te held its regular monthly n the council room at the l last night, Mayor S. S. Mc-chairman ex-officio, presiding. owing named commissioners nt: Messra John R. Pharr. hinger, J. Arthur Henderson.

Smith and T. T. Smith. r the minutes of the last meeting sen read a petition from the At the November meeting of and these teachers had petitionir an increase in salary, from \$40 month. The petition last night asked that action be taken upformer. Mr. Henderson moved request be granted, explainsixth grade is one of the the teachers making the request ent and merit the increase. D. B. Smith made a substitute to the effect that the salaries teachers who had been in the two years be increased 10 per cent.

two motions precipitated a Every member discussion. agreed that the teachers in grades at the schools were corly paid and that they deserve an increase in salary. They were also agreed that the teachers older in exence, those whose efficiency has been proven, deserve a higher salary than the new teachers. Finally, at the suggestion of Mr. Pharr, the motions withdrawn and the matter referred to the finance and teachers mmittee, which will arrange a sysby which the board will be guided in the matter of salaries hereafter. se committees will report at a special meeting of the board Friday evening at 6:30 o'clock, when action will be

Willie Massey, a teacher of the secnd grade at the colored school, petithat her salary be raised from to \$25. Prof. Graham stated that play and never slow. the teacher was efficient and that she rited the increase. It was granted. Mr. T. T. Smith, chairman of the mittee on night schools, reported that the school at the North graded was started December 5th, with Prof. R. A. Foard and Mr. T. J. Sutchison as teachers. He stated that stated that the attendance is good, that the students are very much in curnest and that the school is accom-plishing much good. A night school for both sexes was started at the Ada Mills about two weeks ago, with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Brown as teach-The enrollment here is 22. Last night a similar school was started at Continental Mills, where Mr. and Mrs. Brown will also teach. At the North graded school the night school is open three nights in the week. At other two there is school two nights in the week each.

GROFFITH INTERVIEWED.

Says He is Going to Stick to Shakespeare if All His (Griffith's) Hair Comes Out — Difference Between Richard III and Macbeth — Other

curtain between acts last night was sitting comfortably on a box and was quite good natured.

a conscience; he sees alry daggers and view. He has no conscience, no re-

ple, and he goes straight at his object. Then Macbeth must have good sup-port, while Richard is a one-man play. post bellum period, when the negro, If the king's role is well done, it makes

the Richard of Shakespeare. Shakes-peare had taken so many falls out of Elizabeths' old daddy. Henry VIII.

"At the close of the second act. Mr. regain her good graces by malingning short speech. A piece of good reading is The Last of stance. I have been a public speaker the Plantagenets, by Henry Cabot and I have learned to hate the sound

back through here in Marbeth. but he is going to stick to him.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

At the Meeting Last Night a Programme for the Month Was Ar-

Knight of Columbus met last day, the 21st, a special train will go portrayal of the mulatto who has won from here to Wilmington, where a his way to political power through couch will be instituted, the first demachivellian means. An important council, the second by Charlotte and the third by Mr. J. W. Conway, teritorial deputy. There will be about to anights present and a class of 40 will be initiated.

On the 30th a benefit show, the Sign

of the Cross, will be given at the Academy of Music for the Charlotte council and Mercy Hospial.

The Alarm Turned in by School Boys, An slarm was turned in from box 28 at 1:10 o'clock yesterday afternoon and the Gre department respond-ic at once. The horses made the run from the station house out to the old south graded school to find that the in graded school to find that the in was a fake one, having been sel in by one of the mischievous of boys who "wanted to see the horses run." Prof. Graham has matter in hand and summary telment will be meted out to the ity person.

KING RICHARD THE THIRD.

Mr. John Griffith, as King Richard the Third in Shakespeare's immortal tragedy was the attraction at the Academy last night.

Usually the production of the master plays are heavy. Much time is required to adequately stage the many acts which must necessarily be presented. The action is largely confined to the star and there is but little apto the star, and there is but little appeal to the eye or ear. Hence many care little for the Shakespearean

plays.
"King Richard the Third" was the exception let night. A fair house gathered to witness the lifting of the curtain and quite a number came in later. Mr. Griffith had visited both the Elizabeth and Presbyterian Colleges, where he spoke of Shakespeare and his work. Parties of the students from the two institutions were present to see the manner in which he in the school to teach and acted the part of which he had spoken. The several literary clubs of the were well represented.

Mr. Griffith is no stranger to Charlotte theatre goers. He appeared in Macbeth in the local play house last of the board for more than year and was accorded a very warm welcome. Much was expected last night and it is enough to say that no one was disappointed. Mr. Griffith makes up well as Richard and he never forgets, even under the stress of great action, the part which he has to play. The picture of the ambitious and unscrupulous monarch resorting to the most barbaric deeds in order to accomplish his selfih ends, was as fine as ever witnessed in the city. Espectally was this true in that scene where, with the blood of the murdered King Henry the Sixth still on his hands, he woos and wins the widowed Lady Anne, only to cast her aside a short time after. The last act was admirable. In the scene in Richard's tent, on Bosworth Field, where the ghosts of those whom he had murdered visit him, was fine; so was the duel scene with the Duke of Richmond that closely followed it. All in all, Mr. Griffith is an admirable actor, enering fully into the spirt of the

> but one role, the star was given fine support: William Lloyd, as Earl of the First Presbyterian church of this Richmond and Duke of Buckingham, dity. She is well know here as a

Little Miss Gloria Moore, as the child Duke of York was excellent. only boys were admitted to this school child Duke of York was excellent. and that the enrollment was 59. He She made a charming picture and was heartily applanded. Mabel Standish, as Lady Anne, Anna Boyle-Moore, as Queen Elizabeth, Mary Haswell, as the Duchess of York, and Helene Wesley as Edward, Prince of Wales, were far

above the average. "King Richard the Third" is a play that is essentially instructive from which one may derive great profit. The whole was well staged, admirably produced and worthy of hearty sup-

THE CLANSMAN IN NEW YORK.

What the New York Papers Had to Say About Mr. Dixon's Play—The Herald Declared: "The Sensation Falls"—The Sun and World Had Nothing to Say in the Editions That Came Here Yesterday.

North Carolina people who know Thomas Dixon will be interested An Observer reporter slipped behind pers toward The Clansman, which made its first appearance at the Libhad a pleasant chat with the erty Theatre Monday night. The Sun temporary King Richard III. His valet and The World that came here last was strapping garters on him and putting his tinsel armor on. The historic last believe to say of the show but the Herald wrote as follows: lows:

"Bolsterous but harmless was the This is a much better play than dacheth," said he. "I mean for the general public. Macbeth is all the time thinking; he feels remorse, he has the clansmen, at the Liberty Theatre.

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"From the continuous and enthus!osts, and hesitates. It tukes work astic. though staccato, applause with from the sound of the gong, as pugli-that say, to play Macbeth, and it re-that a majority of the large audience close attention from the au-gathered to hear it was composed of dience to keep up with the subtleties. New Yorkers of Southern birth or "But Richard has only one thing in sympathies. But this majority was entirely good natured and it met with orse. His methods are perfectly sini-no responsive antagonism.

The play itself, in a coarse and

through the instrumentality of 'carpet-Hitle difference about the others. One bag' adventurers from the North obgood thing about Macheth is that it tained temporary ascendancy over the draws from the schools. That play is South. That period is, happly, over. prescribed as one of the entrance re-quirements to all the colleges, and is taught in all the colleges. High school fact. Happily, the appeal has so little to see it. The contests always come out force that it can do no permanent force that it can do no permanent for see it. One of the most interesting studies the dominant features were simply he continued, "is the those of a negro minstrel show. variance between the real Richai and the Bistrionic exploitation of the variance between the real Richai and old time comicalities of darkeydom that

"At the close of the second act. Mr that he had probably incurred her dis- Dixon, in answer to the applause, appleasure, and for that reason tried to peared before the curtain and made a

" 'For many years,' he said, in sub-Lodge."

of my own voice. I make the longer of my own voice of my own voice. I make the longer of my own voice of my own voice. I make the longer of my own voice of my own voice of my own voi of fellow, and good to converse with South, but that it would excite an-He to-night proves that there is no North says Shakespeare is pulling his hair and no South, but that the language of passion, condition and romance is intelligible to both sections of our common country and acknowledges no geographical limits."

The company is fairly good, though the Clansman himself, Mr. Sydney Ayres, is unduly spectacular, Nelse, the "old fashioned negro," and his wife, Eve, are well portrayed on the traditional 'minstrel' lines by Mr. Dedomicers. It was decided to initiate Witt C. Jennings and Miss Jeffreys our new candidates on Monday night, the first degree of the order. Sun- of Mr. Austin Webb is an impressive part in the cast, that of Flora, the thirteen-year-old sister of the Clansman, is acted with remarkable ability

by Miss Frances Shannon." The Funeral of Mr. McConnell.

On account of a wreck in the western part of the State yesterday, the remains of Mr. John H. McConnell, funeral was postponed till this morning, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Millersham. The pallbearers will be selected from the Mecklenburg Camp of Confederate veterans.

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Special to The Observer Death of Mrs. E. Jones.

Wilmington, Jan. 5.—Negotiations that have been pending for some time between the heirs of the inte Col. K. M. Murch an and Joseph H. Hinton, the lesses, and some time between the heirs of the inte Col. K. M. Murch an and Joseph H. Hinton, the lesses, and some time between the heirs of the inte Col. K. M. Murch an and Joseph H. Hinton, the lesses, and some philadelphia. In the street of Philadelphia. In the social constitutes a consulting method. The stockholders all being physicians between the latter's residence to-day after a short illustration in the lesses, and the latter's residence to-day after a short illustration in the lesses, and the latter's residence to day after a short illustration in the latter's residence to-day after a short illustration in the latter's residence to-day after a short illustration in the latter's residence to day after a short illustration in the latter's residence to day after a short illustration in the lesses, and the Bihnlaier vibrating method. The stockholders all being physicians constitute a consulting beard.

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A CHURCH RECEPTION.

Many Guests Present.

The Sunday school rooms of Tryon street Methodist church were the scene of a delightful reception last night in honor of Rev. and Mrs. H. K. Boyer, the new pastor of the church and his wife. The rooms were brillantly lighted and prettily decorated for the occasion and the hours were spent most pleasantly in the social intercourse of the pastor and his wife with their congregation.

During the short time that Mr. and Mrs. Boyer have made Charlotte their

Mrs. Boyer have made Charlotte their home they have won many friends, and a large number of persons were glad of the opportunity last night for meeting them and the reception was sufficient evidence that Mr. and Mrs. Boyer are valuable additions not only to the religious life of the city, but to the social life as well.

The reception was given under the auspices of the church imporvement society and the ladies of this society are to be congratulated for the elcelient manner in which they carled out this pleasant feature in the social life of the church.

The guests were met at the door by The guests were met at the door and ushered into the reception room to meet Mr. and Mrs. Boyer, and assisting them in receiving were number of the ladies of the improvement In the dining room the guests were

served with refreshments, while music was furnished in the room adjoining. The evening was one that will be remembered as among the most pleasant in the history of the church.

DEATH OF MRS. HARRISON. Was Formerly a Resident of This City, but Has Recently Lived in

Greensboro. Mrs. John A. Harrison, a former resident of this city, died at her home, 216 Mendenhall street, Greensboro, at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, at the ripe old age of 76 years. survived by a husband and five children, John A. Harrison, of Stanford, Tex.; James Harrison, of Charlotte, and Mrs. M. R. Fills, Miss Bettle D. Harrison and Mr. E. V. Harrison of

the First Presbyterian church of this Richmond and Duke of Duckingham.

Claude Soares, as King Henry the Sixth, and George C. Gunter, as Lord

Stanley were all good.

The funeral will take place at Greensbor to-morrow morning at 10

Greensboro. For many years Mrs.

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nt of a Number of Pes ple, Visitors and Others.

Mr. W. T. Powe, of Oreensboro, spent yesterday in the city, staying at the Smford.

Mr. F. A. Dillo, of Wilmington, was among the out-of-town people in Charlotte yesterday.

Mr. L. E. Ruckett, of Thomasville, was among the guests at the Central yesterday.

Mr. J. E. Stewart, of Mouroe, spent yesterday in the city.

Among the out-of-town people here yesterday was Mr. W. F. Lattimore, of Lattimore, who was a guest at the Butord.

Mr. T. S. Funderback, of Chesterfield.
S. C., is in the city on his way to Davidson College.

Mr. H. C. Evans, of Statesville, is spend-Buford.

Mr. F. F. Smith, of Salisbury, was among the guests at the Southern Manufacturers' Club yesterday.

Mr. W. F. Calton, of Lattimore, was among the guests at the Central last night.

Mr. B. E. Teague, of Burlington, be spending to-day in the city, at the Central.

Mr. Charles A. Davis, of Bessemer City, were among the visitors in Charlotte last evening.

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Mr. J. B. Dunagan, of Asheville, is among the out-of-town people in the city to-day, He is at the Central.

Mr. E. L. Efird is spending a few days with relatives in Wadesboro.

Mr. John Miller spent yesterday in Gastonia on business.

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