No report from the Asheville Asylum this week.

#### NO OBLIGATION.

If the Lord has done nothing for you, then you are under no obligation to help his creatures. But if the Lord has been good to you, be good, and do good to his needy and suffering poor. It freely you have received, then freely give.

#### THAT QUARTER.

J. A. Harrell has sent twenty five cents for some poor little We gave the money to a little girl who has no father, no mother, only one little brother to love her, and he is a poor little boy, and intends to help her when he learns his trade.

HARD TIMES.

The love have any boyd when the stars ship above with the real and on the call of abstraction and thought, gather the treasures which therein abound, label and lay them all up with our store. We labor with zeal all the morning away, And think of those dear old places no more But, Oh! at the end, at the end of the day, when the stars ship above with their silvery Fav.

Yes, times are hard upon the Orphans, as well as others. Perhaps the Lord is not doing so much for you as he did in other days, and He may be trying to divert your attention from yourself to his poor.

"As ye did it unto these Ye have done it unto me."

The usual conflcting rumors are current at this season in the West concerning the crops. The wheat crop in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa is reported to have suffered very severely, whilst other reports represent it as firstrate in some portions of those States, and attribute the unfovorable reports to a concerted plan of the holders of wheat to enable them to unload.

The man who lives in vain lives worse than in vain. He who lives to no purpose, lives to a bad purpose.

A. T. Stewart was saving in little things. He always picked up every pin he saw, especially if it was a bent one which was placed in his chair.

Webster said :--"It we work upon marble it will perish; if upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble in dust: but if we work upon our immortal minds-if we imbue them with principles, with the just fear of God and love to our fellow men-we engrave on these tablets, something which will brighten through all eternity."

That every day has its pains and sorrows is universally experienced, and almost universally confessed; but let us not attend only to mournful truths; if we look impartially about us, we shall find that every day has likewise its pleasures and its joys.

#### WE TURN BACK TO HOME.

Full often we wander from home and our

friends;
Forsake all the scenes of our earlier days,
And strike a bold cold course for some glorious end
That lies just ahead in the world's broader

ways.

Intent on our purpose, and looking before,
We labor the whole of the morning away,
And think of those dear old places no more.
But Oh! at the end, at the end of the day,
When the stars shine above with their silvery

How our hearts turn us back to our homes away!

We deem it a pleasure to travel abroad,
To view the magnificent wonders of earth—
The wonders of man and the wonders of God,
The beauties which sprang at creation's own
bish

birth.

Intent on our purpose the world to explore,
We wander, and wander the morning away
And think of those dear old places no more.
But Oh! at the end, at the end of the day,
When the stars shine above with their silvery

ray, How our hearts turn us back to our homes

We feel it a duty to preach to the world; To travel for Christ in some nation afar,

To travel for Carist in some nation afar, Where darkness and gloom, like a banner unfarled,
Lie fold upon fold in the sin-burdened air.
We go, and with zeal, to that far distant shore,
And think of those dear old places no more.
But Oh! at the end, at the end of the day,
When the stars shine above with their silvery

ray, How our hearts turn us back to our home

We count it a joy to be found in the place Where science dispenses her bountiful store, To fit us with strength, and with skill for the

race
That reaches far on to eternity's shore,
Intent on our purp se of gathering lore,
We study with vim all the morning away,
And think of those dear old places no more.
But Oh! at the end, at the end of the day,
When the stars shine above with their silvery

ray, our hearts turn us back to our home away!

We work the same fields in which others have wrought,
We find the same treasures that others have

ray,
How our hearts turn us back to our homes away!

We read in the records, of things that are pass-

ed,
The motives and actions of nations and men;
And study the future and lights that are cast
From headlands and peaks, in the busy life

then,
As they stand in relief on that earlier shore.
We grow all enthused as we labor away,
And think of those dear old places no more.
But Oh! at the end, at the end of the day,
When the stars shine above with their silvery

ray,
How our hearts turn us back to our homes
away!

Oh! bright be the day on memory's page That led us from home to our fields away; As bright as our youth, may the joys of our age Go on and increase to the end of the day— Point onward and upward, but backward no

more.
And then, at the end, when our eyes turn away From works to rewards, on that other brigh

! at the end, at the end of the day, May the light shine above with a glorious ray. And our souls pass beyond to our homes away

#### DIED.

At the Oxford Orphan House last Thursday evening at 9 p. m. little Hezekiah Strickland of Duplin. He had been in declining health for several weeks, though was confined to his bed only a few days. On Friday afternoon the funeral services were performed by Rev. R. H. Marsh. He was universally beloved by teachers and children, and by his death a gloom of sadness is cast over the whole household, but we know it is his infinite gain and can say, "He doeth all thingswell."

All his tears are wiped away, His night of sorrow ended; His a glorious perfect day,
His voice with angels blended.

Contributions to the Orphan Asylum at Oxford for the week ending July 25th 1876.

IN CASH.

Paid \$10.00, Kilwinning Lodge No 64. 11.00, Orphaus' Friend. 5.00, Charity Lodge No 5.

4.50, Warren Lodge No 101. 4.73, Trap Hill Lodge No 346.

2.75, Wadesboro mite boxes.
1.00 each, H C Williamsion, Miss
Bettie Williams.

IN KIND.

H C Williams, 1 ham. Miss Bettie Williams, I ham. A J Duke, 1 ham. P H Fowler, I ham Elisha Cross, I ham. J D Goodman, I ham. A S Howell, 1 ham. Hardy Cross, 1 ham. A Edwards, I ham.
J R Cross, I ham. R J Marsh, 1 shoulder. S E Smith, 1 bundle goods. Mrs Isaac Dodd, 21 Antique hats.

Amis Deane, 1 bu wheat

T D Crawford & Co., 10 papers of seeds. N M Barrow, 2 bu meal. Nat L Brown, 1 barrel fish. The following persons hav

ORPHANS' FRIEND for one year:
Dr S P Widdo, R S Jordan, T J Sutton,
John Elliott, Mary E Sutton, Mrs Ann Parmer,
J C Cullipher, J A Harrell, W B & A B
Stronach, William J Haggard, Mrs Margaret A Thompson, Mrs V L Pendleton.

#### NOW READY.

The Charters, Seal, Secretary's Books, Treasurer's Books, the books of the Constitution and Ritual, prepared for subordinate Orphan Aid Societies, are now ready for delivery. Wherever the people think the orphan work can be promoted by such an organization, let them send \$5 and the books will be promptly furnished; but do not organize such a Society unless it is needed and has the prospect of a successful career.

## HOW CHILDREN ARE ADMIT-TED.

Very often the Superintendent hunts up poor and promising or-phans and informs them of the advantages offered at the Orphan Houses, and induces them to return with him. Generally it is best that he should see them before they start. When this is impracticable, a formal application should be made by some friend. Here is one in proper form:

Edenton, N. C. June 2d, 1876.

This is to certify that Susan N. Bradshaw is an orphan, without estate, sound in body and mind, and ten years of age. Her father died in 1873; her mother in 1867. I being her Aunt, hereby make application for her admission into the Asylum at Oxford. I also relinquish and convey to the officers of the Asylum the management and control of the said orphan for four years, in order that she may be trained and educated according to the regulations prescribed by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Martha Scott. Approved bg

John Thompson, W. M. of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7.

The application should be sent to the Superintendent and he will either go for the children, or provide for their transportation. no case should a community take up a collection to send a man with the children, nor send the children before the Superintendent has been consulted.

#### THE LEGISLATURE AND THE ORPHANS.

Correspondents so often ask what the Legislature has done for the orphans, that we find it necessary to keep a standing answer to the inquiry. The Constitution of North Carolina says:

'There shall also, as soon as practicable, be measures devised by the State for the establishment of one or more Orphan Houses, where destitute orphans may be cared for, educated and taught

some business or trade.' Every member of the Legislature, before taking his seat, solennly swears, "that he will support the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, and will faithfully discharge his duty as a member of the Scuate, or House of Representatives."

Both political parties have been in power since the present Constitution was adopted, and the only appropriation made to the orphan work was the gift of the crape used at the funeral of Govenor Caldwell.

#### Resolutions of the Grand Lodge

Adopted Dec. 3d, 1875.

Resolved, 1. That St. John's College shall be made an asylum for the protection, training and education of indigent orphan chil-

2. That this Grand Lodge will appropriate S-annually for the support of the institution; but

will not assume any additional pecuniary responsibility.

3. That this Grand Lodge elect a Superintendent who shall control the institution and solicit contributions for its support from all

classes of our people.
4. That orphan children in the said Asylum shall receive such preparatory training and education as will prepare them for useful occupations and for the usual business transactions of life.

Adopted Dec. 5th 1875:

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the said Orphan Asylum shall report at each Annual Communication an account of his official acts, receipts, disbursement, number of pupils, &c. together with such suggestions as he may see fit to offer.
"Resolved, That the Master of

each subordinate Lodge appoint a Standing Committee upon raising funds for the Orphan Asylum, and require said committee to report in writing each month, and that said reports and the funds received be fowarded monthly to the Superintendent of the Asylum and that the support of the Orphan Asylnm be a regular order of business in each subordinate Lodge at each communica-

4. All churches and benevolent organizations are requested to cooperate with us in the orphan work and to collect and forward contributions through their own proper officers. Here are the resolutions:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to many benevolent ladies and gentlemen, to the ministers of the gospel, to churches of various denominations, to Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Good Templars' Friends of Temperance, and other benevolent societies, whose hearty cooperation and liberal contributions have rendered timely and valuable assistance in the great work of ameliorating the condition of the orphan children of the State.

Resolved, That all benevolent societies and individuals are here-by cordially invited and requested to cooperate with us in providing funds and supplies for feeding clothing, and educating indigent and promising orphan chil dren, at the Asylum in Oxford.

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