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## Eighty-Four Gallons a Minute.

### Being Drawn From Orphanage Well Now.

City Watertank Nearly Done. Leaks in System Being Plugged. Sewer System Happy on the Way

Eighty four gallons per minute since last Saturday is the performance of the Orphanage well to date. The sudden rise in the flow from 50 to 84 gallons is due to the addition of a nozzle at the lower end, and an entire re-arrangement of the pipes. Even yet, according to Mr. Freeman the pumps are running at only two-thirds of their capacity; when the permanent reservoir is completed and the regular connections made he counts on well over 100 gallons a minute. The principal anxiety of the authorities, and the public as well, has been the fear that the flow from the well would prove insufficient; but the pumps have been drawing 84 gallons a minute for nearly a week now without lowering the water an inch, so there is no reason to believe that the flow may not reach 125 or 150 gallons, as this paper prophesied two weeks ago. The announcement was received with ill-concealed skepticism then, but even the most cynical are beginning to waver now. The recently installed centrifugal pump snatches the water out and throws it into the system at a marvellous rate; if some machine could be designed to put the water into the reservoir as fast as that little fellow takes it out, the fortune of the inventor would be assured.

It is impossible in laying such an amount of piping as has recently been put down here, to avoid some bad places. As the water was pumped into the system these are beginning to evidence their presence and by the gradual seepage of the water, which turns the dirt above it into mud of a jelly-like consistency, are making the streets very treacherous. Mr. Freeman and his hands are moving heaven and earth to remedy these places, but as they do not all show up at once—the worst ones appear immediately—it will probably be some time before the system can be made perfectly water-tight. Had Thomasville had the tank and pumping-plant done before the pipes were laid, they might have been tested before they were covered up; but under the circumstances it was manifestly impossible to leave our ditches open in the street until the pumping plant was completed.

Mr. Homer Cogburn, who is in charge of the steelworkers erecting the city water tank says that he expects to be done some time next week. A double gang is at work now riveting the plates for all they are worth. By this time next week they will probably be filling the tank, and there will be pressure enough on the hydrants to throw a two-inch stream over any building in town.

"Old Betsy" has finished her trip up Salem Street, the sewer has been laid and covered and the street is beginning to assume a civilized appearance. If Mr. Hodnett and his gang continue to cover ground at the same rate at which they came up Salem street the McGarys bid fair to make good their threat to have the entire system completed by the last of October. With the tank about completed; with the water in; with part of the sewers already laid and the rest rapidly going down; and with a deep well with a young river in the bottom of it, we think Thomasville may fairly be said to be "out of the woods."

### Morning Party.

A charming morning party was given by Mrs. B. L. Ivey on Wednesday, in honor of her guests the Misses Sandifer and Ivey. For over an hour the guests plied stiches and chatted happily, and later a dainty luncheon was served consisting of sandwiches, tea and sherbet. Little Miss Susie Myers assisted the hostess and her fair house-guests in serving. Those who enjoyed Mrs. Ivey's hospitality were Mesdames Cramer, Julian, Martin, Boggs, Jennings, Morton, Myers, Johnson, Murphy, Harris, and Misses Bertha and Mary Ivey, Daisy, Martha, Mary Gray and Katsie Sandifer, Margaret Cates, Mary and Kate Johnson, Idamaie Yow, Jennings, Mamie Harris and Leah Rogers.

## Text Books Adopted.

Following are the text books adopted for the next five years by the state commission:

Spelling: Reed's Primary Speller and Reed's Word Lessons, by Chas. E. Merrill and Co. And "A spelling book" by Foust & Griffin (re-adopted), Alfred Williams and Co., Raleigh.

Defining: Webster's Dictionaries, by American Book Co; [re-adopted.] Reading: The Howell Primer, by Howell & Co.; The Haliburton Primer, D. C. Heath & Co.; The Howell first Reader, by Howell & Co.; Graded Classics 1, 2 and 3 [re-adopted], B. F. Johnson Company, Richmond; the Baker-Carpenter Language Readers 4 and 5. McMillan Company.

Writing: The Old North State Copybook, By North State publishing Company (re-adopted); The Berry Writing Books, B. D. Berry & Co., Chicago. (Only the Vertical system of writing was adopted.) Drawing: Progressive Lessons in Art Education, The Prang Educational Company.

Arithmetic: Milne's Geographies: Dodge's Primary Geography and Dodge's Comparative Geography, Rand, McNally & Co.

Language and Grammar: Hyde's Lessons in English, Book 1, D. C. Heath & Co. (re-adoption) Grammar and Composition Book 2, by Robbins & Row, published by Row, Peterson Company, Modern Grammar by Buehler and published by Newson & Co. (re-adopted for use in grades above the Seventh Grade in the public schools.)

History of North Carolina: Hill's Young People's History of North Carolina, D. H. Hill, publisher (re-adoption). Connor's Makers of North Carolina History, recommended for supplementary work in primary grades Thompson Publishing Co., of Raleigh.

History of the United States. No adoption. Referred to a committee for report and recommendation on or before Jan. 1, 1912. Histories on list to be used until that time.

Physiology and Hygiene: Ritchie-Caldwell Primer of Hygiene, kitchen's Primer of Sanitation. World Book Company with Thompson Publishing Company of Raleigh, as State Agents. Culler's Physiology, Book 3, for use in grades above the seventh grade. Lippincott & Co., (Re-adopted.)

Civil Government: Peel's Civil Government of North Carolina and the United States. B. F. Johnson Publishing Company (re-adoption.) Agriculture: Agriculture for Beginners, by Burkett, Stevens and Hill, Ginn & Co., publishers (re-adoption.)

Supplementary List recommended The story of cotton, by E. C. Brooks, Rand, McNally & Co. Jackson & Davis' Industrial History of the Negro Race (for negro schools); Negro Educational Association, Richmond.

The Heart of Oak Books, 1 to 7 by C. E. Norton, D. C. Heath & Co. Southern Prose and Poetry, by Mizis and Payne; Charles Scribner's Sons.

With Pen and Pencil (language lessons for primary schools) by Sarah Louise Arnold; Ginn & Co. Language Through Nature Literature and Art, by Perdu & Griswold; Rand McNally Co.—Catawba County News.

### Companion Piece For the Stateville Incident.

Last week at Statesville, during the trial of Reuben Combs, and while the court house was crowded with people, a man deliberately took the top off the water cooler and spit in the vessel. Whether he thought the vessel was a cuspidor or was so absorbed in the court proceedings that he forgot himself, is not known.

This calls to mind an incident of similar kind that happened in Lenoir several years ago. A prominent member of the Lenoir bar was intently arguing the admission of certain testimony being given by a witness, and was standing near the witness stand. The cap of the witness was lying on the floor by the side of his chair, and the attorney, either thinking the cap a cuspidor or being so absorbed in his argument that he forgot himself, deliberately squirted a mouthful of amber into the upturned cap. The incident created much merriment and disconcerted the attorney very much.—Lenoir News.

## The New Teachers.

### Tenth Grade Added.

Graded School Faculty Complete With One Exception.

Principal J. N. Hauss announces that all the vacancies, with one exception, in the teaching force of the Thomasville Graded School are now filled. No teacher has been secured for the upper section of the fifth and lower section of the sixth grade, but with that exception the faculty is complete. Several changes are to be made in the system this year; each teacher, except the one in charge of the lower first grade, will have a part of two grades, each grade being divided into an upper and a lower section; the upper section of one grade will be put with the lower section of the next higher one and a teacher set over the combination. A tenth grade has been added; this will be under the direct supervision of Mr. Hauss, although the work will be more or less divided up. Miss Green taking probably one subject, and Miss Crowell another, while Mr. Hauss may possibly teach one or two subjects to the ninth grade. Nevertheless the tenth will be officially known as Mr. Hauss' grade.

The list of teachers up to date stands as follows. "Upper" and "lower" refer to the sections of each grade.

Lower first, Miss Lala Mundy, of Denver, N. C.

Upper first, Miss Lillian Yow, of Thomasville.

Lower second, Miss Willard Powers, of Rutherfordton.

Upper second and lower third, Miss Adelaide Morrow, of Mebane.

Upper third and lower fourth, Miss Zora Hannah, of Waynesville.

Upper fourth and lower fifth, Miss Ruth Ivey, of Raleigh.

Upper fifth and lower sixth, to be supplied.

Upper sixth and entire seventh, Miss Lettie Green, of Thomasville.

Eighth and ninth, Miss Elizabeth Crowell, of Charlotte.

Tenth, Mr. J. N. Hauss.

### Automobiles in the Bible.

The word "automobile" does not appear in the Bible, yet the prophet Nahum says: "The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against the other in the broad ways; they shall seem like torches; they shall run like the lightnings." Jeremiah refers to the "round tires, like the moon." To those who have trouble with the magneto the words of Job are appropriate, "The spark of his fire shall not shine," and again, "for the spark faileth and flieth away and lo, it is not." "Behold," says Isaiah, "they shall come with speed swiftly," and with "the noise of the rattling of the wheels and of the jumping chariots." These references to the motor car are fitly supplemented by the realistic description of the chauffeur in Second Kings: "His driving is like the driving Jehu, the son of Nimshi, for he driveth furiously;" and the chauffeur seems to be singled out in Acts. "We let her drive."

Turning to Shakespeare, the many-sided, myriad-minded, we find that his vision was no less striking than that of the prophets of old. For example, in speaking of the mania for fast driving, so common now, the poet is most explicit. Philip in "King John" after an arduous endurance run, thus cries out, "O, I am scalded with my violent motion and aplemy speed." Another character exclaims, "it shall be speeded well;" while still another, bent on having "joy ride," says gleefully, "thus we set on, the swifter speed the better," only to say later: "For that which he did arrest me with an officer," good evidence that he exceeded the speed limit. In connection with "joy ride," the Dromio of Syracuse seems to have been purveyor of supplies for such festive occasions, as in one instance he reported that he had "bought the oil and the aquavite." In "Henry the Fourth" Travers, describing an effort to break a record, says of the man at the wheel: "In starting he seemed to devour the way," an expression equivalent, in modern slang, to "burning up the road."

This suggests one of Lord Clifford's contemptuous criticisms of a new machine: "Thy car never had scorched the earth."

A recent emendation of a well known clause in "King John" reads

## Warning!

The Water Works Commission requests us to call attention to the holes in the road along the ditches where the pipes have been laid. They wish all drivers of wagons, and automobiles, and horseback riders to be very careful and watch out for the soft wet places. The holes are now being fixed with a great rush and all will soon be in good shape.

### Wallburg News.

Now is the busy time. Everything is being put in readiness for the opening which is the 22nd. The principal stated on yesterday that if applications for rooms came in as rapidly for the next four days as they had in the past few he would be compelled to call a meeting of the Executive Committee to formulate plans to provide more dormitory room. The demand for rooms has been twice as large this year as ever before. Miss Helen Graves of Leasburg, the Lady Principal, will arrive Monday.

Mr. R. L. Wall has gone to Mocks, Va. and other points in Davie county in interest of the school.

Miss Ethel Teague and Mr. Lee Rhine of Washington, D. C. have returned home after a short visit to relatives in the town and vicinity.

The improvement of the water system adds greatly to the convenience and safety of the town. The well has been enlarged and other desirable improvements made in the system.

Mr. T. S. Wall has returned from Richmond where he has been attending the Jewelers' Association.

Miss Berta Noell of Roxboro who has been the attractive guest of Miss Martha Wall has gone to Lexington where she will visit friends for several weeks.

Mr. G. T. Cochrane of Thomasville was among the business visitors in town last week.

Prof. J. M. Cheek, the Assistant Principal, is spending a few days at his home in Durham, N. C.

Mr. J. F. Notsinger has returned from a several weeks visit in Virginia.

Among the former students here last week were Messrs. Willard Dyer of High Point and Stewart Stone of Thomasville.

Miss Maude Wall has returned from a visit to friends in Charlotte and Salisbury.

Dr. J. M. Stallings is a pleasant visitor in town. He preached both at the morning and evening services in the Baptist Church of which he was formerly pastor.

Messrs. G. W. and C. M. Wall are business visitors to Lexington today.

Messrs. Rowan Smith of Winston-Salem and Y. F. Cecil of High Point were pleasant visitors of the school. Both were here to look over the school and engaged rooms for their sons.

Mrs. O. A. Keller and children have returned from Taylorsville where they have been spending several weeks with Mrs. Keller's mother.

thus: "My lord, they say five cars were seen tonight, Four stalled, the fifth did whirl about The other four in wondrous motion."

This new and interesting version is by a chauffeur of some eminence who has made a careful study of what the Man of Avon wrote. It throws a flood of light upon an obscure passage which has caused heated discussion among some of the famous commentators.

There are some, mostly "knockers," who say that Prince Henry's grim question, "How many hast thou killed today?" refers directly to the automobile.—Exchange.

### Farmers in Session.

The Farmers' Institute was called to order at 10:30 Thursday morning under the big arbor at the Orphanage. A large crowd was in attendance and the meeting bade fair to be an enthusiastic one. Unfortunately The DAVIDSONIAN went to press too early to get a full account of the proceedings.

## You Can Quit Cranking

### When the New Telephones Are Installed.

Thomasville Telephone Co., to Reconstruct Their Entire System. Central Energy Station and Crankless Telephones to be Put In.

The Thomasville Telephone Co., is preparing to make a sweeping change in its system in this town; almost their entire equipment as it now stands is to go on the scrap-heap to give place to the most modern up-to-date mechanism known to the telephone world. Work at the central office has already begun; the present switchboard, although it has been installed a comparatively short time, is to be thrown out, and a highly complicated thoroughly modern one will replace it. Instead of the old-style drops the new board will have row on row of tiny electric lamps, and when a subscriber takes down his receiver the light connected with his phone on the board begins to burn and continues to glow until the call is answered. Under this system it will be impossible for a call to escape Central's notice, until the irate subscriber has almost twisted the handle off his phone in his frantic efforts to call attention. The new board will be here about the first of next month, and the company expects to begin to make the transfers as soon as it arrives.

The installation of the new board necessitates radical changes outside the central office. As the phones are transferred from the old board to the new a "condenser" will be attached to each one; later on all the old phones will be removed to give place to entirely new ones; these new phones are little beauties; they are about eight or ten inches square, and without the crank and unsightly battery box. They will occupy about a third as much room as the old phones and will be much better looking.

The outside lines also are to be entirely rebuilt. The present ugly tangle of wires will be removed and cables substituted, after the fashion of the present line on Randolph street, which will add immeasurably to the appearance of the thoroughfares. This however is to be done gradually and it will likely be some months before the system is entirely complete.

When the new apparatus is in place Thomasville will be the smallest town in the state with such equipment. Winston-Salem installed it only year before last. The new mechanism will cost the Company about \$200, the switchboard alone calling for \$80. When the cost of labor is added to this it will total much higher.

We congratulate the Company and the subscribers on this evidence of the progressive spirit of the officials.

### Mrs. J. B. Boone Dead.

Just as we go to press we learn that Rev. M. L. Kealer has received a telegram containing the sad news of the death of Mrs. Sadie Maddrey Boone, widow of the late Rev. J. B. Boone, for ten years the General Manager of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. Mrs. Boone will be buried Friday afternoon at Hendersonville.

### Crutchfield Hardware Co. Robbed

Burglars entered through the back door of the Crutchfield Hardware Company's store Tuesday night, and secured two double-barreled shotguns, worth \$48 a pair, and \$3 in cash. The worst damage however was done to the big cash-register which the robbers battered up pretty badly. The safe was intact. The company offers \$10 for the conviction of the parties to whose identity they have no clue.

### Water-Works Come in Handy.

Fire early Monday morning destroyed the excelsior store-room of the Queen Chair Co., and for a short time threatened the dry-kiln. However the officials at the Orphanage were stirred up by Mr. B. F. W. Bryant, who rushed down there in his auto, and the pumps started, furnishing pressure enough to throw a good-sized stream over the menaced building. The damage was small.

## 4,078 Inhabitants Says Mr. Hauss.

### School Authorities Complete Census.

Gain over School Census of 1910 is 251—Over United States Census of 1910, 201—And Don't Forget the People Who Left After the Two Great Fires.

The population of the Garden Spot has passed the four thousand mark, according to figures collected by Mr. J. N. Hauss, Superintendent of the Thomasville Graded Schools. Mr. Hauss' report, turned in the first of this week shows a total population, white and colored, of four thousand and seventy-eight souls. The whites number three thousand three hundred and fifty; the colored seven hundred and twenty-eight. When Mr. Hauss took the census last year he found three thousand one hundred and fifty-one whites and six hundred and seventy-six negroes—a total of three thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven. The United States Census, taken in April, showed three thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, fifty more than Mr. Hauss found in mid-summer of the same year.

In 1910 there were seven hundred and forty-two white children of school age—between six and twenty-one in Thomasville. Now there are eight hundred and nineteen. A year ago there were two hundred and seventy-five negro school children; now there are two hundred and eighty-three. There are one thousand and two school children, white and black in town. No wonder the school-board are scratching their heads in perplexity and cutting off slices of the auditorium to make additional class-rooms.

There is one drawback to trusting too much to these statistics, however, and that is the time that they are collected. The school-census is always taken in mid-summer, as that is the only spare time Mr. Hauss has, and therefore it is always a little below the high-water mark; this year, in particular, it is probably lower than usual owing to the destruction by fire of the plants of the Cramer and Lambeth furniture companies. We have no doubt that had that been possible to put off the count until the middle of October that the figure would have been at least 4,200. We believe also that, barring another visit of the fire fiend or other unusual accident, the figure next year will be 4,500, and if everybody would pull together it would come dangerously close to 5,000. Don't you?

## Seventy-two Hundred People Treated For Hookworm Disease in Twenty Days in Four Counties.

In the counties of Sampson, Robeson, Columbus, and Halifax 7200 victims of hookworm disease have been treated at the State and County dispensaries. Nearly double this number have been examined. During the first five days the dispensaries were open only 615 cases were treated, whereas during the last five days 2808 were treated. During the twenty days there were treated in Sampson 1682 cases; in Robeson 1352; in Columbus 3047; and in Halifax in 12 days 1109 cases.

The County Boards of Education, to show their spirit of cooperation, are having sanitary privies installed at all the school houses being used as dispensaries.

After about two weeks the dispensary work will move into new counties. Cumberland, Onalaw, Wayne and Northampton Counties have made the necessary provision to have the dispensaries next. The Commissioners and people generally are highly pleased with the work of the dispensaries.

### Odd Fellows' Orphans Here the 25th

A singing class consisting of a dozen children a music teacher and a manager from the Odd Fellows Orphanage at Goldsboro will give a concert in the Main St. M. E. church Friday night August 25th. There is no admission and everybody is cordially invited; this class is not expected to help support the Orphanage, but simply to advertise it and show what kind of work the Orphanage is doing. We bespeak for them a large and attentive audience in Thomasville.