

The Lexington Gazette

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 2, 1911

The Coming and Going of People You Know

Col. John S. Mosby of Washington, D. C., the leader of Mosby's rangers during the Civil War, is a visitor in Lexington today.

Miss Mae Beeton is visiting friends at Lovingson, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross F. Gillock are visiting relatives in Roanoke.

Mr. L. D. Hamric and family have gone to Kansas to make their home.

Miss Gertrude Ettinger is visiting friends in Staunton this week.

Miss M. Kate Varner left Monday for Norfolk to spend a month with friends.

Mr. John G. Pole of Pocahontas, Va., is visiting his brother, Mr. Charles Pole.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Cleveland Davis have gone to Williamsburg to spend their vacation with relatives.

Miss Rosa Quisenberry of Welch, W. Va., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Quisenberry.

Miss Nellie Bodell has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. R. Briley Wickes of New Market, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. McClung have returned from Augusta county where they spent a month visiting relatives.

Mr. D. B. Foltz of Rappahannock county, spent several days in Lexington last week the guest of Mr. Walter E. Quisenberry.

Mr. M. Sam Goldman was a visitor to friends in Roanoke the past week, and Mrs. Goldman visited relatives in Baltimore.

Master James Robinson shot himself in the foot yesterday at Rockbridge Alum Springs. The wound is painful though not serious.

Miss Alice McChesney of Charleston, W. Va., spent the past ten days in Lexington visiting her aunt, Mrs. John Witnrow on Main street.

Mr. Mason C. Deaver left a few days ago to spend a few weeks visiting relatives in Knoxville, Tenn., and other points in the South.

Mr. Albert Straley Holtz of Charlottesville, has joined his wife in Lexington who is visiting her parents, Captain and Mrs. W. F. Pierson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dickey of Sweetwater, Tenn., passed through Lexington today to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Engleman on Kerr's Creek.

Mrs. Lamotte Smoker left Lexington this week to visit Richmond, Philadelphia and New York. She is accompanied by her sister, Miss Elsie Ebeling.

Mrs. John W. Board of Covington, and Mrs. O. C. Brewer of Polaski, are visiting their mother, Mrs. Margaret S. Hamphris, who continues quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Weinberg returned to Lexington Sunday evening from an automobile trip of a few days to Roanoke. They were accompanied home by Miss Jeanette Forman who is their guest.

Dr. D. B. Easter of Washington and Lee University, will occupy the pulpit of Trinity Methodist church next Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Murray D. Mitchell, and Rev. G. W. Moore of Ellistown will preach Sunday, the 13th.

Rev. and Mrs. James E. Booker of Raleigh, N. C., have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Sophie Graham, to Dr. Andrew Dickson Packer of New York, the ceremony to take place Wednesday, August 16th, at 6.30 p. m.

Rev. Murray D. Mitchell left this morning for Wesley Grove, Md., to attend the annual Methodist camp meeting held at that place. He will preach the communion sermon tomorrow morning and also Sunday morning next. Mr. Mitchell will be absent two Sundays. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Anna Lind Mitchell.

Rev. Dr. Charles Manly, accompanied by Mrs. Manly, left Monday for a visit to South Carolina. Dr. George B. Eager of Louisville, Ky., will preach at the Lexington Baptist church the two Sundays he is absent. While absent Dr. Manly will next Sunday preach the dedicatory sermon of a new Baptist church at Belton, S. C., where he was formerly pastor, and will conduct a meeting at that church for several days. He will also visit Greenville, S. C., before returning home.

RED LIQUOR AND A PISTOL

Joe Hinton Charged With Killing Herbert Pleasants

The quietness of early Sunday morning was disturbed at Rockbridge Baths by the report of a tragedy at Gospel Hill Methodist church (colored), where a church festival was held Saturday night last. A deadly pistol in the hands of a drinking negro resulted in the murder of an inoffensive and respected colored man. Joe Hinton of Lexington, a negro of unsavory reputation, who has a record in the courts of the town, is charged with shooting to death Herbert Pleasants of the Rockbridge Baths neighborhood, a negro held in high esteem by both white and colored.

From the evidence at the coroner's inquest, held Sunday morning near the church, where the killing occurred, it appears that a church festival was held at Gospel Hill church, to which were attracted large numbers of colored people, not only from the immediate neighborhood but from Lexington, Brownsburg, Timber Ridge and other sections of the county. Among the Lexington contingent was Joe Hinton, who seems to have fortified himself with red liquor and was prepared to have a big time. Arrived on the grounds he forthwith proceeded to terrorize the gathering by brandishing his pistol and firing a few shots. Some of the men desired to get rid of such an unwelcome visitor and stones were thrown at the Lexington sport, some of the missiles taking effect. One especially marred the facial expression of the would-be bully, and others came in sudden contact with the body of Hinton.

At about one hour past midnight, while the crowd was getting ready to leave, many having already gone, some one threw a stone and struck Hinton while he was engaged in lending assistance to a woman who appeared to have imbibed too freely of some intoxicant. Hinton arose and looked through the darkness for the man who had struck him. His eyes lighting on Herbert Pleasants, who was near by and getting his horse and buggy ready preparatory to leaving, the Lexingtonian at once suspected that he was the offender. He pulled his pistol, a long 38-calibre, and fired, accompanying the shot with an oath and "I've got you now." Pleasants fell, unnoticed by any one, pierced through the forehead. Later he was found dead and Justice H. A. Wilson was notified. He summoned Deputy Sheriff J. W. Weeks, who reached the scene about daylight.

A jury was summoned and an inquest held over the dead body of Pleasants. The jurors were C. M. Shewey, Hugh Adams, W. S. McCurdy, Jno. M. Gibson, J. H. Kirkpatrick, J. T. Snider and Dr. H. R. Morrison, with Justice Wilson acting coroner.

The witnesses were Sidney Pleasants, W. E. Kier, Lizzie Miller, Charles Sitlington, Eliza Kier, Rev. J. R. Davis, George Johnson and Mathew Henderson.

The jury brought in a verdict that Herbert Pleasants came to his death from a pistol shot wound at the hands of Joe Hinton, and Hinton was sent to jail in Lexington to await the grand jury.

Dr. Howe Died in Newburyport

Dr. Jas. Lewis Howe of Washington and Lee University, was summoned to Newburyport, Mass., Thursday last on account of the serious condition of his father, Dr. Francis A. Howe, for many years a prominent physician of that place. He died Friday morning, aged 84 years.

Dr. Howe graduated from Amherst College in 1848, and from Harvard Medical College in 1854. He was a public-spirited citizen and served as alderman, member school board, and for years was president of Anna Jaques hospital association.

Dr. Howe leaves one daughter Miss Edith M. Howe of Newburyport, one son, Dr. Jas. Lewis Howe of Lexington, and one sister, Mrs. Harriet H. Walworth of Newburyport.

Dry Weather Prevails

From various sections of the State and country come reports of drouth. A water famine exists in some cities. While Rockbridge has not had an average season yet some sections of the county have had fairly good season. In other sections the drouth has been and still is serious.

A good shower fell here Monday afternoon, which greatly refreshed vegetation, and a light shower fell last evening.

Methodist District Conference at Trinity Church

The Roanoke District Methodist Conference held with Trinity Methodist congregation last week, closed Thursday night, with an address by Rev. J. H. Light, D. D., editor of "The Virginia Issue," of Richmond, formerly pastor of the Lexington church.

Dr. Light made a forceful address for the cause of temperance, and declared all forms of legalized sale of liquor to be bad, and the worst is the dispensary, for one reason, that it involves every citizen as a participant in and a beneficiary of the liquor traffic. He declared State-wide prohibition the only cure for the drink evil. Dr. Light gave a striking illustration of the activity of liquor dealers by presenting to his audience two rolls of advertising clippings which he had cut from Richmond papers. One roll was from the Sunday issue of a morning paper and measured seven and one-half yards long, column wide. The other roll was from the columns of an afternoon paper, an industrial issue, and measured fourteen and one-half yards long, column wide. Just previous to his address Dr. Light called on the venerable James M. Senseney to sing his favorite song, "Palms of Victory."

At the beginning of Thursday afternoon's session a short meeting was held in the interest of the Layman's Missionary Movement, conducted by Judge E. D. Newman of Woodstock, leader for the Baltimore Conference. At this meeting Judge R. C. Jackson of Roanoke, was re-elected leader for the Roanoke District. The laymen pledged an additional thousand dollars by the district for the cause of missions. Judge Jackson delivered a strong address Wednesday night in the interest of this movement.

Thursday afternoon the following delegates were elected to the annual session of the Baltimore Conference to be held in Roanoke next April: W. H. Agnor, Lexington; H. H. Dickey, Christiansburg; T. T. Fishburne and Judge R. C. Jackson, Roanoke. Alternates: Judge P. V. Jones, New Castle; F. B. Thomas, Roanoke; W. R. Kennedy, Lexington; F. H. Chalmers, Salem.

The conference was largely attended, between 75 and 80 preachers, laymen and visitors being present. Dr. Carlton D. Harris, the genial editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist, and Rev. D. L. Blake, missionary secretary of the Baltimore Conference, both addressed the conference in the interest of their respective departments.

The members of the conference expressed themselves as highly pleased with their visit to Lexington, and many of them availed themselves of this opportunity to visit the numerous points of interest in the town.

Memorial by Baptist Church

The Baptist congregation of Lexington on July 13th adopted a memorial in honor of Dr. James B. Taylor, their former pastor, and the following notice was published in the Religious Herald of Richmond of last week:

"As a simple but sincere token of the honor due to the memory of Rev. James B. Taylor, D. D., who finished his course in Richmond the 29th of June, we desire to record our appreciation of his faithful, wise and affectionate service of this church as pastor from January, 1884, to June, 1891, which resulted in the conversion of many and in the substantial strengthening of all our work in the community and for the cause of Christ at large.

"To his bereaved family we tender our heartfelt sympathy in the loss they have sustained, and we assure them of our prayer that they may be enriched with everlasting consolation and good hope through grace."

At the Churches Sunday

Regular services were held in the Lexington churches Sunday last, except the R. E. Lee Memorial Episcopal church, with sermons by the pastors. The Presbyterian congregation worshiped on the lawn at the manse in the afternoon.

A number of additions to church membership Sunday resulted from the recent meeting, together with others who joined by letter. At the Baptist church there were 32, at the Presbyterian 20 and at the Methodist 15 in the morning and one at night.

Moore & Moore have sold the Ruffner farm on Buffalo, 5 1/2 miles southwest of Lexington, to William Zellman for \$10,000.

Mr. Landis Who Died in Detroit Buried in Lexington

The funeral of Mr. Edwin Carter Landis, who died in Detroit, Mich., Wednesday night last, July 26th, was held Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock from the home of Mr. Frank T. Glasgow on White street, conducted by Rev. Dr. Alfred T. Graham, followed by interment in the Lexington cemetery.

Mr. Landis had been confined to a hospital in Detroit for some time, and underwent an operation for what was supposed to be appendicitis, but was found to be an abscess. His condition was favorable, and his death was a surprise to his friends. News of his serious illness was received in Lexington Wednesday morning by his wife who has been spending the summer here with her infant daughter at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Glasgow. Mrs. Landis and Mrs. Glasgow started that afternoon for Detroit, but received news in Cincinnati of Mr. Landis' death. They waited in that city until the body, accompanied by Mr. Landis' father, arrived on its way to Lexington for burial. The mother and sister of deceased, Mrs. Landis and Miss Lucille Landis, joined them at Cincinnati and accompanied the remains to Lexington. Mr. Glasgow who was at the Sweet Chalybeate joined the party at Alleghany.

Mr. Landis was aged 27 years, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Abb Landis of Nashville, Tenn. He was educated at Washington and Lee University, graduating with the degree of A. B. in 1905. He married Miss Nellie Glasgow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Glasgow of Lexington in May, 1909. He held a responsible position with a Detroit manufacturing concern, and was a young man of fine business qualities, as well as of moral worth and mental endowments.

His wife and an infant daughter survive; also his parents and one sister.

Miss Margaret G. Robinson Dead

Miss Margaret Graham Robinson died in Lexington yesterday morning, August 1, 1911, after an illness of some length. She arrived in Lexington about a month ago from Asheville, N.C., where she was under hospital treatment.

Miss Robinson was a daughter of the late Samuel C. Robinson. Her mother was Miss Margaret Graham, daughter of the late Dr. Archibald Graham. Three brothers and two sisters survive. They are Messrs. Graham Robinson, Edward T. Robinson and P. R. Robinson, and Mrs. J. H. Pratt and Mrs. N. C. White.

The funeral took place at 5 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. P. Frank Price, followed by interment in the Lexington cemetery.

For Temperance Betterment

A number of gentlemen of the community met with Dr. Alfred T. Graham at his study Monday afternoon, in response to his invitation, to discuss plans for improvement in the town along temperance lines. After a conference it was determined to hold another meeting early in September, at which time definite action will be decided on.

Rev. Dr. P. Frank Price of the Presbyterian mission in China, who is at home on a furlough, has arrived in Lexington for the month of August, and his family is occupying the home of the late Miss Davidson on Main street. Dr. Price will fill the pulpit of the Presbyterian church during the month.

Beechenbrook Sunday school held their picnic yesterday, y on the island at East Lexington. A large crowd was present and plenty of good things to eat. A baseball game was played, East Lexington defeating Timber Ridge 11 to 8.

In the local option election in Staunton yesterday the "wets" won by a majority of 103. There were 1,484 votes cast. Two years ago the "drys" won by 20 votes, and four years ago the "wets" carried by 24 votes.

Rev. Dr. Alfred T. Graham accompanied the boys of the Covenanters of the Presbyterian church this morning up North river at Copper's, where they will enjoy camp life for a few weeks.

Lexington Produce Market.

Lexington, Va., August 2, 1911	
Flour—Extra.....	\$4.75@5.25
New Wheat.....	80
Meal.....	80
Corn.....	75
Butter.....	17
Eggs.....	15
Chickens.....	15
Hens.....	10

Summer Specials

WE OFFER THIS WEEK

- 2 Silk Dresses at \$10.00 worth \$15.00.
 - 1 Silk Dress at \$8.00 worth \$12.50.
 - 5 Linen Suits at \$7.50 worth \$10.00.
 - 1 White Serge Skirt at \$6.50 worth \$10.00.
 - 2 White Serge Shirts at \$5.00 worth \$7.50.
 - 3 White Serge Skirts at \$3.75 worth \$5.00.
 - 5 White Sailor Wash Suits at \$2.00 worth \$3.00.
 - 7 White Sailor Wash Suits at \$3.75 worth \$5.00.
- This will clean up our Suit Stock.
- Also offer one lot of Figured Lawns at 8 cents, worth 10, 12 1/2 and 15 cents.

Will also give special prices on all Low Neck Shirt Waists. If I find other odds and ends in stock will make a price on them, but my summer stock is well cleaned up.

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We have just received another lot of those good

"Queen Undermuslins"

That should be interesting to every woman in the community. Prices are from 25 cents each upward.

The new Style Book of the AMERICAN LADIES' TAILORING COMPANY has just come to hand. It contains over 250 designs of the newest materials for

Fall Suits and Coats

We take your measure and have the garments made up in any style you select. We guarantee entire satisfaction in fit, quality and make up, and deliver garment in two weeks or forfeit ten per cent. You will find no more stylish garments anywhere, and the moderate prices will be a pleasant surprise.

Next Monday, August 7th, we will have a special sale of SILKS to continue throughout the week. It will pay to inspect the values we will offer.

We are closing out all LAWNS at greatly reduced prices.

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