

ABOUT COMETS.

Origin of the Name—Questions Answered about Heavenly Wanderers.

1. What is a comet? The astronomer, Simon Newcomb, says: "Comets (from Greek, kometes, having long hair) heavenly bodies of a kind wholly distinct from all others yet known, and in some points enveloped in a mystery which science has not been able to penetrate. The brighter comets consist of three parts: a nucleus, a coma and a tail. The nucleus is a star-like point of light. The coma is the cloudy light surrounding the star-like point. The tail is a train of light, generally fan shaped and always extending away from the sun."

2. How are comets named? Comets are named after the men who discovered them.

3. Who was Halley, about whom we read so much? He was an English astronomer born near London October 29, 1656.

4. When did he discover the comet which bears his name? In 1680.

5. How often does the comet appear? Its period ranges from 75 to 77 years.

6. When did it last appear? It appeared last in 1835.

7. When will it again appear? We can see this great comet at 2 o'clock on the morning of May 19 next. What a great privilege! But few men now living remember seeing Halley's comet when it last appeared in 1835.

8. What would be the result if this comet should strike the earth? The earth's history would be closed; all debts paid!

9. Is it at all probable that this comet will strike the earth? Yes.

10. What is the probability? It has one chance out of 281,000,000, so the astronomers tell us. They tell us that the world has existed many, many million years. It may be that this time it will strike the earth. The earth would then be a burning star.

11. Ordinarily, how near is this comet to us? 3,400,000,000 miles.

12. When we see it next May how near will we likely be to it? Fifty times the moon's distance from the earth. That is the calculation of astronomers. Yet there is a chance for it to strike the earth and it is well for all to be ready for any calamity that may be caused by the comet.

Her Destiny.

A young woman said she was born to be a farmer's wife because she engaged in milking when an infant, and took to cradling early. Later she often cut up and shocked her parents and filled her crib. At an early age she learned to sew, and she had cultivated her acquaintance with a young agriculturist, and as soon as she placed her affection she intended to "make hay while the sun was shining." This was too much for an impressive tiller of the soil, so he gathered her up in his arms and garnered her.—*Et.*

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Death of a Well Known Lady—Other Items of Local Interest.

Cades, March 1:—Mrs Lorena Dennis Hailey, wife of the late O C Hailey, and daughter of Mr and Mrs L W Dennis, of this place, died at the home of her parents Friday afternoon, February 25. A rather strange circumstance in connection with the Hailey family is two births and four deaths in eleven months and three days. Mrs Hailey was the last surviving member of her family as her husband and babies predeceased her some time ago. She was a consistent member of Cades Baptist church.

Deputy Sheriff Harrell of Florence was in town Saturday on business.

Mr B W McElveen and family have returned to Cades to make their home here, after living about two years in Florence.

Mr J L Covington, a prominent farmer from the Single section, was in town Monday on business.

Mrs H J Brown is ill at her home on Main street. Her friends hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs G L Sauls of Lake City visited relatives in town Monday.

Mr J N Floyd, a prominent merchant of Cades, went to Kingstree on business Monday.

Regular services were held at the Methodist church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock by the pastor, Rev J R Sojourner.

Mr J M Rodgers went to Florence on business Tuesday.

The Cades Graded school is in a flourishing condition under the management of the efficient teachers, Misses Mamie McLees and Ola McElveen.

There has been a quantity of fertilizers hauled from Cades this season. Farmers in general are expecting to make large crops this year.

Messrs J J and R F Epps, progressive farmers of this vicinity, and Mr V E Strong, a leading business man of Cades, are attending court this week at Kingstree as jurymen.

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