

GASTON IN THE EIGHTIES

Interesting Events in the County Thirty-Odd Years Ago as Recorded in the Gazette—To Which is Added State and General News Notes and Some General Reading Matter That Proved of Interest a Third of a Century Ago.

338TH INSTALLMENT.

Local News.

(From The Gazette of Aug. 30, 1888.)
 Rev. J. J. Kennedy, wife and son, who have been absent seven weeks at the springs and mountains, returned home this week. It is also proper to say that Mr. Kennedy did not suffer his churches to be without preaching during that time, except one Sabbath each.
 Mr. F. P. Long has bought the lot of Mr. C. M. Nolen, in the rear of the Presbyterian church, and is building a handsome house.
 Prof. Reid has arrived. We will not say he is "on the ground," as we said once before. He remarked that that expression was capable of more than one meaning.
 Miss Kate McLean is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Violet Hoke, at Lincolnton.
 Twenty persons were baptized near Dallas last Sabbath.
 Cotton is selling at 9 1/4 cents.

Married.

(From The Gazette of Aug. 30, 1888.)
 Mr. S. N. Boyce and Miss Stella Holland were married in the Presbyterian church yesterday, by Rev. Wm. E. McElwain. Rev. W. E. McElwain, of Virginia, led in prayer.
 The church was beautifully decorated and a large crowd witnessed the ceremony.
 Mr. and Mrs. Boyce left for Louisville, Ky., a few minutes after the ceremony, to visit Rev. J. Boyce, Jr. They will see the Cincinnati Exposition before they return.

In York county, S. C., by Rev. G. S. Robinson, August 23rd, Dr. H. Q. Alexander, of Mecklenburg county, N. C., to Miss Annie Lee, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Campbell, of Bethel township, S. C.

At Blacks, S. C., August 25, 1888, by Rev. J. A. White, Mr. Worth Falls and Mrs. Kate Watts, both of Kings Mountain.

A Murder in Lancaster.

(From The Gazette of Sept. 6, 1888.)
 Lancaster, S. C., Aug. 30.—Yesterday afternoon at about 6 o'clock W. C. Outen, section master on the Three C's road, struck and killed with a spiking hammer Henry Dye, colored, an employee on the road. The homicide was a brutal and cruel murder, and the good people of Lancaster are much incensed over the outrage. The circumstances of the killing are about as follows: Dye, who was carting dirt on Major Viam's farm, got the wheel of his narrow fastened between the iron rail and a plank at the crossing. Outen told the negro to get that thing out of there. Dye made some reply when Outen said: "Do you mean to give me any slack?" and struck him with the result above mentioned. Outen made his escape and has not yet been arrested.

Obituary.

(From The Gazette of Sept. 6, 1888.)
 In this county near Mount Holly, August 29, 1888, there passed from earth the ransomed spirit of Mrs. Lucy Stowe, beloved wife of E. B. Stowe, Esq., in the 39th year of her age. Mrs. Stowe was a daughter of Mr. Larkin Brandon, deceased, of Bethel, S. C.; was married to Mr. Stowe September 29, 1855, and united with New Hope Presbyterian church by certificate from Bethel about one year ago. She had been in delicate health for several months previous to her death, and had "set her house in order" to meet the coming of her Lord. Mrs. Stowe was greatly beloved, not only by her own kindred, but by her husband's kindred, and by all her neighbors. She leaves behind in her sorrowing household a sweet little two-year-old daughter, who cannot know her loss, a devoted husband, who knows his loss only too well, and her two stepsons, Charles and Robert, who loved her scarcely less than their own dear mother, long gone to her rest. Her funeral services were held at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. J. W. Bond.

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ices were conducted at New Hope church on last Thursday, after which her remains were laid at rest, surrounded by her husband's kindred.

And what more shall we say? Farewell, dear sister, until we meet thee in that world, where no farewell is ever spoken, where there shall be no more curse, and no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the Lamb shall be our light and our fire, and God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes.

"What I do, thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." John 14: 7.
 Pastor.

Dallas Letter.

(From The Gazette of Sept. 6, 1888.)
 The two young devotees of Themis, Oscar Mason and Claude Holland, have returned from Oak Park law school at Boone, where we suspect they posed as heart "smashers" during their soul-strengthening period. They are aspirants to the Beauty and Cavalry Club of our city.

Mr. W. T. Henderson, of J. R. Lewis & Co. has returned from Baltimore and other cities, where he went to buy a stock of all the goods and notions.

Mrs. R. W. Sanlifer and children, with Olyvia Moody, have returned from a most enjoyable visit to Dr. Sanlifer's farm, Wood on the Catawba.

Miss Emma Rhyme, of Mount Holly, paid a short visit to friends here last week. Mrs. Paul Lentz, of the same place, has been with her father for the past week.

Mrs. C. H. Robinson, nee Miss Georgia Morris, is visiting her father, Col. W. G. Morris.

Miss Mary Moore, of Gastonia, delighted her old friends here by a brief visit last week.

Gastonia in 1888.

(From The Gazette of Sept. 6, 1888.)
 Mr. Editor: Without a doubt Gastonia is now, in many respects, the best town in the county, and is said to be by far the most thrifty, enterprising and aggressive town between Charlotte and Atlanta. The reason is plain. Our town is the best, most suitably and most fortunately situated of any of the towns mentioned. And then we have a live, energetic people. They simply mean business. "Business before pleasure," is their motto, and they find that it works well. Our merchants understand buying goods to suit the tastes of the most fastidious; and they sell them to suit the purses of all their customers. "Quick sales and small profits," seems to be the watchword. We can get a good bargain in any of the stores. The Racket has opened with a big boom. Miss Davis is the general clerk; and, as such, she is having fine success. It might be well for some of our other merchants to introduce that idea in their business. There is something in women that makes them attractive. They always draw a crowd.

Two large, handsome and well arranged brick stores and one cotton mill are just about completed and will be in operation in a few days.

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The wash, dye and blind factories, owned by J. D. Brumfield & Company turning out a great deal of first class work and the hosiery factory, which manufactures high grade hosiery.

Preparations are now being made for a large business, which will be a paying success. We expect a new work man from New Jersey in a few days, who will control that department. The demand for building materials is very great. Our people use 25 to 30,000 feet of lumber.

We have always in this town a business man, owned and managed by Mr. J. W. Bond. There is no doubt many of us work rather. He always gives you a good, honest job. The two large and newly patronized dress stores buy all their business from him.

There are various other industries here too numerous to mention, among which is the watchmaking and jewelry business owned by Dr. E. F. Golen and managed by the clever and proficient young gentleman, Mr. R. C. A. Bernau.

But, with all these numerous industries, there is room and demand for more.

While our town is full of people, they continue to come in. The pressing question now is to open the streets further out and build more houses. This is being done, of course, but the work might go on a little faster. We have money, but we need more. Capital invested at Gastonia will always pay. We are destined to have a city right here in the near future. It is coming. Look for it. More anon.
 W. M. H. LEWIS.

(To Be Continued.)

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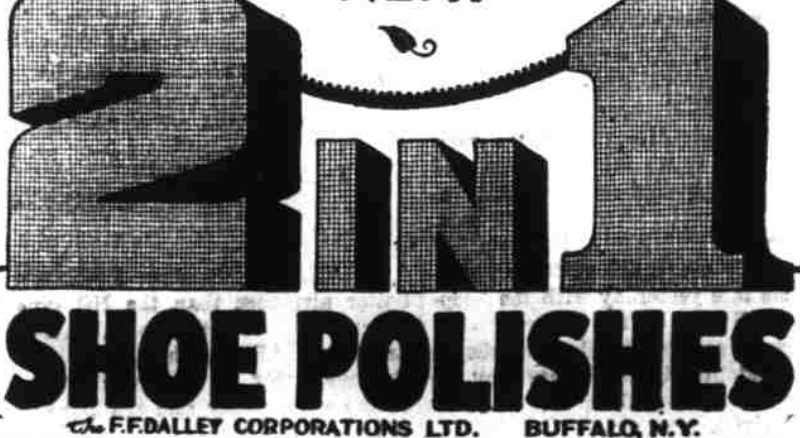
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