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The closing of the doors of Greensboro Female College is a great loss to education in North Carolina. It was one of the very oldest of our chartered female schools. It has had a long and useful career. In every part of our State and in many other States her graduates can be found occupying responsible positions and adorning many homes. No one agency has been a greater blessing to the Methodist denomination than Greensboro Female College.

For the past fifteen or sixteen years this school has been owned and run by a board of trustees as a Methodist college. For several years the school has not paid expenses and the trustees became weary of making up the deficit. The Methodist denomination can and ought to support a school for women owned and controlled by the Church. I am no great believer in private colleges run as a denominational college. They tend to destroy the real denominational college, when they, some day, must go to pieces. We hope the Methodists will rally and purchase the Greensboro Female College and establish a woman's school somewhere within the State.

The Baptists who have children to send to school should send to Baptist schools, provided Baptist schools give them as much in return for their money as other schools. When you begin to calculate, please remember that Pedobaptist schools and State schools charge you your boy or daughter, as well as your money. If your faith is valuable to you, it is as valuable to your child. Can you afford not to send your daughter to the Baptist Female University, at Raleigh, when it is the greatest female school in all the South, and as cheap in dollars and cents as any, if not cheaper? Can you afford not to send your son to Wake Forest College, when Wake Forest stands at the head of our Southern colleges? Her sons occupy the chiefest places in all the professions, even to the president of the Bankers' Association. The University and State Normal have the graded schools under their control, but the time is coming when this trust will be destroyed, and may I say, this is the greatest trust the denominational colleges have to contend with. Ten years ago not one superintendent of a graded school was a denominational college man, but to-day we find many, and next year we will find still more, and so

on until the man and his ability will be considered, and not where he was educated. Fifteen or twenty years ago a denominational college man had no showing in politics. But how is it now? The trust has been destroyed and men of ability are not kept down because they were not educated at a State school. There is a tendency to combine against the State schools, and while we do not believe this is right, yet the sons and daughters of State schools cannot complain; because they have been guilty of the same, and even to-day, where they can, they use this power that is fast failing, and they are only hastening the day of their fall by their own despotism, to keep control of the education of the children of North Carolina. Remember, if you die completely, you die by your own hand.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The First Baptist Church of Boston recently celebrated its 238th anniversary.

Rev. George N. Cowan, pastor of our Kinston Church, was married to Miss Stella Elizabeth Middleton on June 24 in the Baptist Church at Warsaw. We extend congratulations to both and wish them a long and happy life.

Rev. R. F. Bumpass, pastor of the Methodist Church in New Bern, sailed for Europe, where he will spend some nine or ten weeks. We wish him a happy and profitable trip and a safe return.

"Governor Taft, in the Philippines, broke a corner in rice, made possible by the general failure in crops, by purchasing \$800,000 worth of rice and selling it at almost wholesale cost prices. Governor Taft is a man of whom our nation does well to be proud."

Mrs. Fannie Mason, wife of Rev. R. K. Mason, pastor of our Church at Williamston, died June 24. She was buried at Morville, the home of her childhood. Sister Mason had been a great sufferer for months. During all her sickness Bro. Mason was needed by her bedside. During his affliction the brethren of the Tar River Association showed their love by the many tokens of remembrance.

The time has come when the tax collectors are required to collect the tax due the schools, by an act of the recent Parliament. This act puts all the schools of England under the control of the Episcopal or State Church and requires that the doctrines of the Church shall be taught a required length of time each day. The non-conformist Churches are fighting the act, advocating the non-payment of the education tax. Dr. John C. Clifford, a Baptist of London, is leading the opposition. At a recent meeting of the Anti-Educational Act there were 1,400,000 people present who cheered every thrust of Dr. Clifford. Surely the "churchmen" of England have not retrograded to the twelfth century. Religious persecution has not ceased, even among the Anglo-Saxon race.

The death of John Koolish, a Polish carpenter, and his three children, boys 5 and 7, respectively, and a girl of 12 years, victims of the recent East St. Louis flood, were caused by the father trying to save the three kegs of beer. What is it that a poor helpless drunkard will not do for drink? The blood of these are upon some one. Who taught the father to love strong drink? The men who sell. The legislators who make the liquor

laws. The men who vote for legislators who vote to protect strong drink. Then, the preachers and Christian citizenship are responsible for all the drink evil, not in East St. Louis only, but in New Bern.

The Associated Press reports, sent from Paris throughout the world, say that in a great Catholic school thrown open by the government of France young women students have been subjected to "torture of medieval type." "The girls' heads were robbed of their hair, which was sold regularly to hair manufacturers; they were made to lick a cross on the dirty floors and to kiss the feet of the sisters, even of those who with bare feet had trodden in the cow stables, and in some cases punishment was had by smearing their faces with excrement from the stables." The school was at Tams and has been patronized "by many great ladies of the French nobility."—*Baptist Argus*.

We regret the resignation of Pastor C. A. Jenkins, of Goldsboro, more than words can tell. Bro. Jenkins is a man of power. He is one of the strongest preachers of our State. Policy never comes between him and his duty. He is as loving as a lamb and as fearless as a lion. For a time he almost stood alone in the fight against the great enemy of men—the saloon. It does seem that victory is near and to leave now, is to look back after putting the hands to the plough. The flag of victory might now be waving over the entire country had it not been for the puppet legislators from Wayne County. A shame on the Christian element of our citizenship to be controlled by the liquor element.

The Bookman tells a story of Jacob Riis. Mr. Riis had a boil on his right arm which pained him greatly. "Dismiss it from your mind entirely, Mr. Riis," urged a friend, who was a Christian Scientist. "Don't think about the boil at all. I'll take the matter in hand at once, and you will hear from me." "And I did hear from him," said Mr. Riis. "The very next day I had another boil—two inches from the first one."—*Baptist Standard*.

At the close of the year 1901 the Board of Guardians of the city of Stockholm, Sweden, published the results of an inquiry which it had made into the causes of pauperism. It finds that drunkenness is responsible for 52 per cent. of the cases. In 6 per cent. of these cases both parents were drunkards, in 39 per cent. only the father, and in 7 per cent. only the mother. The children of such parents have to be supported by the poor rates.

The work of State missions is now before us. The convention instructed for an increase. So each Church will have to give more than last year. This is work in our own State, in our own Association, at our own doors. How strong this work should appeal to every Baptist in the State. Our willingness to help in this field will show how much we believe in the doctrine we profess to believe.

Mrs. H. L. Grant, of Goldsboro, writes as follows about the Messenger: "I enjoy reading the news from the different fields, and think your paper is just the right medium for associational information."

"If voting against salaries is legislating morality into men, why is not voting for saloons legislating immorality into men?" *Ex.*



WINTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

BY PASTOR W. H. RICH.

Winterville High School is owned and controlled by the Neuse Baptist Association. The founders of this school were men who saw far into the future and whose motives were not those of mere self-interest or self aggrandizement. They saw that all over our country were bright boys and girls who were growing up into manhood and womanhood without the requisite moral, religious and intellectual training to fit them for life. Winterville High School is a Christian school in the true sense of the word. *Denominationalism* is not taught. The students are surrounded with an invigorating religious atmosphere so the heart can develop as well as the mind and the two together.

Winterville is a small town situated on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, six miles south of Greenville. It is free from the vice and temptations of larger towns. The place is noted for its healthfulness. This is largely due to the excellent mineral water found on the school ground and one other place in the town. The mineral water is noted for its curative qualities, especially for such diseases as indigestion and dyspepsia.

The morality of the village is far above the average of towns. The people are industrious, honest and exceptionally free from drunkenness, rowdyism, cursing and swearing.

The town has good Church and Sunday School advantages. Two Sunday Schools all the year and religious services every Sunday, Sunday night and Wednesday night.

The school charter makes it unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell, give or dispose of spirituous, vinous, malt or other intoxicating liquors at or within three miles of Winterville High School. Parents who contemplate patronizing the school may well be satisfied with the wholesome restraint and influence thrown around their sons and daughters while students here.

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, ETC.

There are three large buildings. The Academy building is conveniently located just out of the business part of the town, near the center of a seven-acre plat of ground. A girls' dormitory, containing nineteen bed-rooms, two bath-rooms, a parlor and a dining-room located on the west end of the grounds. A boys' dormitory located on the east end of the grounds, containing fifteen rooms.

LIBRARY AND READING ROOM.

The school sustains a library of many valuable books. The library is constantly enlarging by the purchase and donation of books. This library has been made a depository for public documents. H. L. Staley is librarian.

The reading room contains several daily papers, several semi-weekly papers and a few leading magazines, such as Ladies' Home Journal, McClure's and Review of Reviews.

Two literary societies are connected with the school—one for boys and one for girls. The library and reading-room are freely used by the members of these societies and as a result, Winterville school has developed some fine speakers and writers.

COURSE OF STUDY.

Primary Department—two years.

Intermediate Department—Two years.

Academic Department—Two years.

High School Department—Three years.

The school sustains one of the finest music schools connected with any academy in North Carolina. Elocution is taught in class free or by private lessons from 5 to 10 dollars per term of five months.

A course in stenography, typewriting and book-keeping is sustained at a cost of \$10 per term.

The faculty is one of the strongest academy faculties in North Carolina, if not in the entire South.

Prof. G. E. Lineberry, A. B. (Wake Forest College), principal; Prof. F. C. Nye, A. B. (Wake Forest College); Miss Bertha Dawson (Salem Female Academy), Miss Clyde Harrison (Southern Conservatory of Music), H. L. Staley, librarian, with one other teacher to be elected, compose the faculty.

I don't suppose there is another Academy in all the State that has made such wonderful success. The enrolment for the first year was 152; second year, 214, and third year 256. The school has paid all expenses and the interest on the debt since its beginning.

BOARD.

Board in private families, \$6 to \$7.50.

Board in dormitory, \$5.50. Room rent, fuel and lights, \$1.50. All boarding students are expected to furnish sheets, pillow cases and pillow and two blankets.

Some of the teachers board in the dormitory and carefully look after the interest of the pupils.

Fall term opens August 31 and closes December 18, 1903.

Spring term begins December 28 and ends May 14, 1904.

For further information write Prof. G. E. Lineberry, Winterville, N. C.

In Japan, with practically the same poor laws, there are only 24,000 paupers, while Great Britain had 1,000,000. A Japanese statesman, on being asked to explain how they had so few paupers in proportion to the population, replied that the Japanese drink tea and the British people alcohol.

Many contend for "open communion." But where in the New Testament is such a thing taught? Show us and we will be glad to teach and practice it.—*Church Worker*.

"I find the great thing in this world is, not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving."