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## LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

—Miss Susie Hitch of Norfolk, Va., spent last Thursday and Friday here visiting her uncle, Rev. J. W. Wellons.

—Dr. Moffit left Saturday for Youngsville, in interest of the college.

—Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hobby who have recently moved near here from Raleigh, spent Sunday with Prof. and Mrs. Harper.

—Dr. J. O. Atkinson filled the pulpit at the eleven o'clock service Sunday. He gave one of his usual able and inspiring sermons. Just before the sermon Prof. W. A. Harper was ordained deacon of the church. Afterwards the Lord's Supper was administered.

—In the Y. M. C. A. Hall Saturday evening Mr. H. S. Johnson, traveling college secretary of the associations of North and South Carolina, addressed the young men. There was a good attendance and a splendid meeting.

—The many friends of Mr. W. S. Tate regret to hear of his severe illness with pneumonia. It is hoped he will soon be recovering.

—Mr. A. L. Lincoln visited Mr. H. A. Moffitt in Durham Saturday and Sunday. He returned by way of Graham.

—Mr. S. G. Wellborn of Greensboro was a visitor here Sunday.

—Miss Annie Watson is acting as librarian, Miss Tate being at home on account of the illness of her father.

—Miss Selina Shook, student, was called home Thursday on account of the death of her sister.

—Mr. Felix Smith of Charlotte visited his cousins here Sunday, the Misses Foster.

—Those who deserved special mention in the Psiphelean Society Friday evening were Miss Maibelle Pritchette Piano Solo, Miss Lillian Johnson, an essay, Miss Mabel Farmer vocal solo.

—In the Philologist Society Friday evening Mr. J. J. Kellum was the best speaker oratorically. Debate; Query: Resolved that the world would be economically better if all nations were consolidated under one Government. Won by the negative. Best speaker on the affirmative J. S. Truitt. Best speaker on the negative A. T. Banks.

—Rev. Me D. Howsare, pastor Christian Memorial Temple in Norfolk, Va., is expected Monday to assist Dr. Atkinson in a series of meetings which began Sunday.

—Miss Sadie Fonville was the leader of the Y. W. C. A. Sunday afternoon. While there was only a small crowd of girls out, on account of the rain, yet there was a real inspiring service, based on prayer.

—Miss Bilyon of Greensboro was a visitor here one day last week.

—Mrs. W. R. Hobby and two children of Raleigh are visiting her sister, Mrs. Sadie Jones.

—In the Clio Society Friday evening the best speaker oratorically was Mr. C. J. Felton. Debate; Query: Resolved that the Canal Zone should be fortified. Won by the negative. Best speaker on

the affirmative Mr. J. S. Lincoln. Best speaker on the negative Mr. R. L. Walker.

—In the Christian Endeavor prayer-meeting Sunday evening, Dr. J. O. Atkinson conducted the service. The meeting was indeed an interesting one and beneficial to all present.

Prof. W. A. Flick of the Burlington High School spent Sunday here visiting friends.

## THE SUNDAY SERMON.

Those who attended the eleven o'clock service Sunday enjoyed a rare privilege indeed. Dr. J. O. Atkinson was the speaker of the morning. This was Dr. Atkinson's regular appointment, and in accordance with his custom he had a message for all who would hear.

The speaker used as his subject: "Heavenly Recognition," basing his discourse on the Scripture as found in St. John's Gospel, 20: 16. The subject was analyzed as meaning the power of the individual to recognize heavenly and divine things.

Three kinds of education, training, or sensitiveness were placed before the audience for their consideration, viz: physical, mental and spiritual.

The physical sensitiveness of man was likened to the surveyor's needle that is easily acted upon by external things. It is possible for a person to be so influenced by things of a physical nature only that all things else are placed in the background.

The individual is mentally sensitive when the mind is given up entirely to mental achievements. The mind may become so well trained along this line that a slight error in speech will have the same effect on the cultivated ear as the false note does upon the musician. Thomas A. Edison was cited as having doubted the salvation of the immortal soul. The speaker said that some people thought this opinion one of weight because Mr. Edison was a man of great intellectual power. Then giving his own opinion of this matter, he said: "To me this testimony has the minimum influence. I had rather take the testimony of an old, saintly person. Were such a person to say to me that he doubted the mystery of the soul's salvation I should perhaps yield an attentive year. But Thomas A. Edison through yielding to mental sensitiveness has deadened the sane sense of Divine things."

Following this the speaker explained in impressive language how it was possible for an individual to combine the physical and mental until the spiritual would be lost sight of entirely. Dr. Atkinson said that he thought all would agree that there is a spiritual sensitiveness. With this in mind he took us on an imaginary journey to the tomb of Christ. Rumor had raised it about that He was not there but had arisen, or had, perhaps, been stolen away. Then came his followers to investigate. John, the most loved of all, stood at the entrance, the impetuous Peter rushed with unhallowed feet into the tomb, but the Master was not seen by them. Mary stood without weeping, but through her

tears shone the eyes of a deeply spiritual being and she saw what John and Peter could not see. Where was the Son of God when Peter and John looked into the tomb? As they left that tomb they thought there was nothing there but the empty space where once had lain the body of their Master.

The discourse continued asserting that there are a host of things which are dead to those who are trained only in the physical and mental. Hence, it happens that divine service seems long, the prayer tedious, and timely warnings from the pulpit become of no avail. We are anxious to leave the sanctuary, and hastening away we say: "There is nothing there."

Concluding, Dr. Atkinson impressed upon his hearers the fact that it was the privilege of all to live in such a state of spiritual appreciation that things Divine could be seen, and the approach of God recognized. God approaches every one, and we must not blame Him but ourselves, if we see Him not. We must be ready to appropriate God when He comes. So, often when the choir sings and we hear the melody of some soul-stirring song, we just know God approaches. When we gaze on the beauty of God in the universe and our hearts are entranced by the grandeur of the scene, we just know He is near. Then, considering that God approaches and that we have the power to appropriate Him it becomes our duty to live always in His presence.

E. L. D.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR SUNDAY, JAN. 22, 1911.

Class No. 1. Dr. J. U. Newman, teacher. Present, 15; collection, 25 cts.

Class No. 2. Prof. T. C. Amick, teacher. Present, 16; collection, 27 cts.

Class No. 3. Mr. A. L. Lincoln, teacher. Present, 14; collection, 16 cts.

Class No. 4. Mrs. R. J. Kernodle, teacher. Present, 15; collection, 38 cts.

Class No. 5. Teacher-Training. Mr. E. T. Hines, teacher. Present, 9; collection, 16 cts.

Class No. 6. Mission Study. Mr. R. A. Campbell, teacher. Present, 15; collection, 20 cts.

Class No. 7. Intermediate. Mrs. J. W. Patton, teacher. Present, 20; collection, 6 cts.

Class No. 8. Junior. Miss Ethel Clements, teacher. Present 12; collection, 5 cts.

Class No. 9. Primary. Mrs. J. M. Saunders, teacher. Present, 18; collection, 8 cts.

Class No. 10. Primary. Mrs. J. L. Foster, teacher. Present, 14; collection, 9 cts.

Citizen's Bible Class. Prof. W. A. Harper, teacher. Present, 23; collection, 28 cts.

Totals: Scholars, 171. Wholt School, 184. Collection, \$1.98.

J. Sipe Fleming, Secretary.

## GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

—Famine and plague are ravaging in China. At Harbin, in Manchuria, more than 1,300 have died, and the disease continues to spread. Every day adds 100 or

more cases, and almost all of them are fatal within forty-eight hours. The Chinese Government, missionary doctors, and relief societies are doing all they can to prevent the disease from spreading, and to bring relief to the suffering.

—The Federal Government, for experiment has opened forty-eight postal banks—one in each State of the Union. If the experiment proves successful Congress, no doubt, will provide for its extension to all our cities. The one in this State is at Salisbury.

—The Bank Guaranty System as operated in Oklahoma, Kansas and Nevada is constitutional. This is the unanimous decision of the Supreme Court of the United States.

—Great Britain is planning for great all-British Imperial exposition to be held in London, opening June, 1915, in celebration of the seven hundredth anniversary of the Magna Charta. This will be strictly British, and no foreign nation will be invited to participate.

—Bribery again. Senator Stephenson, of Wisconsin, is charged with securing his nomination by bribery. Unlike Senator Lorimer's case where the Legislature was bought, Senator Stephenson bribed the people in the primary election. He acknowledged that \$107,000 was used to secure his nomination.

—The German Emperor has signified his acceptance of a fund of \$1,250,000 placed in his hands by Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the income of which is to be used for the reward of acts of heroism in saving human life; and has appointed a commission to administer it. As with the similar endowments previously established by Mr. Carnegie in the United States, Great Britain, and France, provision will be made from the fund for the dependents of those who lose their lives in heroic effort to save their fellow men, or for the heroes themselves, if they survive their injuries.—Youth's Companion.

## The Self-Government Club.

The following were elected by the Self-Government Club of East Dormitory as the officers for remainder of the scholastic term of 1910-11:

A. C. Hall, President; W. L. Anderson, Vice-President; V. R. Holt, Secretary; C. J. Felton, Treasurer.

The Board of Governors were elected by the Faculty from the twelve nominees made by the Club as follows:

J. J. Ingle, Robert Lincoln, W. H. Fleming, R. A. Campbell, Bunn Hearn, and W. R. Robinson.

## Dictionary for Sale!

The Business Manager of the Elon College Weekly has for sale a Webster's International Dictionary, latest edition. This dictionary came into the hands of The Elon College Weekly by advertising the Dictionary in the columns of the Weekly, and a sale may be effected on terms that will suit the purchaser. Any person wishing the best in a dictionary, please see the Business Manager.