TO THE COLORED TEACHERS PROF. COON MAKES A SPEECH

State Colored Teachers' Association Takes Steps to Arouse Interest and Increase Its Membership—Want a Sunnier School—Prof. J. C. Ken-dall, of A. & M. College, Discusses Dalrying—Suggestions by Dr. E. V. Wilcox, of Department of Agricul-

Yesterday was agricultural and mechanical day in the Colored Teach-ers' Association, at Biddle. There were more teachers and visitors present

more teachers and visitors present than on any previous day. The programme as previously announced was carried out to the letter and the various topics were well treated.

Dairying in North Carolina was discussed somewhat in detail by Prof. J. C. Kendall, of the A. & M. College, at Raleigh. He has a full knowledge of his subject and he made many practical suggestions to the teachers, showing how they may aid in improving the prevailing methods in this regard.

this regard.
Dr. E. V. Wilcox, of the United
States Department of Agriculture, discussed the value of agricultural education. He showed quite clearly that cation. He showed quite clearly that agriculture is a science. He called special attention to the value of stock farming. This is the hope of the State and of the South. He urged that the negro remain on the farm. The great mistake of the times is the abandoning of the farms by both the colored and white young men.

At the evening session the follow-ing report was submitted by the com-"We, your committee appointed to devise ways and means to awaken an interest among the teachers of the State in the work of our association, beg leave to submit the following:
"I. We recommend that a State

organizer, or district organizers, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to travel and lecture, with a purpose of awakening deeper interest among the people on the subject of general, education and the work of the association. And for the carrying out of the above the executive committee is hereby authorized and empowered to make such arangements as may be

necessary.
"II. That it is the sense of this association that there should be a State summer school held in connection with this association for the benefit of the colored teachers of the State and we therefore recommend further that the executive committee be here by authorized and empowered to

"III. We recommend that the resident and secretary lesue a circular letter to the city and county superintendents for the purpose of securing the attendance of their teachers upon the sessions of the association and the proposed summer school."

Prof. S. G. Atkins explained the purport of the resolutions and made a suggestion. Dr. Sanders called at-tention to the fact that the motive back of the recommendations is unselfish and patriotic, Dr. Smith pointed out the loss which is being sus-tained by the individual and the tained by the individual and the State in the failure to educate the boys and girls. The paper was adopted by a rising vote.

Prof. Charles L. Coon, superintendent of the colored normal school, delivered a very practical address. He said that: "If we are to teach we must teach," ninety per cent. of the teachers of the State are not prepared to teach. The trouble is not with the school house, but with the teachers. He had been trying to train three things: No child should enter school two weeks after school opens; no child shall miss three days out of a Annie Bell Williams, 95; Lee Newton, month; no child shall be tardy. The 95; Louise Wade, 95, trouble is anybody can teach school In making the ab feach ers and 6,000 white teachers who are prepared to do the work as it ought to be done there will be better sala-

The teachers ought to lead in the matter of public opinion.
Prof Coon made an instructive and impressing address and was accorded

AN EXCITING RUNAWAY.

Mr. Niel Runge and Family Have an Unpleasant Experience—No One Dangerously Hurt—Horse Ran Two

Mr. Niel Runge and family had a narrow escape late yesterday after-noon from serious injury, when the horse they were driving became frightened, and ran away, overturning the surrey and throwing its occupants to the hard pavement. The animal strap, which fell on his hind legs at every step. He started to run south of the South graded school, turned into Morehead; and then Tryon, ran through Independence Square and was finally caught, after breaking loose from the surrey, beyond the Seaboard passenger depot, more than two miles from the place he started.

The accident occurred at the corner of Tryon and Tenth, where the horse ran against the curbing and overtuned the surrey and broke away from it. Mr. Runge, who is not a strong man, had been unable to stop the animal and his strength gave out so that he could hardly pull him into the sidewalk. In the overturning of the vehicle Mr. Runge sustained a badly bruised face and one of his little girls was hurt and stunned for a while. Mrs. Runge and the other child escaped injury.

MALE TEACHERS IN DEMAND.

Mecklenburg County As Well As the City, Will Use More Men in the

There seems to be an increasing demand for male teachers in Charlotte and Meckienburg county. At school commissioners decided to have men teach the eighth and ninth, as well as the tenth, grades in the city schools hereafter. Yesterday Mr. R. J. Cochran, county superintendent of education, remarked to s reporter that he was on the look-out half a dozen or more male teachers for the rural schools of the

The positions to be filled in the county are very desirable. The teachers are wanted for districts that have voted special school taxes, and have new buildings. These ols have from two to five teachers. It is the purpose of the county superintendent to have a man for principal in these larger schools. The positions pay \$50 a month, or \$600 a

PRESIDENT OF GEORGIA TECH

Prof. K. G. Matheson, of Institution's Faculty, is Elected to Succeed the Late Capt. Lyman Hall.

Late Capt. Lyman Hall.

Atlanta, Ga., June 21.—Prof. K. G. Matheson was elected president of the Georgia Technological School here to-day to succeed Captain Lyman Hall, who died about a year ago. Prof. Matheson has been acting president since the death of Captain Hall, with whom he was associated for eight years. Since his graduation at the Citadei (military academy), Charleston, Prof. Matheson has been connected with the Georgia Military Academy, Milledgeville; the University of Tennessee, and with the Missouri Military Academy, at Mexico, Mo, He received his master's degree from Leland Standford University and from Cotumbia College.

ORPHANAGE SCHOOL CLOSES. by the Students—Prizes Awarded for Excellence in Work — The Honor Roll.

The closing exercises of the Thompson Orphanage School took place in the school room last evening at 8 o'clock. The stage was tastefully decorated with flowers and ever-greens and the curtains were skii-fully arranged. A thunder cloud which came up just at the appointed hour, no doubt kept many persons from attending, but the room was fairly well filled with an appreciative audience which listened with interes to the following programme, which, with the exception of the first and last piece, was rendered without piano accompaniment;

Plano Solo, "March"..... Chorus, "The Good Old U. S. A." Recitation, "John Maynard"

Grover Clark
Recitation, "Moving"

Martha Newton Schoo Recitation, "The Snap Shot".... Frances Clark Song, "Rock-A-Bye Baby".... Martha Newton, Lygia Murdock, May

Myers, Mary Wade. Recitation, "The Mystery of Croatan" Recitation, "Picnic Time,".... Charles Newton Dialogue, "A Practical Joke,"."

"Aunt Amana," (Mattie Yates); "Mary," (Anie Williams); "Tom," (Lee Newton)

(Lee Newton). Song, "Under the Greenwood Tree," Mary Hill and chorus Part II: "Ye Little Olde Folks penetrable. Characters: "Marjorie, Lizzie Cochran; "Dorthy," Pearl Witherspoon; "Granny Lumkins," Hattle Brown; "Fldgety Susan," Troy Witherspoon; "Job Harkins," Cromwell Fullerton; "Corporal Bilson," Neal Williams; "Sleepy Cherub," Charles Driver; "Joshua Popham," Tom Cohen; "Friend Phoebe," Maud Berry; "Friend Aminioah," John Hammond.

Chorus, "The Old North State,

School. At the conclusion of the programme the following prizes were awarded for the highest average on all studies during the past year, and also for the best improvement in penmanship: In the senior department, Miss Ada Pharr received the prize for general scholarship, and Master Neal Williams for the best improvement in penmanship. should be stated that Miss Pearl Witherspoon's general average is actually the highest by a fraction, but inasmuch as she received the prize last year, she was not eligible to receive it again this year. It should also be stated that Misses Pearl Witherspoon, Maud Berry and Martha Newton were awarded a special prize by their teachers for excellence in department. junior department, Master Grover Clark received the prize for the highest general average, and Master Lee

the yearly roll of honor must ceive an average of 95 on all studies throughout the year. The roll of honor for the past year is as follows: Pearl Witherspoon, 96 1-9;

In making the above announce-

in North Carolina. Salaries will never ment the superintendent stated that be higher until there is a change, the teachers and children deserved special credit for the cises, inasmuch as they had no music teacher and no outside assist-Miss Copehart kindly volunteered to play the opening and closing pieces. Miss Bishop has had of the senior department, and furniture store of charge Miss Edwards, the junior, and they have been faithful to their duties. The prizes were awarded in a graceful manner by Rev. Francis Osborne, after which the benediction was pronounced by Archdeacon Osborne.

CHILD SHOT TO DEATH.

Phree-Year-Old Daughter of Mr. Sid Harrill, of Marshville, Victim of Deplorable Accident.

Special to The Observer. Marshville, June 21.-While playing on the bed with some other little became frightenede at a loose back- children this morning at 10 o'clock, little Dolly Harrill, the three-yearold daughter of Mr. Sid Harrill, was shot and almost instantly killed by the discharge of a gun, which was in some way dislodged from the position is had in the corner.

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John M. Lancaster, Highly Respected Farmer of Craven County, Shot Dend at Vanceboro by Henry Bai-ley, a Negro Tenant on His Lands— Citizens Join in Man Hunt With Bloodhounds and Feeling is High —Bailey a Dangerous Man and Had Terrorized Town With His Threats. Special to The Observer.

anceboro was the scene of the most dastardly and cold-blooded murder in the history of this section this morning. John M. Lancaster, a highly respected citizen of that place and well-known throughout the county, went to his farm and told Henry Bailey, his colored tenant, that he must stop getting articles at stores on his (Lancaster's) credit. The conversation tended to arouse Bailey's temper and he cursed Lancaster violently. The latter then told Bailey that he must work in the field on account of farm work being delayed. This did not set well with the negro and he grew more violent and cursed Mr. Lancaster still more and the two had a fight. Bailey broke away and ran to the house a short distance away, got his gun, and shot Lancaster dead. Bailey coolly went to the body to ascertain whether his victim was dead and then went into the woods, which are very thick and im-

TRACKED BY BLOODHOUNDS. When the news became known, citizens and neighbors joined in the man hunt. Bloodhounds were se-cured from Greenville and the pursuit was warm. The negro, however, has not been caught. The residents have sworn summary vengeance and the protection given him will not sufficient unless the anger of the people grows less. Sheriff Biddle and Coroner Jones have gone there. Mr. Lancaster was a prominent merchant, aged about 35 years, was married and had a family. His wife is prostrated and critically ill as a result of her husband's death. Bailey is a desperate character. He is of a low order of intelligence, burly, passionate, and a man who has held

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the city in fear by his threats.

Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Fair Friday and Saturday, except show-ers in mountain districts; light to fresh west to southwest winds.

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