

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
J. H. Thornwell, D. D., pastor. Preaching second and fourth Sundays at 11.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Sunday School at 10.30 a. m.—J. T. Mackey, superintendent.
Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

METHODIST CHURCH.
Rev. R. A. Yongue pastor. Preaching first Sundays at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., third Sundays at 3.30 p. m., fourth Sundays at 8 p. m.

Sunday School at 10.30 a. m.—W. A. Fisher, superintendent.
Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

BAPTIST CHURCH.
Rev. A. Finch pastor. Preaching first and third Sundays at 11.30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Sunday School at 10.30 a. m.—Robert Butler, superintendent.
Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

FORT MILL MELANGE.

Pithy Points Gathered for the Perusal of Times Readers.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mills on last Friday morning, a daughter.

Mr. J. A. Tate announces his candidacy for clerk of court this week.

James M. Williford, a prosperous farmer whose home was near Rock Hill, died suddenly of heart disease last Wednesday.

Our enterprising neighbors in Harrison, N. C., are raising funds with which to replace their old church with a new one.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Heath came down from Charlotte Saturday night and spent Sunday at the home of Mr. D. O. Potts, who is Mrs. Heath's brother.

The annual commencement exercises of the Pineville Public School are to be held to-morrow evening. A number of young Fort Mill people expect to be present.

J. Lee Spratt returned from the University of Maryland, Baltimore, Sunday morning. He has been a member of the dental class two years and expects to graduate in 1901.

J. H. Sutton returned from Spencer, N. C., last Friday, after spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Lee Armstrong, whose husband is in the mercantile business in that town.

A break in one of the boilers at the lower cotton mill last Friday occasioned a shut down of about six hours. Since that time extra hours have been added to the regular day's work to recover the lost time.

Rev. R. A. Yongue left Monday morning for a ten days' stay in Williston, S. C., where he is to conduct a religious meeting during his absence. His first ministerial work was done in Williston about thirteen years ago.

At the request of a number of his congregation, Dr. Thornwell will re-deliver in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning a sermon which he preached a few weeks ago from the text of the "Christian's death and the resurrection."

Wm. Creighton returned from a short visit to Washington, D. C., last Tuesday. He has a brother employed in the postal service whose route is between Charlotte and Washington. Mr. Creighton thinks Washington the most beautiful city he has ever seen.

Earle Glover, a young negro boy, was arrested by Officer Johnston last Wednesday morning on the charge of stealing a pistol from a Rock Hill merchant. The boy admitted the theft of the pistol and was released after returning it and paying the cost incident to his arrest.

Notary Public W. O. Bailes writes The Times that Sunday was another record-breaking day at his matrimonial establishment, six couples, three white and three colored, being tied together. The white contracting parties were, J. C. Bancom and Miss Annie Forbis, Matthews, N. C.; J. H. Tomberlin and Miss Mollie Hill, Charlotte, N. C.; Thos. J. Norris and Miss Mamie Courtney, Gastonia, N. C.

While our people generally feel elated over the prospects of a public bridge over Catawba River at a point near this place, there are a few who do not acquiesce in the idea of building it and would vote their sentiments were the matter left to the decision of the electors of the county. Living within 2 miles of Fort Mill there is an old man who has for twenty-five years earned a livelihood by operating a ferry on the river near his home, and those who are opposed to the building of the bridge say that they do not wish to see the old man's only source of support taken from him.

Death of Mrs. L. J. Massey.

The angel of death visited Fort Mill on last Thursday night and another flower has been plucked from this earth and transplanted in paradise.

Our community was greatly grieved on Friday morning to hear of the death of Mrs. Mary Massey, beloved wife of Mr. L. J. Massey. For several weeks Mrs. Massey had been in poor health, but her recovery was not despaired of until the attending physician, Dr. T. S. Kirkpatrick, stated about three days before death came that her recovery was extremely doubtful. A few weeks before Christmas she contracted a severe case of grippe, which developed into peritonitis about ten days ago. Still her friends hoped against hope that she might recover, but to no avail. She quietly fell asleep on the night of the 13th instant, and the remains were interred in the Fort Mill cemetery in the presence of a large and sorrowful number of relatives and friends on the following afternoon.

"Thou shalt be missed because thy seat shall be empty" were the words used by her pastor in speaking of her death. She was very much loved and respected and took great interest in church work, having united herself with the Presbyterian Church in this place on May 2, 1880, and was revered and esteemed by all who knew her for her many acts of kindness and charity to the poor. She was indeed a sweet, tender-hearted Christian woman, who was devoted to her family and friends, and she will be missed and her untimely death bemoaned until all those who knew her have also crossed the dark and mystic Styx.

Mrs. Massey was born in Lancaster, S. C., November 6, 1854, and was married to Mr. L. J. Massey on November 12, 1884. She was the mother of four children, the youngest of whom is a beautiful little girl four years of age. Besides her husband and children, she leaves a mother (Mrs. T. J. K. Belk), three sisters, and one brother to mourn their loss.

Cards have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Sara Eugenia Williams, of Lancaster, and Mr. Thos. Melver Hughes, of this place, to be solemnized at the home of the bride's parents in Lancaster on Saturday afternoon, April 21. Mr. Hughes is a member of the popular firm of Hughes & Young and is a young man of sterling qualities. Miss Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Aurelius Williams, is a young lady of culture and refinement, and the many friends of Mr. Hughes will join with us in congratulating him on winning the heart and hand of this lovely woman.

Supervisor Wooten informed the reporter on Monday night that the Southern Railway has decided to dig a well from which to obtain water for the tank which is to be located near the depot in this place instead of contracting with the officers of the upper mill to furnish water for the tank. The well is to be dug within a few feet of the tank and will be 20 by 20 feet. It is thought that a depth of 30 feet can be attained. But there is no certainty that the railway will be able to put in a well 30 feet deep at the proposed location, as quicksand abounds at that point and they are apt to conclude before the work is finished that the "game isn't worth the play."

The lecture delivered by Rev. Dr. Bays on "Courtship" at Gold Hill Academy last Thursday evening was a surprise to those who heard it, in that they were so profitably and pleasantly entertained for more than an hour and a half by the discussion of a subject which would ordinarily seem threadbare and worn to a frazzle. Some of the periods used by the doctor in his lecture were as beautiful as one could wish to hear, and it is a source of gratification to those who managed the lecture to know that all who heard it were so highly pleased. The proceeds, amounting to several dollars, is to be expended in the purchase of new books for the library, which already contains several hundred as choice volumes as could be found in the library of any school. The library feature of our schools is one which unhappily is too often overlooked, and our Gold Hill neighbors are to be congratulated on their efforts to improve their school in this way.

Until Sunday evening the strike of the telegraph operators on the Southern Railway was known to Fort Mill only through the newspaper reports of it. But those who wished to transact business at the depot in this place Sunday night and Monday were able to observe that there was a strike in progress and that Fort Mill was feeling the effects of it. Mr. L. E. Ligon, who was operator and agent at this place until Sunday evening,

closed his office immediately after the northbound train passed and refused to transact any business for the railway company, stating as his reason for refusing to act for the company that he was a member of the Order of Railway Telegraphers and that upon a just grievance against his former employer he had been ordered to quit their service. Sunday night he left for Columbia to consult with an official of his order concerning the progress of the strike, etc. He returned to Fort Mill Monday evening, however, and was accompanied by several railroad officials and two operators, to whom he gave the keys of the office. The non-union men who have accepted the position which he vacated are, W. Mishoe, of Lorris, S. C., and S. O. Sistrunk, of Due West, S. C., both young men. Train Dispatcher Williams was one of the railway officials who came to Fort Mill Monday evening and he informed the reporter that the strike had occasioned his company little inconvenience and that they had been able to promptly fill the places of the strikers. Mr. Ligon, however, does not agree with him in this statement. He says that the Southern has been unable to move its trains on schedule time since the strike was inaugurated and that before it is at an end the company will re-employ its former operators and accede to their demands of a specified number of hours to constitute a day's work, with an increase in salaries. Aside from the claims of the company and the strikers, the facts in the case seem to justify the statement that the strikers are making a losing fight.

William Banks to Marry.

On Wednesday afternoon, the 25th instant, at 4.30 o'clock, Miss Laurens Louise Vance and Mr. William Banks are to be married in Columbia, says the State. The wedding will be a quiet home affair, only a few of the more intimate friends of the young couple being invited. Miss Vance is the eldest daughter of Col. and Mrs. Samuel Watson Vance. She is a young woman possessed of many attractions, physical and mental, and is one who fittingly merits the term "womanly woman," the term that can only rarely be applied with truth and honesty. Bright cultured, and refined, Miss Vance has a charm of personality that is all her own. Frankness, cordiality, and sincerity are among this charming girl's chief characteristics, and Mr. Banks deserves hearty congratulations upon winning her hand. Mr. Banks is and has been for two years a member of the State's staff. He is a talented young man, and his friends are everywhere. He is a newspaper man of rare promise and richly deserves the popularity he enjoys in Columbia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Clerk of Court.

We are authorized to announce W. BROWN WYLLIE as a candidate for reelection to the office of Clerk of the Court for York County, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic party in the primary election. W. H. STEWART.

Subject to the action of the Democratic primary election, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Court for York County. J. J. HUNTER.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Clerk of Court of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. J. A. TATE.

County Supt. of Education.

Will sail by Good Hope. The life boat leaves the shore. Submissive to all necessary Democratic requirements. The 29th century candidate for County Superintendent of Public Instruction for York Co., S. C., is JAS. CANNELLER. If elected will stoutly keep in mind the duties of the office. Each day will find him in attendance. Vote for him!

AT THE STORE

Of A. O. Jones there has just been received a shipment of Cabbage, Potatoes (Irish and Sweet), both for planting and eating, Lemons, Oranges, Bananas. My reputation is that of carrying the choicest fruits brought to Fort Mill. This reputation I shall sustain.

A lot of medium grade pants, all sizes and weights, will be sold regardless of price. You would do well to see them before you buy.

A. O. JONES,

WE AIM

To excel in merchandising and that's why our store has become the trading headquarters of hundreds in this community during the past few years. Our idea of a mercantile establishment is that it should not only retain its old customers, but make new ones every day.

WE KNOW

That the special care involved in selecting our stock is appreciated by the trading public, and this, coupled with the fact that our prices are rock-bottom on everything, is the lever which is moving our business onward.

WE DO NOT

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THIS WEEK

We desire to call your attention to the famous LEAVEN which we are now offering. We sell Leaven. Probably we sell it to you. If so, you know all about how good it is and how far it is ahead of either baking soda or baking powder. If you haven't bought it, you should. Every package guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded.

Hughes & Young.

Bring us your country produce and get the highest market prices for it.

NOTICE.—There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy on Monday evening, April 23, at 3 o'clock at the Presbyterian manse.

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AND YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO WALK HOME.

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L. J. MASSEY.

P. S. Our "third crop" of Millinery has arrived. Don't fail to visit our new Millinery Room and note carefully our PRICES AND STYLES.

THE COMPANY STORE

Thanks all of its customers for past favors, and we beg to remind the public that we are

HEADQUARTERS FOR LOWEST CASH PRICES.

CASH BUYERS should come to the strictly CASH STORE for greatest bargains and best qualities.

Clearance Clothing Sale.

For the next 30 days we offer special cut price on suits to make room for our new stock.

MENS' SUITS, \$3 and upward, 10 per cent discount.

BOYS' SUITS, all prices, going at 10 per cent discount.

MENS' PANTS from 50 c. to \$4.50, worth 25 per cent more.

This is an opportunity you can not afford to miss if you want good clothing cheap.

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes.

Our Stock is Complete—Best Quality, Lowest Prices.

Our Shoes will wear well, because they are made of first-quality leather and by experienced workmen. Buy one pair and you will be a shoe customer for us.

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House-furnishing Goods,

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Our selection of suites is rich enough for the rich and cheap enough for the poorest.

We want your trade one and all and we are willing to pay for it, giving Better Values for your cash than you can get elsewhere, and offering to save you at least 10 per cent on Charlotte prices; and if we sell you a nice bill of goods we will refund your expenses in coming to see us. Yours for business on a fair-dealing basis.

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C. L. WROTON, General Manager.