

LOCAL NOTES.

Prof. J. W. Gore delivered a public address at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church Sunday.

Dr. C. L. Raper spoke in Greensboro last Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson spent Saturday on the Hill with his sons, Messrs. W. S. O'B., Jr. and J. F. Robinson.

Messrs. W. B. Owen and I. Meyerberg spent Saturday and Sunday at Bynum.

Prof. M. C. S. Noble returned Monday afternoon from Wilmington.

Prof. Collier Cobb spent Friday in Raleigh.

Messrs. Haigh and Pemberton went to Durham Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. C. W. Miller and W. E. Pharr went to Greensboro Monday afternoon, returning Wednesday.

Drs. Venable, Battle, Raper and Smith attended the reunion at Greensboro the first of this week.

Mr. R. M. Harper returned Monday from a visit to Oak Ridge and Guilford College.

Dr. W. H. Meade has been away for several days, on a visit to his son at Kinston.

Miss Louise Venable left this week for an extended visit to friends and relatives at the University of Virginia.

Mr. B. S. Abernethy, Phar., left Tuesday to attend the Greensboro reunion.

Messrs. Hubert Haywood, '05, Jos. E. Pogue, '06, and J. D. Pemberton, '07, returned from Raleigh Monday.

ELISHA MITCHELL SOCIETY.

The North Carolina Academy of Science to Meet Here on Nov. 12th and 13th—Election of Officers.

The 150th meeting of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society was held Tuesday night in Person Hall. Papers were read by Mr. J. E. Latta, Dr. Chas. Baskerville and Prof. E. V. Howell.

Mr. Latta spoke on "The Use of the Vector Diagram in Electrical Engineering." He said in part: "There are two methods of solving problems in electrical engineering, the analytic and the graphic. The analytic is long and complicated. The graphic, by the use of the vector diagram, is much simpler though not so accurate.

It is of great use in shortening and simplifying electrical problems where only approximation is required." Mr. Latta showed its application to a certain problem where it was required that inductance be overcome.

Dr. Baskerville read a paper on "Tanning." He gave two of the old methods, showing their difficulties. Recently a new method has been discovered, which is a great improvement on the others. It depends upon the action of chromium nitrite. This changes to the oxides of nitrogen, which are volatile and can be easily removed from the leather, thus avoiding destructive

chemical action, which was one of the objections to the old methods.

Dr. Baskerville showed some specimens of tanning, given him by Tiffany and Co. They were of rare skins, used for the making of ladies' purses and other things suitable for a souvenir of a goldsmith.

Prof. Howell spoke on some work he and Dr. Wheeler are doing in getting coloring matter from muscadine grapes. They have been at work only a few days, and have not, therefore, reached anything definite.

After the papers had been read a business meeting was held at which the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Baskerville; Vice President, Mr. Latta; Recording Secretary, Dr. Wheeler; Permanent Secretary, Dr. Venable.

Dr. Baskerville announced that the North Carolina Academy of Science would be here on November 12th and 13th, holding meetings in Gerrard Hall each evening, and also afternoon meetings in the Alumni Building. A committee was appointed to provide for the entertainment of the Academy while here.

The Journal of the Elisha Mitchell Society will hereafter be the organ of the North Carolina Academy, though retaining its old name. Instead of being a one hundred page book as heretofore, it will have two hundred pages. It will be published quarterly. The election of editors will still be in the hands of the Elisha Mitchell Society. The present editors are Dr. Baskerville and Dr. Coker.

A Freshman's Vision of Glory.

I want to be a Soph,
And with the soft ones stand,
A bruise upon my head,
A fresh within my hand.

II

Yes I want to be a Soph,
I'll join that wretched band,
And to that wretched crusade
I'll lend a helping hand.

III

Certainly; I will be a Soph,
I'll climb the ladder of fame
And down upon some freshman's mind
I'll write my idiotic name.

IV

Well, I'll soon be a Soph,
How I glory in that crew!
I will take on the wings of a buzzard
And with them I will have flew.

V

Listen! I hear them coming!
Oh, how they rave!
Tis worse than a vision of the ghost dance,
Upon some freshman's grave.

VI

Glory in my title! I am now a Soph,
But still with the Freshman class,
Oh the title, that I've won,
But knowledge I've failed to amass.

A FRESHMAN.

A Sophomore, who happened to see the above poem while it was in the printing office, straightway submitted the following remarks:

Written by the very freshest fresh
That ever shook with fright,
He's as brave as the bravest lion by day,
But he's under his bed at night.
"Of course, I'll be a Sophomore,"
He boasts with greatest glee,
But there's eight full hours to be gotten off
E'er a Sophomore he'll be.

Eight full hours, and a bruised head
Does not conduce to study.
Yet "Vengeance is ours" is the sentiment
Of the Sophomores, in a body,
If he thinks he'll attain Sophomorehood
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