Warren, of this city, and Miss Julia Bolton. The ceremony is to take place tomorrow at Jackson. The groom-elect is a prominent young farmer of Northampton county.

RANKIN-SLOAN WEDDING THIS AFTERNOON.

A wedding in which Gastonia is largely interested will take place in the Belmont Methodist church today at 5:30 o'clock when Mr. J. W. Rankin, of this city, will lead to the hymeneal altar Miss Clara E. Sloan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sloan, of Belmont. The beautiful ring ceremony of the Methodist church will be used and Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Main Street Methodist Church, Gastonia, will officiate. The church has been most attractively decorated for the occasion. The groom will be accompanied by Mr. Ed C. Adams, of Gastonia, as best man. The ushers will be Messrs. A. A. Armstrong, H. A. Query, J. R. Ratchford and Pink Lineberger and the groomsmen will be Mr. Charles H. Sloan, of Birmingham, Ala., and Mr. A. J. Sanders, of Belmont. Miss Cora Hart, of Gastonia, will be maid of honor and Misses Katie and Ida Rankin bridesmaids. Miss Lena Green will preside at the organ. Mr. and Mrs. Rankin will leave immediately after the ceremony in an auto for Charlotte and will go from there to Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Fla., for a week. On their return to Gastonia they will be at home with Mr. and Mrs. John O. Rankin on South Broad Street.

MURPHY-ROBINSON ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Handsomely engraved invitations reading as follows have been issued: Mr. and Mrs. Sloan McLean Robinson

request the pleasure of your company

at the wedding reception of their daughter Virginia

and Mr. Paul P. Murphy

Thursday evening, December the fourth

from nine until ten o'clock

At Home

Lowell, North Carolina

Ceremony at half after eight o'clock

The bride to be is a charming young lady of many excellent qualities. She is popular not only in her home town but in Gastonia, Charlotte and elsewhere. She numbers her friends by the circle of her acquaintance. The groom-elect is superintendent of the Peerless Mill at Lowell, a position he has held for the past six years. He came to Lowell from Wilmington. He is a successful young mill man and has a host of friends throughout this section of the State.

Personals and Locals.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Carpenter, of Richburg, S. C., arrived Saturday to spend the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Carpenter, in East Gastonia. They spent last week at Mount Holly with Mrs. Carpenter's father, Mr. J. F. Notes.

—The Philaetha class of Main Street Methodist church cleared \$25.58 on the oyster supper which they gave Friday night. The occasion was not only a profitable one for the class but a delightful one to all who attended.

—A bazaar will be given by the Y. W. C. A. of Linwood College in the parlors of the new dormitory on Saturday, December 6th, from 4 to 10 o'clock. Fancy work, fruits, candies and oysters will be on sale. The public is cordially invited to attend.

—A box supper will be given at the New Hope school house tomorrow night beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the schools. Misses Wilson and Falls are the efficient teachers of this school.

—Mr. W. E. Johnston, of Belmont, cotton statistics reporter for the Bureau of Census, United States Department of Agriculture, has received from Director Wm. J. Harris confirmation of his report of number of bales ginned in Gaston county up to November 14th. The report shows 9,280 bales ginned this year prior to November 14 as compared with 7,378 bales ginned last year prior to November 14, 1912.

Benzine and Smoking.

The Carolina Field Club has called the attention of its members to the danger connected with numerous clothes cleaning establishments. It states that all through the State there are clothes cleaning and pressing shops where benzine and gasoline are used in cleaning clothes, employees at the same time smoking cigarettes. Smoking should be prohibited in such places.

Executors and administrators of estates who want the largest number of people to see their advertisements should place them in The Gazette.

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NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Newspapers from Gazette Correspondents Here and There Over Good Old Gaston—What Our Neighbors Are Doing in the Various Sections of the County—Personal Mention of People You Know and Some You Don't Know.

BESSEMER, ROUE 1.

Correspondence of The Gazette. BESSEMER CITY, Nov. 20.—Miss Essie Biggerstaff is very sick with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Payseur were shoppers in Gastonia Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Beam and little daughter, Inez, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. P. S. Beam.

Miss Vennie Ford is attending school in Cherryville this winter. Mr. John Schrum and sister, Miss Mittie, of Lincolnton, were guests Saturday and Sunday of Misses Annie and Helen Payseur.

Quite a number of our young people attended a surprise party at the home of Miss Joanna Stroup Saturday night.

Miss Helen Payseur is spending a few days this week in Cherryville, the guest of Miss Florence Carpenter.

Miss Mittie Schrum and brother, John, of Lincolnton, spent Sunday with Misses Maud and Annie Rudisill.

Miss Blanche Beam spent Sunday with Misses Della and Lucy Clark. Misses Jane and Hulda Stroup spent Saturday and Sunday with their cousin, Miss Joanna Stroup.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dellinger, of Cherryville, visited in this section Sunday.

Misses Ola and Amanda Reynolds, of Cherryville, were the guests Saturday and Sunday of Miss Joanna Stroup.

Mr. M. F. Payseur was in Cherryville on business Wednesday. Mrs. Mary Mauney spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Cletus Sellars.

Thrift.

Leslie's Weekly.

Our fathers knew the meaning of thrift but its example has been forgotten. It is no longer the age of thrift. We find him everywhere. It is easy to make money, but hard to save it and the spender is always in the majority.

The thrifty are mocked and laughed at, and reviled. Extravagance is having its golden day. It shines with the blaze of glory. It dazzles the eye and quickens the pulse. But there is a day of reckoning, unheeded and unthought of.

And now we are to fall back to the example of the simple life. We are to be reminded of the advantage of thrift. It is high time. Visionary theorists are wasting effort on ideals too lofty to be reached. Reformers are urging the impossible and impracticable and demagogues are leading the crowds along the highway of unreason, unrest and unbelief.

It is a pleasure to turn from all these to welcome a nation-wide movement for a revival of American thrift. It originates with a banker whose own career illustrates the lesson he would teach. It was born in the great Western metropolis, Chicago, and it is already becoming a national movement. It is beginning to be preached in the pulpits. It should be taught in the schools and advocated from the rostrum.

Thrift does not mean a pinchy miserliness or the hardship of great self-denial. It means a lessening of extravagance; the cutting off of useless expenditures; the cultivation of the saving habit and preparation, in time of prosperity, for the inevitable hour of need.



Reproduction of this year's Red Cross Christmas seal. Ten thousand of these have been allotted to Gastonia and are now on sale by the sanitary committee of the Woman's Betterment Association at Torrence-Morris Company's. Every cent derived from the sale of these little seals goes to help the fight against tuberculosis, the "great white plague," which exacts every year a greater toll in human lives than any other one disease. A portion of this money remains here to aid in the local fight against this disease. You can help in this great work by buying these little stamps at one cent each and using them on your Christmas packages.

Business men can reach the buying public in Gaston better through the columns of The Gazette than in any other way. Advertising rates are reasonable. It will pay you to investigate.