DIRECTORY.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Mayor—C H Gwyn.
Commissioners—A G Click, J S Bell, C M King, G M Burcham, H G Chatham.
Tax Collector—O O Eidson.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Sheriff—J M Davis.
Clerk of the Court—W W Hampton.
Register of Deeds—T W Davis.
Surveyor—Vestal Taylor.
Coroner—J S Armstrong.
Commissioners—J L Worth, J J Wallace, J M McCann.
Board of Education—J H T Calloway, W H Wolf, W F Needham.
Examiner—Jno W Williams, Stony Knoll.

TOWNSHIP OFFICERS.

Justices of the Peace—J F Walsh, T M Butler, I A Eldridge, J M Gentry, A H Lyons, S T Wilborn, J C Hert.
Deputy Sheriff—J M Eldridge.

CHURCHES.

Baptist—Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Pastor.
Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and second and fourth Sundays at 7 P. M. Sunday School every Sunday at 10 A. M. A. G. Click, Supt. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

Presbyterian—Rev. C. W. Robinson, pastor.
Preaching every second Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7 A. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:35 A. M.

Lutheran—Rev. W. A. Lutz, pastor.
Preaching every fifth Sunday in the Methodist church morning and evening at the usual hour.

Episcopal—Rev. Mr. Williams, rector.
Preaching every first Sunday night in the Presbyterian church at seven o'clock.

Colored Presbyterian—Rev. C. B. Ward, pastor.
Preaching every fourth Sunday at eleven o'clock. Sunday school every Sunday at 9.30 A. M. M. Hickerson, Supt.

Colored Methodist—Rev. J. W. Jones, pastor.
Preaching every first Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday School every Sunday at 3 P. M. Daniel Rogers, Supt.

SECRET ORDERS.

Elkin Lodge No. 454, A. F. & A. M. meets the first Tuesday night in the month before the full moon.
J. S. Bell, W. M.
J. F. Walsh, Sec'y.

Knights of Pythias, Piedmont Lodge No. 96 meets every Thursday night at seven o'clock. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
A. G. Click, C. C.
J. F. Hendren, K. of R. & S.

I. O. O. F. Bryan Lodge No. 57, Independent Order Odd Fellows meets the first and third Monday nights in the month.
J. W. Davis, N. G.
C. N. Bodenhamer, Sec'y.

MAILS, ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE.

Mail from Greensboro arrives at 12:21 p. m. Leaves 2:50 p m.
Wilkesboro arrives 2:50 p m. Leaves 2:30 p m.
Sparta arrives 11:45 a m. Leaves 2:30 p m.
Traphill arrives at 12:00 m. Leaves 2:30 p m.
Jonesville arrives at 11:30 a m, and 2:30 p m. Leaves 12:30 p m and 3:00 p m.
All the above mails are daily.
E. D. HARRIS, P. M.

Will Not Fix Telephone Rates.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 19.—The railway commission to-day rescinded all orders fixing rates for rental of telephones or exchange service. There was argument by John W. Daniel and others against the fixing of rates. Attorney General Walser gave the board his opinion that it had no jurisdiction with respect to telephone rates more than to make or cause to be made just and reasonable rates of charges for transmission of messages by any telephone lines doing business in North Carolina, and that the commission has no authority to prescribe charges for the rental of telephone wires, instruments and exchanges or use thereof.

More Charges Against Robinson.

News and Observer.

The free pass business grows apace. With the denials and explanations for Judge Robinson by his friends, come other charges. One is that his family has been riding on passes—that they came home from Waynesville the past summer on a pass. Another is that the Judge went into the Southern Railway office the day after delivering that famous charge here to the grand jury and asked for a pass for another man in the Western part of the State, saying that his presence here was necessary, and if he couldn't get a pass for him he (Robinson) would have to pay his fare. He didn't get the pass.

Secretary Bliss Predicts Bigger Pensions.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Secretary of the Interior Bliss in his annual report, made public to-night, submits estimates aggregating $156,532,419 for appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

He says that 200,000 pension claims are awating adjudication, and it is estimated that 40 or 50 per cent. of these will be finally admitted. If they are rapidly adjudicated they will swell the pension roll from $5,000,000 to $7,000,000. When, however, these claims are adjudicated and first payments made the amount of the pension roll will decrease rapidly, possibly to $125,000,000 or $130,000,000 the first year.

Mr. Fife Prophesies a Plague.

Salisbury World, 24th.

A Lexington gentleman who was in the city yesterday tells us that at his meeting there Thursday Evangelist W. P. Fife told his audience that he had a message from God to the people of Lexington. God had revealed to him, he said, that unless the people got on their knees and in sackcloth and ashes repented, a plague would come upon the city within the next ninety days. Mr. Fife, we learn, is not so violent in denunciation as he once was.

Adolphus Coker, of Clarendon county S. C., was whipping a ten- year-old son last Sunday when Bosey Coker, 18 years old, the eldest son, to whom the child appealed, told his father not to hit his brother again. The elder Coker declared declared he would whip the boy whenever he felt like it and struck him another blow, whereupon Bosey sprang on his father and inflicted six wounds with a long-bladed knife, from the effects of which Coker died Sunday. The son has been arrested.

STATE NEWS.

The Raleigh News and Observer says that by the first of the next year it will have put in a web perfecting press with a capacity of 5,000 to 6,500 papers per hour.

It has been definitely decided that the first issue of the North Carolina Presbyterian, which is to be moved from Wilmington to Charlotte, will be printed in this city on January 1.

Mr. Robt. L. Abernethy, of Mountain Island, Gaston county, hasn't cut his hair since Bryan was defeated and says he isn't going to cut it until Bryan is elected President.

Contrary to previous understanding, it is reported here that it has been decided to make a change at once in the office of marshal of the western district of North Carolina. The term of Marshal Carroll does not expire until January 15, 1898.

Mr. A. Brady, a native of Davidson College and formerly a prominent Republican politician and business man of Charlotte, is now traveling auditor for a Texas and Chicago Railroad with headquarters at Chicago.

The opinion is expressed by a number of papers that Evans, the colored man convicted of outraging Miss Cole at Rockingham and sentenced to be hanged on the 26th, is not guilty. The Governor is expected to commute his sentence.

Another Kirby Smith case has cropped out. This time it is at the Halifax State farm and the old doctor in charge is accused of undue intimacy with the female convicts. His resignation was asked for and handed in in ten minutes and the doctor has left.

The State Auditor announces the pension allowances for the current year as follows: First class pensioners $62, a decrease of $2 from last year: second class $46.50, decrease $1.50; third class $31, decrease $1; fourth class and widows $15.50, decrease 50 cents. The pension tax yields $2,200 less than last year. There is also an increase of 49 in the number of pensioners. These two things combine to cause the reduction. The total of the pension tax for this year's use is $102,174.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction writes a letter to John C. McMillan, supervisor of public schools in Duplin, saying "Your maximum of $30 is too low. I never heard of any necessity of a maximum before you refer to $12.50 as a minimum. This is a new condition. I will say that a teacher who is not worth more than $12.50 per month is not worth employing at all. You can never expect to make the public schools amount to anything with $12.50 teachers. In some counties the committee will strain at a gnat and swallow a camel, all at the expense of the children. They will grind down teachers to $15 and 820 (your county is the first I have heard of at $12.50) and then sign an order for a chart for $38 or $40, and think they have done something smart. Away with such men to manage our schools!"

Gen. Clingman's Remains.

Concord Times.

It has already been stated in THE TIMES that the remains of Gen. Thomas L. Clingman are to be removed to Asheville. In connection with the announcement, Gen. James M. Ray has issued the following address to the Confederate veterans of Western North Carolina:

"Remembering his distinguished services as civilian, legislator, Congressman, Senator and scientist, a soldier, colonel and general, in each and every position coming up to the full measure of a great man, and his inordinate love for his home, we have seen fit, as citizens and ex-soldiers, to beg of his relatives to allow us to disinter and bring to beautiful Riverside Cemetery his body and give it a last resting place in sight of the grand mountain scenery that he, when living, never tired of looking at and talking about. They have generously consented, and 'tis for us now to come together and do our part in making the occasion one creditable alike to his memory, ourselves and Western North Carolina.

"I, therefore, urge you to assemble in Asheville on Tuesday, the 7th day of December, and take whatever part may be assigned you in the ceremonies of the day.

"I appeal especially to all who were members of his old regiment, the Twenty-fifth North Carolina, and also to those having belonged to his brigade, to be present on the occasion, for you will be given the post of honor."

Ambrose for Congress.

News and Observer

It is said that Col. Ambrosial Fake Hileman, Speaker of the House in the late unlamented Legislature, has Congressional assirations. The Colonel has been here for several days consulting with the powers that be with a view to knocking the pins out from under Congressman Shuford, who, he says, is now only fit for the "scrap pile."

—Raleigh correspondence of the Charlotte Observer, 24th: Speaker Hileman left for home this afternoon. He says he believes the Pops can beat the Democrats. He admits that all parties are in a tangle and declines to say whether he thought the Populists had gained any strength. He declares he is watching the Democrats to see whether they will "play the fool" or not. When asked what he meant by this phrase he said "all of them join the gold men."

—Raleigh correspondence Baltimore Sun: Ambrose F. Hileman, Populist Speaker of the House, will be in the race for Congress from the seventh district. It is conceded that Congressman Shuford cannot get a renomination in that district.

—Rowan court is in session this week, Judge Coble presiding. The Judge said that no delinquent tax-payers would be prosecuted until the test case now before the Supreme Court is decided. The law has already, however, resulted in Rowan's treasury being filled with money for taxes, as all feared that the law would be enforced at this court.

John A. Ramsay, of Salisbury, has been elected agent of the State board of education, which controls all State swamp lands.

Was Figures For Show Windows.

"How long does it take to make one of these?" said the manufacturer in response to an inquiry. "Well, it depends entirely upon circumstances. It is not a mechanical operation, the finishing off of a wax model as true to life as this." And he pointed to the bust of a laughing child whose rosy neck and bright eyes were framed by clustering curls. "To make these one must have studied anatomy as well as drawing and modeling. We begin in the same way as a sculptor would to make a statue. After the wax has cooled the eyes are put in, the face is 'made up,' as theatrical folks say, and the wig is fastened on, and the wooden body is shaped. We make all our hands and feet from life, and they cost about $10. If we have an order for an entire figure, we always model it from life. The life size wax figures of infants are among the finest things we manufacture, and they add much to the attractiveness of a show window, as was illustrated last winter when a Washington street retail dealer displayed one during the holiday season. The head and shoulders, such as are seen in the milliners' windows, cost from $40 to $45. The wig makes considerable difference in the price, as we use the best hair, and it is expensive, especially the natural blond, which is scarce. The children's heads cost $20 or thereabout.

"All the finishing off imaginable," he continued, "would not make a figure stand the test of a season behind the glare of a glass unless the wax has a natural pink tinge. The reason some of the models look so deathly is because the wax is bad and not properly colored. We use beeswax, slightly colored, and flesh tints are put on in addition." —Boston Transcript.

They All Knew That.

"I am quite willing to contribute to the—er—amusement of the evening," interposed the amateur poet, who was bursting to read his latest and couldn't get anybody to take the hints he continually threw out.

There was a sound like a groan from a corner of the room and a guest went out. The others prepared for the worst, except one elderly man who pulled down his waistcoat with an unnecessary show of determination.

"The title of this little effort," the poet went on, drawing a roll from an unsuspected pocket, "is 'The Raindrops on the Roof.'"

"Well, of course it does," exclaimed the elderly man. "Where would you expect it to drop? When the rain drops on any well regulated house, it naturally chooses the roof. Perhaps you expect people to take the roof off when it rains, or you think that we imagine that it drops on the foundation or in the umbrella stand? Everybody else knows that rain drops on the roof, young man, and they don't want you to write a poem to tell 'em. If you can write one that will explain why it always rains when a man goes out in a new hat and without an umbrella we're open to hear it."

The poet did not contribute any further to the amusement of the evening. —Strand Magazine.

Haroun-al-Raschid's Koran.

For exhibition at the congress of orientalists it is said that the French minister of public instruction offered the sultan £3,000 for the loan of the Koran of Haroun-al-Raschid, to parade at the reception and then to have it copied. He refused. This unique volume stands in the tombhouse of the sultans at Constantinople at the foot of Mahmoud II's coffin. Its margins are illuminated in the Persian style, and it is kept with jealous care by the wearer of a green turban.

Artists curious about decoration would be repaid in seeing it for making a journey to Constantinople. M. Cambon goes often to feast his eyes on it. He was first authorized to offer £2,000 for a loan of it for two years, and then £3,000, the French government paying a heavy premium of insurance, but the sultan holds it to be invaluable, which it is. He also thought that, if lent, the faithful would miss it from the tombhouse, where it is treated as a venerable relic. Had it been brought to Paris under the proposed conditions, a new departure in decorative art might have been the consequence.—London Truth.

An Underground City.

In Galicia, in Austrian Poland, there is a remarkable underground city, which has a population of over 1,000 men, women and children, scores of whom have never seen the light of day, says the Roxbury Gazette. It is known as the City of Salt Mines and is situated several hundred feet below the earth's surface. It has its town hall, theater and assembly room as well as a beautiful church, decorated with statues, all being fashioned from the pure crystallized rock salt. It has well graded streets and spacious squares, lighted with electricity. There are numerous instances in this underground city where not a single individual in three or four successive generations has ever seen the sun or has any idea of how people live in the light of day.

Icehouses In England.

In England the plan of having icehouses so built that a large portion is underground is still the prevalent method. In America it has long since been found that the natural warmth of the earth is a foe to ice preservation. No one, we suppose, in America would think of having an icehouse built in any way than wholly above ground.—Meehan's Monthly.

The sounding of the mayor's horn at Ripon, England, is one of the most ancient customs in the kingdom. It formerly announced the setting of the watch, but it has now lapsed into the formality of three blasts given at 9 o'clock every evening at the mayor's residence by his official horn blower and three more at the market cross.

Monument to Senator Vance.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Nov. 19.—A special to The Times from Asheville, N. C., says that Grand Master Moore, at the request of Masons of North Carolina, will call a special communication of the grand lodge to assist in laying the corner stone of the monument to the late United States Senator Vance at Asheville. The ceremonies will occur early in December.

The average man never fully realizes at midnight how very sleepy he is going to be at 7 o'clock the next morning.

THE TEACHER'S FLIGHT.

Why Aunt Sally Didn't Marry—He Lost His Breeches.

It's old, but it's good, so we give it:

"Now, Aunt Sally, do please tell us why you never got married. You remember you said once when you were a girl you were engaged to a minister and promised you would tell us about it sometime. Now, aunt, please tell us."

"Well, you see when I was about 17 years old I was living in Utica, in the State of New York. Though I say it myself I was quite a good looking girl then and had several beaux. The one that took my fancy was a young minister, very promising young man, and he was very pious and steady. He thought a good deal of me and I kind of took a fancy to him, and things went on until we were engaged. One evening he came to me, put his arms around me and kind of hugged me, when I got excited and somewhat flustrated. It was a long time ago, and I don't know but what I might have hugged back a little. I was like any other girl and pretty soon pretended to be very mad about it, and pushed him away, though I wasn't mad a bit. You must know that the house where I lived was on one of the back streets of the town. There were glass doors in the parlor which opened over the street. These doors were drawn to. I stepped back a little for him and when he came close I pushed him back again. I pushed [illegible] I intended to; and don't you think, girls, the poor fellow lost his balance and fell through one of the doors into the street."

"Oh, Aunty! Was he killed?

"No; he fell head first, and as he was going I caught him by the legs of his trousers. I held on for a minute and tried to pull him back, but his suspenders gave way, and the poor young fellow fell clear out of his pantaloons in to a parcel of ladies and gentlemen passing along the street."

"Oh, Aunty! Aunty! Lordy!"

"There, that's right; squall and giggle as much as you want to. Girls that can't hear a little thing like that without tearing around the room and he-heing in such a way, don't know enough to come in when it rains. A nice time the man that marries one of you will have, won't he? Catch me telling you anything again!"

"But, Aunt Sally, what became of him? Did you ever see him again?"

"No; the moment he touched the ground he got up and left the place in a terrible hurry. I tell you it was a sight to be remembered. How that man did run! He went out west, and I belive he is preaching out in Illinois. But he never married. He was very modest, and I suppose he was so badly frighened that time that he dared never trust himself near a woman again That, girls, is the reason I never married. I felt very sad about it for a long time—for he was a real good man, and I often thought to myself that we should have been very happy if his suspenders hadn't given away."

Game in North Carolina.

Mr. Campbell Carrington, a prominent lawyer of Washington, D. C., recently returned from a gunning trip covering two days in the neighborhood of High Point, N. C. He reports having killed sixty-two partridges, six rabbits and six possums in two days. Speaking about this [illegible] Mr. Carrington said he had been [illegible] in North Carolina for about ten years, but never before has [illegible] such sport as it is this year. He [illegible] found near High Point a colored man who has forty-two of the finest hunting dogs in the country, and he thought it would be of interest to hunters to know at what little expense the sport may be enjoyed down there. This man, he says, gave him the pick of the dogs, two in the morning and two in the afternoon, furnished a good hunting dog and his own service for $3 a day. High Point is about fifteen miles from Greensboro.

Let Them All Come Back.

Chatham Record.

In order to redeem the State the Democratic party must attract and welcome to its ranks those former members who have become estranged and who are in part responsible for the "Fusion supremacy." Let us welcome back to the Democratic fold those who, for different reasons, refused to vote for our Presidential candidate in 1892 and 1896. At the election in 1892, thousands of Democrats refused to vote for our Presidential candidate (Cleveland) because they considered him a "gold bug" and agent of the trusts and monopolies, and in 1896 many other Democrats refused to vote for our Presidential candidate (Bryan) because they considered him a fanatic on the silver question. Now in order to redeem the State next year—when there is no Presidential election—why cannot both these classes of bolting Democrats unite with the regular straight Democrats? Why not all unite in a long pull and a strong pull and a pull altogether, and gloriously redeem our good old State?

Latest News From Blaxville.

Atlanta Constitution,

It's a queer country where we're living. Last week we bought the Jenkins place, and as we moved in the town council [illegible] sidewalks, pavements, one sewer, and opened a ten foot alley. As we couldn't [illegible] all this they very kindly sold us the house and furniture, and we didn't [illegible] enough cash out of the transaction to hire a second-hand tent!

The sheriff has been confined to his bed for 10 days past but he's slowly recovering all our property now.

The yellow fever has brought a good deal of money to Blaxville. Come one, come all! Refugees cheerfully buried while they wait.

What is mostly needed in our midst is an epidemic of [illegible]; and we don't how it spreads.

We are expecting a heavy frost and no overcoat.

Would that we could raise the quarantine and $10.

The penitentiary directors have made a contract with S. P. Hildebrand, of Cohoes, N. Y., to furnish him with any number of convicts up to 350 to make shirts inside the prison, utilizing the great west wing, which is now unoccupied. Hildebrand to pay the State 24 cents per dozen for the shirts made. He will probably begin January 1st, and next year may require over 125 convicts.

W. N. C. CONFERENCE.

Some Statistics and the Appointments for Next Year.

Asheville Citizen.

The Western North Carolina Conference which met in Central M. E. Church, South, Wednesday of last week, was organized in 1890, and is composed of the territory taken from the old North Carolina Conference, and from the Holston conference. The territory of the conference is all in North Carolina, embracing that portion of the State west of Greensboro.

"There are in the conference 199 traveling preachers and 19 superannuated preachers. There are 652 churches, valued at $113,000. There are 108 parsonages, valued at $120,000. The Sunday Schools number 680, with 46,000 scholars. The amount of money raised in the conference last year for support of its preachers was $86,000; for missions, $13,000; for church education, $2,000. The total amount of money raised in the conference last year for all purposes was $192,047.73.

There are 10 districts in the conference and 186 pastoral charges. The districts are presided over by as many presiding elders. These elders constitute the cabinet of the Bishop, and to them he looks for advice and counsel in stationing the preachers. Presiding elders are only advisory, however, and the bishop's power is absolute in the making of appointments.

Winston was the only place mentioned for holding the next annual meeting and it was selected by a rising vote.

The following were elected delegates and alternates to the General Conference which meets in Baltimore in May, 1898: Clerical—Dr. James Atkins, Dr. J H Weaver, Dr. J R Brooks, Dr. Chas. W Byrd, Dr. P J Carraway; lay—F Stikeleather, M O Sherrill, W R Odell, F C Robbins, Dr. B F Dixon; alternates, clerical—J R Scroggs, J C Rowe, L W Crawford; lay—J G Staples, J S Martin, G W Hinshaw.

The following are the appointments for next year:

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

S. B. Turrentine, P. E.
Charlotte, Tryon Street, H. F. Chreitzburg and W. W. Bays.
Charlotte, Trinity, Frank Siler.
Charlotte, Calvary, W. H. Willis.
Charlotte, Brevard Street, C. M. Campbell.
Charlotte, Epworth, supplied by J. F. Butt.
Charlotte, Belmont and Dilworth, J. A. Baldwin.
Charlotte circuit, R S Howie.
Pineville circuit, T. W. Smith.
Matthews circuit, T. P. Bonner.
Sandy Ridge circuit, J C Mock.
Waxhaw Circuit, M. C. Field.
Clear Creek circuit, R. F. Bryant.
Monroe station, J. J. Renn and W. M. Robbins.
Monroe circuit, J H West.
Polkton Circuit, supplied by B. F. Fincher.
Ansonville circuit, G. D. Hermon.
Wadesboro station, Parker Holmes.
Morven circuit, R. M. Taylor.
Lilesville circuit, D. F. Carver.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

D. Atkins, P. E.
Asheville, Central church, C. W. [illegible] H. C. Moore, supply.
Asheville, North Asheville, E. L. [illegible]
Asheville, Haywood street, H. L. Atkins.
Asheville, Bethel, J. R. Moose.
Asheville, Biltmore, R. G. Tuttle.
Weaverville circuit, L. E. Stacy.
Sulphur Springs circuit, Wilbur LeGette.
Swannanoa circuit, G. F. Kirby.
Leicester circuit, T. F. Glenn.
Cane Creek circuit, J. A. Shronce.
Saluda circuit, E. N. Crowder.
Hendersonville station, J. T. Lyon.
Mills River circuit, E. J. Poe.
Brevard circuit, L. A. Falls.
French Broad circuit, D. G. McCurdy.
Ivy circuit, W. B. Lyda.
Hot Springs circuit, Harold Turner.
Marshall circuit, J. P. Reynolds.
Spring Creek circuit, W. H. Perry.
Jas. Atkins, Sunday School Editor.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

T E Wagg, P. E.
Franklin station, C. F. Sherrill.
Franklin circuit, J. J. Edes.
Macon circuit, R. B. Shelton.
Highlands circuit, G. J. Owens.
Waynesville station, J. T. Rodgers.
Clyde circuit, E. B. Johnson; J. R. Long, supernumerary.
Canton circuit, W. G. Mallonee.
Haywood circuit, W. M. Boring.
West Haywood circuit, A. W. Jacobs.
Webster and Dillsboro station, W. B. Hunnicutt.
Cullowhee circuit, L. P. Bogle.
Bryson City, J. J. Gray.
Whittier Circuit, P. L. Terrell.
Andrews circuit, J. H. Bradley.
Hiawassa Mission, G. V. Cordell, supply.
Murphy station, J. T. Abernethy.
Hayesville station, J. T. Stover.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

P. J. Carraway, P. E.
Greensboro, West Market Street, J. H. Weaver.
Greensboro, Centenary, J. E. Gay.
Greensboro mission, G. E. Rowe.
Greensboro circuit, J. B. Tabor.
Reidsville station, S. H. Hilliard.
Wentworth circuit, J. M. Price.
Ruffin circuit, W. S. Hales.
Pleasant Garden circuit, S. T. Barber; P. L. Groome, J. F. Craven, supernumerary.
Ramseur circuit, H. W. Jordan.
Randleman station, J. E. Woolsey.
Ashboro station, A. W. Plyler.
East Uwharrie circuit, E. G. Pusey.
Uwharrie circuit, T. S. Ellington.
Randolph circuit, R. S. Webb.
West Randolph Crater, A. A. Crater.
High Point station, J. R. Scroggs and G. H. Crowell.
Jamestown circuit, S. D. Stamey.
L. W. Crawford, editor North Carolina Carolina Christian Advocate.
T. A. Smoot, student in Vanderbilt University.
V. L. Marsh, student in Randolph-Macon College.

MT. AIRY DISTRICT

H. M. Blair, P. E.
Mt. Airy station, H. K. Boyer.
Mt. Airy circuit, J. P. Rogers; one to be supplied.
Pilot Mountain circuit, E. H. Pegram.
Elkin and Jonesville station, F. L. Townsend.
Wilkes circuit, J. F. Ingram.
Syarta Circuit, W. S. Brown, supply.
Healing Springs circuit, Seymour Brown.
Jefferson circuit, J. A. Burrus.
Creston, J. P. Lanning.
Watauga circuit, W. L. Dawson.
Boone circuit, W. L. Nicholson.

MORGANTON DISTRICT.

J. W. Jones, P. E.
Morganton station, W. H. Leith.
Morganton circuit, J. H. Brendle.
Table Rock circuit, L. L. Smith.
Marion station, R. D. Sherrill.
Old Fort circuit, E. Myers.
McDowell circuit, supplied by R. H. Penland.
Rutherfordton circuit, G. H. Detwiler.
Broad River circuit, J. B. Carpenter.
Green River circuit, J. D. Carpenter.
Burnsville circuit, supplied by C. H. Curtis.
Bald Creek circuit, W. Y. Scales.
Elk Park and Estatoe, J. H. Moore.
North Cove circuit, supplied by A. G. Barrington.
Silver Creek Mission, supplied by J. C. Brown.
Connelly Springs circuit, C. G. Little.
Forest City circuit, J. A. Cook.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

J. R. Brooks, P. E.
Salisbury, Church street, T. F. Marr.
Salisbury, Chestnut Street and Spencer, D P Tate.
Salisbury circuit, J J Brooks.
Woodleaf circuit, R S Abernethy.
China Grove circuit, E M Merritt.
Concord, Central Church, J E Thompson.
Concord, Forest Hill, J D Arnold.
Concord, Epworth Church, W P McGee.
Concord circuit, G G Harley.
Mt. Pleasant circuit, A E Wiley.
Salem circuit, C M Gentry.
Norwood, J A Clark.
Albemarle circuit, L L Johnson.
Gold Hill circuit, L T Cordell.
Lexington station, R H Parker.
Linwood circuit, S S Gasque.
Thomasville station, J S Nelson.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

W R Ware, P E.
Shelby station, R M Hoyle.
Shelby circuit, T T Salyer.
King's Mountain, station, J M Downum.
Gastonia station, W M Bagby.
McAdensville circuit, M T Steele.
Stanley Creek, Albert Sherrill.
Mt. Holly circuit, W C Wilson.
Mountain Island station, R L Owenby.
Lincolnton circuit, W F Womble.
Lowesville circuit, D M Litaker.
Cherryville circuit, A G Gantt.
South Fork circuit, D F Gibson.
Belwood circuit, D H Coman; E W Dixon, supernumerary.
Polkville circuit, F W Bradley.
Henrietta station, J A Bowles.
Bessemer circuit, A R Surratt.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT.

J C Rowe, P E,
Statesville station, M A Smith; Jas. Wilson, supernumerary.
Statesville, West End, R G Barrett.
Statesville circuit, J O Shelly.
Iredell circuit, J T Bowie.
Clarksburg circuit, J A Peeler.
Mooresville station, J W Clegg.
McKendree station, O P Ader.
Troutman circuit, W S Cherry.
Mt. Zion station, Ira Erwin.
Rock Springs circuit, J C Postell.
Catawba circuit, C C Brothers.
Newton circuit, M D Giles.
Hickory station, W L Sherrill.
Lenoir station, T A Boone.
Lenoir circuit, G W Ivy.
Caldwell circuit, T M Brewer.
Hudson Mission, to be supplied.
Alexander circuit, J W Bowman.
T H Triplett, student.

WINSTON DISTRICT.

F H Wood, P E.
Winston, Centenary, W S Creasy.
Winston, Burkhead, G W Callahan.
Winston, Grace, J A B Fry.
Winston circuit, A S Raper.
Forsyth circuit, C A Wood.
Kernersville circuit, B A York.
Madison circuit, Z Paris.
Danbury circuit, T W Mansfield.
Stokes circuit, W H L McLaurin.
Davidson circuit, M H Hoyle.
Summerfield circuit, P E Parker.
East Bend circuit, S P Douglass.
Yadkin Mission, supplied by M H Long.
Mocksville station, J A Green.
Mocksville circuit, M H Vestal.
Parmington circuit, R T N Stephenson.
Walkerton station, W M Curtis.
Fracisco circuit, W B Scarboro.

Transferred: J H Fitzgerald to New Mexico conference and stationed at Durango; L T Mann, J W Strider, J M Terrell, R D Sprinkle to North Carolina Conference; W R Barnett to Holston Conference, and stationed.

"The Infamous Charge."

Charlotte Observer.

This is the Columbia Register's characterization of the now notorious allegation made by Marion Butler in a recent speech at Rocky Mount, the report of which he denied, but the truth of which has been fixed upon him. It says "it is the most infamous remark we have ever seen attributed to a Southern white man," and further: "The decent, respectable people of our sister State must indeed blush with shame, and their blood boil with indignation that one who is supposed to represent them should be so devoid of all sense of truth and honor as to utter such a sentiment. It is a villanous libel on the Democrats of the State, and, indirectly, of the whole [illegible] surely reached the deepest [illegible] of infamy."

Concerning the three signers of the affidavit printed in Friday's Observer, who swear that Butler used in substance the language attributed to him, the Raleigh News and Observer says;

We happen to know all three of these gentlemen well. Mr. McKenzie is the rector of the Episcopal church at Rocky Mount, and srands deservedly high in his church. Dr. Thorpe is one of the leading physicians of his section, widely known as a gentleman of character and standing. Mr. Daughtry is one of the first citizens of Rocky Mount, a gentleman of undoubted reputation for integrity and veracity. Wherever these gentlemen are known, there will not be a suggestion of a doubt that Senator Butler said substantially what the Argonaut published.

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The Charge True.

Rocky Mount Argonaut.

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