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A BEAUTIFUL DANCE.

Elaborate Social Event Last Friday Night.

The prettiest and most elaborate german that has been held here, took place in Perkins' hall Friday night of last week. The hall was exquisite in its decorations of Japanese colors and lanterns and American flags with electric lights in each of the lanterns. The decorations came from Ellsworth, of New York. The music was by Levin's orchestra, of Raleigh, who gave a splendid concert of an hour while the spectators and dancers were arriving, and this was an enjoyable feature.

It was strictly a card dance with many beautiful figures, some of the prettier ones being the interior fireworks flags, maltese cross and the cog wheel. The german was led by Walter Wilson Jr. with Miss Nell Skinner, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Gregory. Miss Skinner wore white messaline satin trimmed with hand embroidery, and Mrs. Gregory a pink satin sheath gown. Space will not permit a description of the dresses of the many ladies present, but all were robed in the height of fashion and the gentlemen in full dress. It was a gathering of beauty and gallantry surrounded by such decorations as made a picture seldom equalled.

Others taking part in the dance were:

Harry Biggs, of Williamston with Miss Hellen Crenshaw, of Lenoir.

Badger Hart, of Lenoir, with Miss Lucille John, of Raleigh.

Albion Dunn, of Scotland Neck, with Miss Lottie Skinner. Frank W. Wilson, with Miss Mary James.

J. Benj. Higgs with Miss Hellen Newell, of Rocky Mount. Will Lipscombe with Miss Besie Gaskill, of Tarboro.

Albert Rountree, of Kinston, with Miss Reba Bridgers, of Tarboro.

Durward Wilson, of West Point, N. Y., with Miss Olive Morrill, of Snow Hill.

Ames Brown with Miss Mary Shelburn.

Charlie James with Miss Lottie Blow.

Thomas J. Moore, of Lumberton, with Miss Annie Lamb, of Williamston.

Willie Watts, of Williamston, with Miss Lucille Cobb.

Frank Beaton with Miss Irma Cobb.

Cary Warren with Miss Hellen Forbes.

Judson Blount, of Bethel, with Miss Mary Lee Woodard, of Wilson.

Bob Howard with Miss Delle Woodard, of Wilson.

Mr. Townsend, of Farmville, with Miss Katie Moore, of Washington.

Claud Carroll, of Washington, with Miss Hattie Jones, of Washington.

Mr. Robinson, of Washington, with Miss Julia Moore, of Washington.

John W. Hassell, of Williamston, with Miss Alice Blow.

Milton Dawson, of Tarboro, with Miss Katharine Small, of Washington.

Andrew J. Moore with Miss Nancy Coward.

Carl Turnage, of Farmville, with Miss Janie Brown.

John Ivey Smith with Miss Pearl Campbell, of Washington. Jesse Speight with Miss Reed, of Baltimore. Jim Ellison, of Washington, with Miss Mary Higgs. Mr. Callis, of Washington,

CHRISTMAS WEEK WEDDINGS.

Long List of Marriage Licenses for the Holidays.

Register of Deeds W. M. Moore had a big rush of applicants for marriage licenses Christmas week, and issued them to the following couples:

WHITE.

J. C. Williams and Fannie Whitfield.

E. S. Waters and Florence Turner.

J. E. Pollard and Ada Brown. J. L. McLawhorn and Mamie Roberson.

Joseph Barnhill and Mattie Hodges.

Amos L. Garris and Lovie Worthington.

E. F. Davis and Mary J. Peaden.

J. E. Bullock and Rosa Gray. C. H. Turner and Hattie R. Jones.

James G. Fornes and Viola Stokes.

J. F. Crawford and Novella Allen.

D. W. Beddard and Hattie May Foreman.

William Moore and Kate McLawhorn.

COLORED.

Jacob Foreman and Susan Rives.

Henry Smith and Mattie Moore.

Louis Peyton and Cherry Moore.

Zeno Peyton and Mamie Cherry.

Noah Williams and Maude Dupree.

Frank Evans and Sophie Little. Stanley Dawson and Lula Hudson.

Allen Exum and Jeanette Fairson.

Sidney Randolph and Ester Johnson.

Eliza Perkins and Quinnie Crandall.

Washington Wilson and Fannie Joyner.

W. G. Chapman and Lula Savage.

Joe Daniel and Lula Wallace. Chas. Williams and Nenia Johnston.

Lewis Duncan and Matilda Forbes.

Thunder Storm Christmas Day.

On Christmas after noon this section had a summer-time thunder storm with lightning and hail. We have not found any who can recall such an occurrence before on Christmas day.

with Miss Nan Lou Waldrop, of Hendersonville.

Mr. Waters with Miss Pattie Davenport, of Pactolus.

O. B. Joyner, of Scotland Neck, with Miss Mamie Brinkley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ferrall, Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Dail, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williams, Mrs. A. L. Blow, Mrs. Ada Cherry, Miss Julia Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Couch, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Flanagan. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cherry.

Stags—James Gaskill, of Tarboro, W. L. Brown, Harry Skinner, Jr., A. M. Moseley, Hyman Phillips, of Tarboro, Frank Wooten, Burt James, Ben Smith, of Wilson, Henry Clark, of Scotland Neck, John Clark, of Wilson. Mr. Kirby, of Tarboro, Cook Wainright, of Wilson, Edward Parker, of Tarboro, Mr. McDowell, of Scotland Neck, Mr. Wooten, of Americus, Ga., Mr. Clark, of Americus, Ga.

GERMAN CLUB ORGANIZED.

Explanation as to the Recent Dance in Perkins' Hall.

A very enthusiastic German club for the town of Greenville was organized Monday night composing forty or more members. A complete organization of this club will be effected at its next meeting. The following is a synopsis of what transpired at the meeting Monday night:

Officers elected for one year: W. L. Hall, president.

A. J. Moore, secretary and treasurer.

W. H. Dail, Jr., senior leader. J. B. James, junior leader.

The office of vice president was left open till the next meeting of the club.

Committees appointed:

1. Committee to get a suitable name for the club and present at the next meeting.

2. Committee to draft constitution and by-laws for the club and present at the next meeting.

3. Committee to investigate and draft suitable and proper resolutions condemning in a proper way, the manner in which the german given in Greenville on the night of Dec. 25th, 1908, was promoted and conducted, and to put the town of Greenville in the proper light to those who were among us on the night of the 25th inst.

Resolved, That whereas, on December the 25th, a dance was given in Perkins' opera house purporting to be given by The Columbian German club of Greenville. This was a mistake; such club not existing and has not existed for many years. The dance was in charge of Walter B. Wilson, Jr., and neither the said Columbian club nor our present organization had anything to do with it, hence not responsible for its result.

Therefore, we the German club, in justice to our social club a recent organization, and also in justice to the people of Greenville, realizing the great injury that has and will result from this most regrettable occurrence and in recognition of the embarrassment forced upon us, most emphatically condemn the manner in which the whole affair was managed.

John Ivey Smith, D. M. Clark, S. C. Wooten, J. B. James, Committee.

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New Pastor of Baptist Church.

Rev. J. B. Cook, pastor of the Weatherford Memorial church in Manchester, has accepted a hearty call to become the pastor of the Baptist church at Greenville, N. C. Greenville is the county-seat of Pitt county, and a progressive and lovely town of 6,000 souls, and the church to which Brother Cook will go January 1st makes a desirable pastorate. Brother Cook has done faithful and most efficient work in his four years with the Weatherford Memorial folks, and they love him dearly. He is a native of Pittsylvania county, in old Virginia, is a Richmond College man, a genial spirit and a faithful minister of the word. We pray God's blessings upon him, and put on notice our friend, Editor Hight C. Moore, of the Biblical Recorder, that the Baptists of the Old North State will make no mistake in receiving into their genial fellowship this Virginian, whom we let go a bit stingily in exchange for some of the fine men North Carolina Baptists have sent to us.—Richmond Religious Herald.

FIRE AT FOUNTAIN.

One Side of Business Street Swept Away.

The Reflector learns by telephone of a disastrous fire at Fountain, in the western part of the county, that occurred about midnight Sunday night. The fire started in the rear and on outside of J. C. Dilda's store, and is supposed to be the work of incendiaries. Before the flames could be checked all the business buildings on the south side of Wilson street had been destroyed. The best estimate that could be obtained of the losses is as follows:

J. C. Dilda, store and stock, amount not stated.

D. F. Lang & Co., stock, loss about \$10,000, insurance about \$3,000.

Gardner & Baker, stock and building, loss about \$12,000, insurance \$5,500.

Nathan Moore, building about \$500 insurance unknown.

R. L. Jefferson & Bro., building occupied by others, loss \$700, insurance \$400.

George Dunn, building, \$500, about half insured.

Barber shop in building owned by Gardner & Baker, amount not stated.

The large stores of R. L. Jefferson & Bro. and of Fountain & Co. on the opposite side of the street were slightly damaged.

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SCHOOL CLOSING.

Editor Reflector:

Near Cox's Mill the Christmas holidays began on Wednesday night, 23rd, when Miss Lea Roach's students of McGowan school and Misses Cora and Sadie Carroll's pupils of the Mills school, come together at Mills school house in an entertainment that proved the most enjoyable occasion of the season. The first part of the program was recitations by the smaller children that would have done credit to those twice their age. Then there were songs and Santa Claus marches by the larger pupils in which all acquitted themselves handsomely and showed that excellent training had been given them.

Elder Laughinghouse introduced Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and there was a happy time as these took presents from the beautiful Christmas tree and delivered them to the pupils.

At the conclusion of the exercises all departed for their homes wishing each other a merry Christmas and happy new year.

Christmas is over with us now and it passed off very quietly. As the new year opens I hope we may all resolve to do better, and lets make next Christmas even a happier one than this has been. C.

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Whichard-Doughty.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Doughty announce the marriage of their daughter

Maud Clinton to

Mr. David Edgar Whichard on Saturday

December twenty-sixth one thousand nine hundred and eight

Baltimore. At home, 24 Brown street, Norfolk, Va.

Fresh Pork Sausage at S. M. Schultz.

THE MOCK COURT TRIAL

Brim Full of Fun From Start to Finish.

The Mock Court Trial in the opera house Tuesday night was decidedly mirth provoking, and was highly enjoyed by the large audience.

Court was opened by Officer L. W. Lawrence, with x Gov. Jarvis presiding judge and Clerk D. C. Moore at his desk. The docket was called and a few minor cases disposed of before the real trial began. R. W. King was charged with over exertion, but his counsel promising that he would not do so any more the case was dismissed. J. G. Moye was charged with selling undressed kids, but the explanation was made that the kids were only gloves and he was excused.

The breach of promise suit came next, and the calling of the jury disclosed such notable names as W. H. Tatt, David B. Hill, Admiral Dewey, Teddy Roosevelt, Governor Glenn, Senators Overman and Simmons, J. Pierpont Morgan, John D. Rockefeller, Alton B. Parker, Chauncey M. Depew and John L. Sullivan, each of whom was applauded as he entered to go to the jury box.

The plaintiff was Miss Lot Skinner and the defendant F. M. Wooten, A. V. Newton, of Massachusetts, originator and director of the trial, appearing for the plaintiff and A. L. Blow for the defense. The plaintiff's witnesses were Miss Irma Cobb and W. H. Dail Jr. and the defendant's Miss Mary James, Dr. C. O'H. Laughinghouse and E. G. Flanagan. They were all star witnesses, and there were a number of amusing local hits. The speeches of counsel and the charge of the judge were in good keeping with the trial.

The amount sued for was \$3.48 cents. The jury found the defendant guilty, and recommended that he pay the full \$3.48 cents, \$3 to go to the jury and 48 cents to the judge, adding that he would not have been worth anything to the widow if she had got him.

The part of each character was exceptionally good, and the audience enjoyed every moment of the trial.

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J. L. Carper Assigns.

On Monday Mr. J. L. Carper, a dry goods dealer here, made a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, H. W. Whedbee being named as assignee. The amount of liability and assets have not yet been learned. It is a case of inability to meet obligations and the assignment is made without any preferences, all creditors coming into share alike.

Boy Killed a Girl.

A colored boy about 13 years of age was brought here and committed to jail, Thursday afternoon, charged with killing a girl near the same ago. The tragedy occurred on the Blakeley farm below Pactolus. The boy had a gun which he was pointing promiscuously at other children, and taking aim at the girl pulled the trigger and killed her.

For Sale—A four-horse farm, one mile South of Greenville. It is fine tobacco land and has three tenant houses. For particulars see John W. Tucker.

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AWFUL EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY

The Death List Runs up in the Thousands.

Rome, Dec. 29 One hundred thousand dead. Messina in Sicily and Reggio and a score of other towns in southern Italy overwhelmed; the entire Calabrian region laid waste—this is the earthquake record so far as is at present known from the reports that are coming slowly into Rome on account of the almost complete destruction of lines of communication to the stricken places.

The death list in Messina ranges from 12,000 to 50,000; that of Reggio, which with its adjacent villages, numbered 45,000 people, includes almost the entire population. At Palmi 1,000 are reported dead; at Cassano 1,000; at Cosensa 500; and half of the population of Baghera, about 4,000.

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Mrs. S. A. Cherry Dead.

It filled the heart of many friends with sadness to learn this morning that Mrs. Sallie Ann Cherry was dead. She passed away about 10 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Miss Lillian Cherry, on Washington street. She was near 60 years of age, and the widow of the late Mr. T. R. Cherry. For several years she had been totally blind, and of late had been practically an invalid. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. D. L. James and Miss Lillian Cherry.

Mrs. Cherry was a woman of unusual intellect and was an accomplished poet. In years gone by it was the pleasure of The Reflector to publish some of her beautiful poems. She possessed such refinement and such kindness of heart as to win the esteem of all who knew her. Though a great sufferer in her declining years, she bore her afflictions patiently and her faith in Christ was steadfast.

The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Baptist church, the interment in Cherry Hill cemetery. The pall bearers will be: Active—Messrs. J. W. Ferrell, C. T. Munford, W. B. Brown, R. J. Cobb, D. J. Whichard and H. W. Whedbee. Honorary—Ex-Gov. T. J. Jarvis, Messrs. J. J. Cherry, L. W. Lawrence, C. D. Rountree, W. H. Ragsdale and A. L. Blow.

Social Set Entertained.

Miss Mattie Moye King royally entertained a number of her many friends Tuesday afternoon. Progressive whist was played the prize being won by Miss Sadie Chesson, of Plymouth.

Refreshments were served by Miss Amine King and Master Richard King, Jr.

For Sale—Cabbage plant-grown from Tate's thoroughbred Jersey Wakefield seed, in any quantity. \$1 per 1,000 delivered from field, 25 cents per 1,000 extra for packing for shipment.

15 L. C. Arthur.

As we want to close up our business as soon as possible, will appreciate an early settlement of all accounts due us.

J. F. Davenport Co. 12 29 4td 1tw

For Rent or Lease—A small farm. Terms reasonable, good house and location. See J. W. Brown at once. 12 29 4td 2w

Shingles for sale by G. T. Tyson. 12 29 1wk 2kw

