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## WORK OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

One of the Teachers Writes Interestingly of Its Great Benefits to Those Attending.

Mr. Editor:—You will please allow us a word about the Teachers' Institute held in Concord from August 22 to September 2. It was so much better than anything we ever had, and will be so far reaching in good results that it will mark an epoch in the history of education for Cabarrus county, and for the State as for that matter. The attendance was large and "contentious" and the interest fine. Nearly every teacher sat up and took notice. And instead of wanting the interests grow from day to day until the time for the benediction.

When we come face to face with modern ideas and improved methods in our vocation, let it be teaching, farming or what, we ought to embrace it and make the most of it. It would be a very stupid person indeed, who, after two weeks in a teachers' institute like the one we had in Concord, that could not feel a quickening of a brighter and a better life. Why, we as teachers, are just now starting. It is not possible to see with the eyes closed. Our mental vision often gets foggy. I believe I echo the sentiment of every teacher in attendance when I say that our visual horizon is clearer, our grasp of things more vivid and the real cause of our existence more apparent.

Professors Allen and Newbold, in carrying out their work from day to day, won the highest respect of the teachers by their gentle and pleasant manner of approach. They did not come up on the wrong side of the teacher, as we sometimes do with our children in the school room, but like all real pedagogues they used tact, and in this way they never failed to get a response from the teacher on the subject under consideration. Yes, there were a few "heated discussions" to wake up the sleepy fellows, but not enough to make anybody mad.

The proposition that provoked the greatest tumult, and in our opinion the most important question that was touched upon during the Institute, was brought up by Prof. Allen in the form of a question: "Should we have the child study with a view of storing up knowledge for future use, or rather should he not study in order that he may best know how to live in the present, from day to day?" Prof. Allen took the latter view, whereupon quite a number of teachers took issue against what they thought was extremely radical, if not heretical. The discussion which followed waxed fast and furious and when the smoke of battle had cleared away there were to be found large number of teachers who were ready to embrace the new creed. Prof. Allen seems to have a definite purpose in everything he undertakes, and when he thinks there might be a better route to the desired goal he strikes out single-handed and blazes his way through the primeval forest of human research, regardless of the old beaten paths and wagon ruts of the centuries past and gone. He does not believe in teaching facts, but the things that lead to facts. What we have said in this connection might be said of the other Institute conductors, Prof. Newbold, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Read and Miss Mary Lewis Harris. It goes without saying that Mrs. Stevens, by her winsome and gentle manner and her Christian bearing, won for herself the profound admiration and esteem of every teacher. She grew upon us from day to day, and when the hour for separation had come, all too soon many a heart saddened at the thought that they might never have the pleasure of meeting and conversing with this noble woman subject with such rare skill, had gone again. Mrs. Read, who handled the home at the end of the first week. She too had endeared herself to the teachers with an attachment that was deserving, and which we feel will be lasting. As much as we would like to go into the details of our Institute, I shall have to forbear, for it would make our letter too long, but we must reiterate here, in a way, the spirit of Mr. James Gourley's speech of thanks to the teachers of the Concord Graded Schools for the loving kindness which they exemplified when they tendered to the rural teachers a most beautiful and appropriate reception with ice cream and cake. That was not only a generous act, it was a Christian endeavor, and will not go unrewarded. I feel like saying here as did Prof. Newbold, "It's the finest spirit I've seen yet." While we country teachers may not all find the courage to come to the front and acknowledge our obligations to our city cousins and co-laborers, we feel sure that every one of us does thank them, and will doubtless find it within our power at some time to reciprocate this unusual expression of love that they showed for the humble teacher in the country.

When we come to think of it in a certain way, and perhaps in the right way too, we can't help but think that Concord has some of the best people in the world, anyway. Now that program on the last day of the Institute.

To whom are we indebted for this brilliant occasion? The speeches by Messrs. Bivins, Durham and Mrs. Stevens. The singing; it was grand. Whoever heard a quartette rendered any better than our own boys did it? I give you my word, I never did. You may call me a green horn if you want to, but the uplifting spirit that permeated every phase of the Institute work found a glorious and harmonious expression in that song.

All honor to our worthy and beloved superintendent of schools, Prof. Chas. E. Boger, for his able management of the educational work of our county. He has given us the best institute the county has ever had. He is the teacher's friend, and this means that he is everybody's friend, for it is through his teachers that he can and does reach every child and every parent in the county, and that to own and bless, to elevate and ennoble the citizenship of our grand State.

H. T. BAKER.

## New Form of Money Order.

Announcement has been made at the local postoffice to the effect that the department would issue a new form of domestic money order in the near future. A principal feature of this new form will be a detachable coupon, to take the place of the advice on the present slips which will be presented with the money order by payee or endorsee at the paying office.

It is stated that the names of the remitter and payee will not appear in the body of order, but the sending of the coupon with the order will serve to acquaint or remind the payee of the name of the person entitled to credit for the remittance. The order and coupon together are somewhat longer than the order now in use, but may be handled conveniently with commercial paper by banks and business houses. The width is the same as that of the present order.

Beginning with the earliest date on which the government printer at Washington will be ready to print and ship forms, domestic money orders of the new styles will be furnished to all postoffices in the United States. It is stated that he supply of old form domestic money orders now in stock at the various postoffices in the country will be used up before the new ones will be asked for.

## Party Last Night.

A party was given last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Benfield, in honor of Miss Ruth Hunter and Mr. Harry Hunter, of Texas, and Miss Emma Williams, Lillian Suther, Ethel party was entertained by music and afterwards refreshments were served. Those present were:

Misses Ruth Hunter, Dollie Hunter, Emma Williams, Lillian Suter, Ethel Johnston, Lillian Isham, Ollie Irvin, Maud Irvin, Bertha Linker, Onnie Griffin, Fronie Griffin, Dell McEachren, Nellie Johnson, Claude Cline and Ida Benfield and Messrs. Harry Hunter, Adam Cline, Will Yates, De Harris, Irvine Graham, Lonnie Crooks, Merl Crooks, Zeb Thornburg, Robert Thompson and Robert Hunter.

## Back from Texas After an Absence of 39 Years.

Mr. Jno. Hunter, of Texarkana, Texas, is visiting his brother, Mr. E. D. Hunter. He came in last Friday, accompanied by his son, Mr. Harry Hunter, and daughter, Miss Johnnie Ruth Hunter. Mr. Hunter left his home at Huntersville 39 years ago for the west. He married out there, and this is his first visit to his native State since he left it. He had not been to Concord in 42 years, and of course, there is very little here that he recognized. He will return home in about 60 days. Mr. Hunter says he is greatly pleased with the wonderful progress this section has made.

## 364 Cotton Bolls Make Only 162 Bolls.

Mr. J. F. Easley, of No. 2 township, tells us that he carefully counted the bolls on ten stalks of cotton on his farm. On the ten stalks there were 364 bolls up to the 31st of August. On September 8th he counted the bolls on the ten stalks, and there were only 162, a shortage of 202. The stalks, he says, are about three feet high and the bolls are thin on the stalks. He says this is the condition throughout his crop.

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Has it ever occurred to the Taftites that one way of keeping Cannon from being Speaker is to beat him in his district. Same procedure applies to Dalsell.

After all, Grover Cleveland wasn't such a bad sort of ex-President.

## THE FARMERS' UNION.

National Meeting of One of the Biggest Organizations in the World. Special to The Tribune.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 8.—No one who has been keeping up with the proceedings of the National Farmers' Union in this city would venture any opinion other than that the union is a thoroughly business organization. With the exception of the first session Tuesday morning the meetings have been of an executive nature and no visitors, not even the ubiquitous newspaper reporter, has been allowed to be present.

The Farmers' Union is one of the biggest organizations in the world and the personnel of the men here for the convention from all sections of the country has been evidence that keen intelligence and shrewdness are not lacking among the leaders of the Union. It is rather pleasing to note also that the delegates from this immediate section are decidedly prominent in the body of the country's representative farmers here.

On account of the very nature of the meetings the entertainment of the convention has been very simple. There was a reception at the Selwyn Hotel Tuesday evening. Yesterday afternoon the delegates were taken in charge by the farmers of Mecklenburg county who drove them over the county's good roads and entertained them last night in their own homes. The convention will come to a close with the session this afternoon.

A feature of the convention, or a side feature rather, was the treating of the entire convention to cotton flour buns and a display of feed stuffs made from cotton seed, a raw product that has just begun to come into its own in this section. The delegates from the West, particularly, were impressed with the exhibition of feed-stuff, which included the new horse feed, Socotots, which is made from cotton seed meal, rice bran, corn and molasses giving the same food elements as the natural oats and being much cheaper. The articles in the exhibition were described by the souvenir booklet presented by the Southern Cotton Oil Company, the pioneer exponent of the newer products of the cotton seed. The exhibition was plentiful evidence to the delegates present from all sections that the South is no longer an importer of grain and other feedstuffs from other sections.

"We have a great cattle country out in Kansas and farther out," declared a prosperous looking farmer from the Middle West, "but you folks right here have the advantage of us if you'd only use it. This Boveta stuff and your other cotton seed feeds are just a by-product with you and yet they are just as good as the corn and hay that we raise, and your people here say better. This would be a great cattle country if your opportunities were utilized, and the beauty of the thing is that it might still remain a great cotton country."

## Jim Tillman Fatally Ill.

James H. Tillman, former Lieutenant-Governor of South Carolina and the slayer of Gonzales, the former editor of the Columbia State, was brought to Asheville Wednesday morning from Edgefield, S. C., in a serious condition. In fact, it is said that Mr. Tillman is suffering from that dreaded disease, tuberculosis; that he spent some months in the West in search of health; that he returned to his home in South Carolina and growing worse was brought to Asheville in the hope that the climate of this section would be beneficial. He was taken from the train on a stretcher and while realizing that he was a dangerously ill man, he nevertheless maintains his nerve.

## Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sherrill expects to leave tomorrow evening for Blue Ridge Summit, Pa., to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Sherrill. They will also go to Baltimore and Philadelphia before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Phillips, of Durham, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. J. W. Cline, left this morning for Rowan county, where they will visit relatives before returning to Durham.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go.

Mr. A. Jones Yorke is spending today in Charlotte.

Rev. Paul Barringer is spending the day in Salisbury on business.

Mr. E. C. Widenhouse, of No. 9, is attending Rutherford College.

Mr. J. F. Hurley is spending the day in Mt. Pleasant on business.

Dr. J. Phifer Gibson, of Salisbury, visiting his brother, Mr. R. E. Gibson.

Miss Margaret Crowell left this morning for Lenoir to enter Catawba College.

Miss Mary Rameur left this morning for Davidson College, to visit at Dr. C. R. Harding's.

Mr. Kay Patterson left this morning for Durham, where he will enter Trinity College.

Mr. J. M. Davis, of Statesville, deputy revenue collector, is spending the day in the city.

Miss Ollie J. Cline has returned from Durham, where she attended the Phillips-Hicks wedding.

Mr. R. C. Lineback, of the Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, is spending the day in the city.

Messrs. Boone Crowell and M. Ritchie, of St. John's are attending Lenoir College at Hickory.

Miss Katie Cochran left this morning for Charlotte, where she will attend the Presbyterian College.

Miss Marion Fleming, who has been visiting Miss Sudie Smith, returned this morning to her home in Augusta, Ga.

Mrs. H. M. Barrow and daughters, Misses Julia and Adelaide, will arrive in Concord Saturday to spend some time.

Mr. J. A. Hartsell, who has been visiting his son, Mr. J. L. Hartsell, left this afternoon for his home at Wingate.

Mr. Jesse McLelland will leave Monday for Durham, where he has accepted a position with the Seaman's Printery.

Dr. Sampson, of Austin, Texas, dean of the Theological Seminary of the University of Texas, is the guest of Dr. F. O. Rogers.

Miss Marguerite Brown returned this morning from Winston-Salem, where she has been visiting friends for several weeks.

Mrs. J. C. Fink and Miss Effie Bangle are spending the day in Charlotte. Mrs. A. B. Pounds and son, Frank, are spending the day in Charlotte.

Wickesboro Chronicle: Master John Cline, of Concord, after spending the summer with his aunt, Mrs. R. L. Doughton, returned home Monday.

Mrs. T. J. Crowell and Mrs. Junius Ritchie, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. J. Lee Crowell, returned this morning to their home in New London.

Mr. Bain Green, of No. 10, left this morning for Hickory to attend Lenoir College. His brother, Mr. Bot Green, left at the same time for the A. & M. College at Raleigh.

## Mysterious Fire Burns Salisbury Residence.

Fire which had a mysterious origin Wednesday in Salisbury destroyed the residence owned by Mrs. Julia Cuthrell and occupied by S. W. Whisman and family, entailing a loss of about \$3,000, with \$1,000 insurance. The household goods of Mr. Whisman were totally destroyed with a loss of about \$1,000.

W. J. Ray, who occupied a room in the burned building, had a narrow escape from burning to death, jumping from the second story to the ground. He was picked up in a semi-unconscious condition and taken to a hospital and his condition is still precarious.

A combustion of gas is said to have caused the fire.

Texas has survived four extra sessions of its legislature within the past two years. This clearly entitles Texas to a Carnegie hero medal.

## The Fall of Rev. J. A. Paisley.

A correspondent of The Lexington Dispatch signing himself "M" writes as follows:

The fall of Rev. Paisley, the Presbyterian minister of Mooresville, is to be regretted for various reasons:

1st. It encourages the criminal and semi-criminal classes and excesses men of low morals and habits in their conduct.

2nd. It causes hidden critics of church work to open fire with some show of reason, when the real reason is their own bad hearts and lack of religion.

3rd. Many men will tell of this man's fall with gleeful words, but will not think to speak of the many good and kind things he did, nor of the years of hard, weary work in the service of the Master.

4th. This man did a terrible wrong to the state and church, out still he was human. Perhaps, as is often the cause, the woman was the main cause of his fall. For a long time she was the nurse of his invalid wife, and as such may have thrown temptations his way, which were hard to bear. Preachers are often revered and almost worshipped by women, and this very love and confidence tempts both the man and the woman in such a way that at any time a sudden and sad result is likely to occur.

5th. While the minister did wrong when he yielded to his temptation, did he not do a greater wrong in confessing to it when it was unnecessary for him to do so? Why did not he not resign from his position and go to some other calling or resume his calling elsewhere, if he sincerely repented in his heart. His conscience, he says, made him acknowledge his wrong. He thus ruined his own life, his wife's life, the life of the child and the life of the child's mother, for her name is surely known to all Mooresville people. He should have kept the secret and either gotten forgiveness from his God and kept on serving him, or have resigned and gone into other work. The greatest wrong to society in general and to all concerned was the confession of Mr. Paisley.

M. See The Times for Job Printing.

## COODLE CREEK.

Mr. W. A. State Library Sunday night to his son, Rev. W. C. ...

The following young ladies from here will attend Linwood College this year. Misses Marguerite and Mary Smith, Carrie and Della Johnston, Emma Witherspoon, Annie Wallace and Gussie Hethcock.

Mr. Robert Kerr leaves next Monday for Due West, S. C., where he expects to enter the Theological Seminary.

The Fall communion at Coddle Creek will embrace the second Sabbath of this month, beginning on Friday before. There will be one service Friday, two Saturday and two on Sabbath. Rev. R. B. Caldwell, of Central Steele Creek, will assist Mr. Davidson.

The meeting will begin at Shiloh the second Sabbath in the afternoon and will continue through the following week.

Last Saturday Mr. W. F. Smith sent his wagon to Charlotte, in charge of a colored driver. As he was returning that evening through Davidson one of the mules became sick. The driver had some one phone Mr. Smith but before he reached Davidson the mule was dead. This was one of Mr. Smith's finest mules and was worth \$250.00.

The Coddle Creek Telephone Company is building a line to Concord by way of Messrs. George Faggart's and Jas. Goodman's.

## Mrs. Misenheimer Hurt by Fall.

Mrs. J. H. Misenheimer was seriously injured last night about 12 o'clock by falling off the back porch at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. Dayvault, on Franklin avenue. Mrs. Dayvault has been confined to her room for several days on account of illness, and last night Mrs. Misenheimer went out on the porch to get some article that was needed at the time, and while there it is thought she misjudged the distance of the floor causing her to fall. She sustained a broken shoulder and other injuries. Her son, Dr. C. A. Misenheimer, of Charlotte, was sent for and is spending the day here with his mother.

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