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**COTTON-ANDREWS**  
**Two of Our Popular Young People Pledge Their Faith in Wedlock.**

Throughout the festive season of Christmas ran a tremor of excitement among the finishe of the younger set of Scotland Neck in anticipation of an event of importance which culminated in the solemn vows of two of the members of this community, both of whom had spent their lives in this section, each known to every resident for many miles around, therefore the old year was suitably ushered out by the imposing ceremonial of marriage between Miss Cleve Oberia Andrews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Andrews and Mr. Joseph Whitnel Cotton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Cotton, at the Baptist church, Rev. R. A. McFarland officiating.

The church was crowded to capacity, and promptly at six thirty Miss Dicie Howell, the noted soprano, accompanied by Miss Hattie Leggett on the organ, rendered a solo from DeKoven "I love you so" following which she gave a selection by Cadman "Where are you."

The pastor having taken his station beneath the beautifully decorated pealed forth the joyful wedding march "Lohengrin" and the ushers, Misses Kate Condry, Dorothy Dunn, Lucille Kitchin and Lucille Leggett advanced slowly up the aisle. Then came the six bridesmaids, Misses Mary White, Emma Purvis, Josephine Henly, Maude Leggett, Louise Josey and Bessie Gray, crossing at the altar, and the groomsmen followed in the following order, Messrs Lester Cherry, Key Brown, W. H. Kitchin, Harry Lee McDowell, Jack Riddick and Newsom Riddick.

The brides of honor, Mesdames Clarence B. Riddick and R. George Shackell then took their stations at the side of the pastor, and the maid of honor, Miss Will Andrews, sister of the bride preceded the pages, Messrs C. B. and Albert Riddick, to the altar.

The bride, leaning on the arm of her father, Mr. George W. Andrews, advanced slowly, the groom, accompanied by his best man, Mr. Ernest Morrisett, met them at the altar. Very impressive were the words of the pastor who had known the participating parties for many years, and there were few present who did not feel deeply the solemn importance of the "tie that binds" as the Rev. McFarland uttered the chosen words that made them man and wife.

Immediately thereafter the recessional gave forth the joyous sounds that caused the heart to beat with hope and thanksgiving that these two had embarked upon the sea that should bring them joy and blessing, and as the bride passed up the aisle upon the arm of her father, for richer or poorer many a lip trembled as a prayer for guidance for this pair was asked.

Maid and beaus followed in quick succession, in fact too quickly indeed for those interested to take in a full understanding of the gowns that each participant had devoted so much attention to during the past few weeks.

What did the bride wear, and how did she look?  
 Charming indeed was Cleve Andrews, now Mrs. J. W. Cotton, and clad in shining white as is due a bride, whose reign as belle of the community demanded.  
 Ivory satin was the gown, and trimmed in pearly and pearls, and in keeping with her serene and peerless countenance there trailed behind a train that courts have bowed before. Veil, yes, and though this to an ignorant mind but hid the features of her queenly face, and yet strictly au fait, this veil extended from her brow to the hem of her garment, surmounted, as was justly right, by the fairest of flowers, the lily of the valley, and gathered with the pearls of jems, a sweet cent of pearls. Bossoms are a bride's prerogative and so a shower of brides roses and lily of the valley were carried.

With the advent of the bride one would have thought that the scene was closed, but not in this section of the old North State for the women here are noted for grace and beauty, so that the least of those in attendance elicited more than ordinary attention.

The pages attended their duties with more than ordinary care, arranging the brides train with particular attention. Then came the maid of honor on the arm of the best man. She wearing a graceful gown of charmause in a delicate shade of yellow, the same being veiled with chiffon setting off her dark beauty with a veil of delicate tint, and in her arms she carried a bouquet of yellow roses.

The brides of honor were attended in blue crepe de chine with over-drapings of pink chiffon and lace, ornamented with pearls and crystals, and trimmed, each carrying a shower of enchantment carnations.

The six bridesmaids were gowned alike in white crepe de chine with touches of pink in like material, large pink butterflies decorating their hair, and each carrying a full muff of pink chiffon.  
 White was the costume for each of

the four ushers, and with the blue wand each carried they looked very dainty indeed.  
 Cars were in waiting for the wedding party who were conveyed immediately to the residence of Mrs. Susie Gray where a reception was held, the guests staying until a late hour, though the bride and groom and a few of the out-of-town guests were carried to Palmyra to connect with the southbound train. The bridal couple will spend some time in the south and later return to Scotland Neck.

The bride's traveling costume was of dark brown cloth, tailor made, outlined in sapphire blue, and waist of brown chiffon. A very stunning effect was shown by this combination.  
 Miss Dicie Howell entertained the wedding party, and about seventy-five invited guests, very elaborately at her home on the eve of the wedding, those taking part of the wedding being in the receiving line. Mrs. Susie Gray met the guests at the door and Miss Howell received them, after which they were ushered into the front room where they were greeted with the honor guests, then to the punch bowl, presided over by Miss Anna Kitchin, and to the dining room where a salad course had been prepared, the sandwiches being tied with a lucky china shoe which each guest was pleased to keep as a token.

Mrs. A. M. Riddick served coffee in the hall.  
 Saturday last the Misses Leggett gave a morning reception in honor of the bride, at which a large crowd attended. Book was the game provided and many participated. The winner of the prize presented the same to the bride.

**Miss Gray Entertains.**  
 Wednesday night, December 31st, from 8:30 till 12:00 Miss Fannie Gray entertained at her beautiful home on Tenth street in honor of Misses Ella Lee Wright and Stella Phillips, of Washington. After all the guests had arrived and progressed rook and other games had been enjoyed for quite awhile the guests were requested to draw for partners in a guessing contest.

When the cards were gathered together the judges found that Miss Irene Whitehead and Mr. Richard House had secured the highest score and were consequently the winners of the prize offered in this contest.

The prize was a gold bar pin with the year 1914 engraved on it.  
 It was presented to Miss Stella Phillips by the winners.  
 Just after this contest the guests repaired to the dining room where a delicious salad course followed by cream was served.

After some time spent in merry converse the gentlemen were requested to draw for partners in another contest consisting of naming successfully of only the illustrated part of twenty-six advertisements. Much speculation concerning what the different illustrations stood for kept the party gay for quite awhile and interest ran high as to who would be the successful contestant.  
 After looking over the different papers it was found that Mr. R. H. Marston with Miss Gertrude Whitehead and Mr. H. M. Hilliard with Miss Sallie Mae Josey had both turned in perfect scores.  
 The prize was then drawn for by the two successful couples and it was found that Mr. Hilliard and Miss Josey were the successful ones. This prize also was a gold bar pin with the number 1914 engraved on it and was presented to Miss Ella Lee Wright by the successful contestants.  
 After waiting for the death of the old year and the birth of the new the guests departed all singing their hostesses praises in many happy good wishes for the New Year which she started so pleasantly for them.

**Social Gathering.**

On Thursday evening, January 1, the Philathea Class of the Baptist church held a social meeting in the class room. Some business was transacted and a pleasant social hour followed. A weighing contest was an amusing feature, Miss Irene Whitehead being the winner of the prize, a dainty box of candy. The presence of a number of college girls at home for the holidays helped make the occasion a success.

**The Changes.**

We give below some of the changes that took place in our town with the New Year: Mr. C. E. Drake changes from Edwards & Co., as book-keeper; Mr. E. W. Hyman takes the place made vacant with Edwards; Mr. A. L. Sumrell changes to R. C. Josey & Co., Messrs Win. Alexander, of Chase City, Va., and J. W. Perry, of Colerain, are with M. Hoffman & Bro., taking the place of A. W. Futrell and R. D. Harrell.

Mr. B. S. Courtney goes from R. C. Josey & Co. to Williamston to enter the furniture business.  
 Mr. D. E. Josey is with the Josey Hardware Co.  
 Mr. Jos. W. Cotton has left White & Paull and will farm and merchandise on the river.

**Executor's Notice.**

Having qualified as executor of the will of Talitha Harrell, late of Halifax county, this is to notify all persons having claims against her estate to present them to me at once. If not presented in one year from date, this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.  
 This 6th January 1914.  
 W. G. HEDGEPEETH,  
 Executor of Talitha Harrell, dec'd.  
 Hobgood, N. C. 1-8-6t

**Wedding of Miss Laura Alice Robert and Mr. James L. Dunn.**

The wedding of Miss Laura Alice Robert and Mr. James Leonrias Dunn was an impressively beautiful event of this afternoon, occurring at Christ Episcopal church at 4 o'clock, Rev. John S. Bunting officiating.

An elegant simplicity marked all details of the ceremony. The dignified beauty of the handsome church lent itself to the bridal decorations in a lovely manner. Palms, ferns and smilax softened the artistic sternness of the architecture and formed a pretty background for the wedding party. Quantities of pink carnations were used in tall vases, and hundreds of fragrant narcissi were mingled with the palms and ferns. The spacious church was well filled with friends and relatives of the contracting parties, and as the great organ, under the skillful touch of the organist, pealed forth the bridal music, the party arrived at the church and marching down the central aisle, formed a beautiful group before the flour-banked chancel.

The dainty little ribbon bearers preceded the bridal party down the aisle, little Miss Martha Wright Nisbet and Master Powell Yates. Little Miss Nisbet wore the daintiest of frocks, fashioned of pink crepe de chine, hand embroidered in exquisite design, and trimmed in lace. A fluffy butterfly bow of ribbon on her hair completed the pretty costume. Little Powell Yates wore a white satin suit.

Following the ribbon bearers, the ushers advanced in pairs, Fabrian Agrell and Hubert Hawthorne coming first, followed by Ernest Simms and Tom Fielder.

Miss Sara Burdick, bridesmaid, came next with Ray Boyett, groomsmen. Miss Burdick wore an exquisite gown of white lace, made with draped effect, and trimmed with bands of lace. She wore a black picture hat trimmed in pink rosebuds, and carried an armful of Killarney roses.

Miss Fannie Robert, maid of honor, then advanced to the altar. She was gowned in a dress of white shadow lace, made with wired tunic, and carried a lovely bouquet of Killarney roses. A black picture hat with trimmings of pink rosebuds completed the pretty costume.

Next came the bride, Miss Laura Alice Robert, who entered on the arm of her father, Mr. Harry Robert. She was met at the altar by the groom, Mr. James Dunn, who advanced from the vestry room with his best man, Mr. Harry Dunn. The ceremony was read by Rev. John Bunting, and the exquisite and impressive music was rendered by the organist.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Dunn left for an extended eastern tour.

The bride was costumed in a smart traveling suit of peacock blue. She wore a tailored black hat trimmed in peacock blue ostrich tips. Her corsage bouquet was of white valley lilies.

The bride is a pretty blonde of vicious and charming manner, and has scores of friends throughout the State who are cordially interested in her marriage. She has been delightfully entertained prior to her marriage, and upon her return will be the recipient of many lovely affairs.

The out-of-town guests attending the wedding are Mrs. George Hunter, of Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. C. F. Agrell, of Augusta; Miss Susie Robert, of Augusta; Mrs. E. R. Beckwith, of Atlanta, Fabian Agrell, of Augusta; Ernest Simms, of Augusta; Harry Dunn, of Scotland Neck, N. C., and Ray Boyett, of North Carolina.

Itching, torturing skin eruptions disappear, annoy, drive one wild. Doan's Ointment is praised for its good work. 50c at all drug stores.

**A Delightful Entertainment.**

On Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Shields delightfully entertained a number of their young friends in honor of Miss Kate Tillery. Their lovely home "Marston," about six miles from town was hospitably thrown open and as the guest arrived they were given a most cordial welcome. Progressive games were played, the prize, a beautiful copy of Lowell's "Vision or Sir Launfal," being awarded Miss Lucille Leggett. The guests gathered about the huge wood fires, then spent some time in pleasant conversation, after which delightful refreshments were served. Practically all the young people who had returned from college for the holidays were there and they joined with all the others in declaring it to be one of the most pleasant social events of the season.

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**MARRIAGES**

**RAMPO-WILLIAMS.**  
 On December 24th, Christmas eve, Mr. George W. Rampo and Miss Jesse Williams were quietly married by Rev. R. A. McFarland at the Baptist parsonage. Mr. Rampo is of Pennsylvania, and has been living here for only a few months. Mr. and Mrs. Rampo will reside in Scotland Neck.

**COPPEDGE-NEWSOM.**  
 At 3:30 o'clock on the afternoon of December 24, in the parlor of the Baptist parsonage, Mr. John T. Coppedge and Miss Nettie B. Newsom were united in marriage by Rev. R. A. McFarland. The ceremony was witnessed by a group of the friends and relatives of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Coppedge will make Scotland Neck their home.

**BAKER-HEDGEPEETH.**  
 Mr. Jim Baker and Miss Emma Hedgepeeth were married at the Baker home in East Scotland Neck at 4:30 o'clock on the afternoon of December 24. The marriage was solemnized by Rev. R. A. McFarland. Quite a crowd of relatives and friends witnessed the marriage and wished for the happy couple a long and happy life.

**COOK-NEWSOM.**  
 On Sunday, December 28th, the Baptist parsonage was the scene of another marriage and Rev. R. A. McFarland was again the celebrant. The contracting parties were Mr. Bruce C. Cook and Miss Blanche M. Newsom. Mr. and Mrs. Cook are both of Scotland Neck and will continue to make this town their home.

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WE greatly appreciate and thank you for the favors you have accorded us during the year just closed, and assure you that we will earnestly endeavor to merit a continuance of pleasant relations.

SINCERELY wishing you a full measure of happiness and prosperity in the New Year,  
 Yours truly

**Hardy Hardware Comp'ny**

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**BIG CUT IN PRICES**  
**10 DAYS ONLY**  
**Begin JAN. 15, End JAN. 26**  
**FREE - \$50.00 In Cash - FREE**

We are not only going to give you Big Cut in Prices but will give away \$5.00 in cash each day during the sale. Come in and get your part.  
 Your chance to get new first class goods at prices that will astonish you.  
 It is our custom to begin taking inventory Feb. 1st, and we wish to reduce our large stock as much as possible and we will cut the prices regardless of cost to us.  
 All goods in this sale will be tagged and marked in plain figures. This space is too limited to name all the articles on which the price has been reduced, so we will mention only a few:

**1 Dozen Cook Stoves in this Sale at \$5.49**

<b>Children's Coats</b>		<b>Ladies' Coat Suits</b>	
4.00 to 9.00 Coats	\$3.48	12.50 to 18.00 Suits	\$7.98
		18.00 to 35.00 Suits	\$9.98
<b>Ladies' Coats</b>		<b>All Men's and Boys' Suits at Half Price</b>	
15.00 Coats, (only three left.)	\$5.98	<b>All Men and Boys' Hats and Caps at Less Than Cost (Except Stetsons)</b>	
<b>Woolen Dress Goods Less than Cost</b>		<b>Big Lot of Men's Shoes in This Sale</b>	
18c to 25c Galatea and Mercerized Whipcord	13 1-2c	50c Men's Fleece and Ribbed Underwear	41c
25c French Ratine, Cordurette, Silk Finish Dundee Poplins	19c	A few Iron Beds with Springs, Sale price	\$1.98
50c Ladies' Underwear, Fleece, Flat Thread and Ribbed	41c	5 sets of 16.50 Buggy Harness. Sale price	\$9.98
25c Ladies' Underwear, Fleece, Bleached and Unbleached	21c	20.00 Hat Rack	\$11.49
1 Bale 4-4 Sheeting worth 10c for	6 7-8c	25.00 Hat Rack	\$14.49
10 and 12 1-2c Outing, solid and fancy	8 1-2c	18.00 Sideboard	\$12.98
		40.00 Sideboard	\$23.00
		40.00 Buffet	\$23.00
		50.00 Buffet	\$34.50
		One 60.00 3 piece Bed Room Suit	\$41.50
		One 50.00 3 " " " "	\$31.50
		Two 10.00 Go-Carts	\$5.49

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