

elope Futch, in November, 1900, who with several children by her first husband are left to mourn their irreparable loss, but their loss is his gain.

He was a Methodist of the old type. His home was essentially a Christian home. Family worship both morning and evening, in which all the family, including servants and visitors, participated, was an unbroken custom for fifty-one years. He read much; the literature of the church was constantly on his tables. Respect and reverence for the holy Sabbath, for God's Word, and for the ministry were thoroughly inculcated. His home was the itinerant's resting place. They often stayed for a week, and nothing was too good for them nor was any pains spared for their comfort. He loved the Old Raleigh Advocate, and he was a subscriber to it for fifty consecutive years. His funeral services were conducted by the writer in Union Church near his home, which he loved so much, in the presence of a large congregation. We laid him to rest by the side of his first wife, on a hill a few yards from his house, a place selected by him many years ago. Peace to his ashes. May the Lord comfort the bereaved.

Y. E. WRIGHT.

Lewis.—On the 12th of August, 1906, the death angel came into the home of Bro. John Lewis and took from him his beloved wife. Mrs. Susan J. Lewis was born February 2, 1854, in Carteret County. After she and Brother Lewis were married they moved to Onslow County, and there she spent the remainder of her life. She was a quiet unassuming wife. Death came very suddenly. She was almost an invalid, and while she was not confined to her bed all the time, yet she did not see many days that she could say she was well. When death came it did not give her any time to prepare. We have to bow in submission to the will of our heavenly father. We must always live so when the summons comes we can say, Thy will, not ours. We laid her away in the family burying ground. She left three sisters to mourn their loss and a number of nephews and nieces. May they so live that when the last trumpet shall sound and the dead shall arise that they can meet together.

"We shall meet in that land far away,
When this life and its cares are over."

What a happy meeting it will be when husbands can meet wives, and parents and children can meet again never more to be separated.

May the Lord bless her husband and loved ones.

J. C. WHEDBEE, P. C.

Bryan.—James Bryan was born in Halifax County, April 18, 1834, and died June 3, 1906. He was happily converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in Wilson, N. C., when a young man. From his conversion till his death he loved the church and to meet and be with the brethren in their worship of God, his Heavenly Father. He was married three times—first to Vester V. Joyner, the youngest daughter of Thomas and Susannah Joyner, of Farmville, N. C. Unto them three children were born; one died in infancy, the other two are mourning the loss of an affectionate father—Mrs. W. Dail and Miss Mamie Bryan. There was indeed a happy union, but a brief one. She died July 12, 1865. Later he married her sister—Arthana—who was a helpmeet indeed for him, and a mother to the motherless. After some years death claimed her, and he was again bereaved. He was again married to Miss Laura H. Beeton, of Jones County, N. C., who survives him.

Brother Bryan was a good soldier

in the Confederate army, till the close of the war, and was a good soldier of the cross till death. His afflictions were great, but he bore them patiently. He leaves one brother and one sister: J. J. Bryan, of Institute, and Mrs. Fannie Williams, of Nashville. May the good Lord abundantly sustain them all in their loss and bereavement.

F. S. BECTON, Pastor.

Resolutions of Respect.

Resolutions of respect passed by the Holly Springs Sunday-school in memory of Bro. John A. Austin:

Whereas, the grim reaper of death has again visited our community and taken from it Brother John A. Austin, a loving husband and father, and taken from our church a true mem., a strong believer in the power of the Holy Spirit; therefore, be it

Resolved 1. That we, the Sunday-school of the M. E. church of Holly Springs, mourn the death of our faithful member and extend to his dear bereaved family our deepest sympathy and pray the blessings of an allwise and merciful God upon them.

2. That we bow in humble submission to Him "who doeth all things well."

3. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our Sunday-school minutes and a copy be sent to his bereaved companion and to the Raleigh Christian Advocate.

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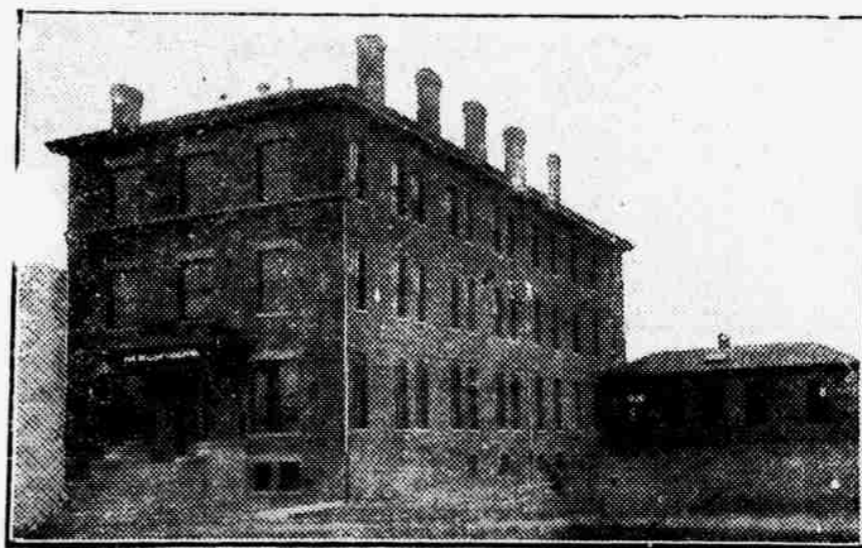
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