upon proclaimed a provisional government for the island, the secretary of war acting as provisional governor until he could be replaced by Mr. Magoon, the late minister to Panama and governor of the canal zone on the isthmus. Troops were sent to support them and to relieve the navy, the expedition being handled with most satisfactory speed and efficiency. Peace has come in the island, and the harvesting of the sugar cane crop, the great crop of the island, is about to proceed. When the election has been held and the new government inaugurated in peaceful and orderly fashion the provisional government will come to an end.

The United States wishes nothing of Cuba except that it shall prosper morally and materially and wishes nothing of the Cubans save that they shall be able to preserve order among themselves and therefore to preserve their independence. If the elections become a farce and if the insurrectionary habit becomes confirmed on the island it is absolutely out of the question that the island should continue independent, and the United States, which has assumed the sponsorship before the civilized world for Cuba's career as a nation, would again have to intervene and to see that the government was managed in such orderly fashion as to secure the safety of life and property.

The Rio Conference.

The second international conference of American republics, held in Mexico in the years 1901-02, provided for the holding of the third conference within five years and committed the fixing of the time and place and the arrangements for the conference to the governing board of the bureau of American republics, composed of the representatives of all the American nations in Washington. That board discharged the duty imposed upon it with marked fidelity and painstaking care, and upon the courteous invitation of the United States of Brazil the conference was held at Rio de Janeiro, continuing from the 23d of July to the 29th of August last. Many subjects of common interest to all the American nations were discussed by the conference, and the conclusions reached, embodied in a series of resolutions and proposed conventions, will be laid before you upon the coming of the final report of the American delegates.

Panama Trip.

I have just returned from a trip to Panama and shall report to you at length later on the whole subject of the Panama canal.

The Algeciras Convention.

The Algeciras convention, which was signed by the United States as well as by most of the powers of Europe, supersedes the previous convention of 1880, which was also signed both by the United States and a majority of the European powers. This treaty confers upon us equal commercial rights with all European countries and does not entail a single obligation of any kind upon us, and I earnestly hope it may be speedily ratified.

Sealing.

The destruction of the Pribilof island fur seals by pelagic sealing still continues. The herd, which, according to the survey made in 1874 by direction of the congress, numbered 4,700,000, and which, according to the survey of both American and Canadian commissioners in 1891, amounted to 1,000,000, has now been reduced to about 180,000. This result has been brought about by Canadian and some other sealing vessels killing the female seals while in the water during their annual pilgrimage to and from the south or in search of food.

The process of destruction has been accelerated during recent years by the appearance of a number of Japanese vessels engaged in pelagic sealing.

Suitable representations regarding the incident have been made to the government of Japan, and we are assured that all practicable measures will be taken by that country to prevent any recurrence of the outrage.

We have not relaxed our efforts to secure an agreement with Great Britain for adequate protection of the seal herd, and negotiations with Japan for the same purpose are in progress.

The laws for the protection of the seals within the jurisdiction of the United States need revision and amendment.

Second Hague Conference.

In my last message I advised you that the emperor of Russia had taken the initiative in bringing about a second peace conference at The Hague. Under the guidance of Russia the arrangement of the preliminaries for such a conference has been progressing during the past year. Progress has necessarily been slow, owing to the great number of countries to be consulted upon every question that has arisen. It is a matter of satisfaction that all of the American republics have now, for the first time, been invited to join in the proposed conference.

Army and Navy.

It must ever be kept in mind that war is not merely justifiable, but imperative upon honorable men, upon an honorable nation, where peace can only be obtained by the sacrifice of conscientious conviction or of national welfare.

The United States navy is the surest guarantor of peace which this country possesses. I do not ask that we continue to increase our navy. I ask merely that it be maintained at its present strength, and this can be done only if we replace the obsolete and outworn ships by new and good ones, the equals of any afloat in any navy. To stop building ships for one year means that for that year the navy goes back instead of forward.

In both the army and the navy there is urgent need that everything possible should be done to maintain the highest standard for the personnel alike as regards the officers and the enlisted men. I do not believe that in any service there is a finer body of enlisted men and of junior officers than we have in both the army and the navy, including the marine corps.

West Point and Annapolis already turn out excellent officers. We do not need to have these schools made more scholastic. On the contrary, we should never lose sight of the fact that the aim of each school is to turn out a man who shall be above everything else a fighting man.

There should soon be an increase in the number of men for our coast defenses. These men should be of the right type and properly trained, and there should therefore be an increase of pay for certain skilled grades, especially in the coast artillery. Money should be appropriated to permit troops to be massed in body and exercised in maneuvers, particularly in marching.

THE WRECK AT WYATT.

Eyewitness Tells of Derailment Which Cost a Fireman His Life.

Special to The Observer.

Wake Forest College, Dec. 3.—All a newspaper wants is to be "on the spot" when anything happens.

Your correspondent was on the Seaboard passenger train No. 38, when the train was held on siding at Neuse, a few miles this side of Raleigh, because the operator at Neuse could not obtain the block ahead for the train. It was learned that the first section of freight train No. 21 had left the track about two miles up the track. The Wake Forest students on board immediately set out for the scene of all-absorbing interest at that time.

The wreck occurred directly in front of the home of Mr. John C. Fort, at Wyatt. The freight was coming down the Wyatt grade at an unusually rapid speed, and when it struck the curve leading out onto the fill in front of Mr. Fort's residence, the middle of the train, it seems, left the track, dragging twelve cars with it. These were pitched into a mass of splinters, bent iron and scattered coal. A number of people in the neighborhood were watching the train when it left the track. The time was about noon. The telegraph poles were torn down on both sides of the track.

In the mass of wreckage there were two flat cars of railroad rails, one car of lime, and the others were loaded with coal. When the middle part of the train left the track the tender was jerked from the engine with mighty force. The jerk was so great that the fireman, John Montgomery, colored, was thrown from the engine and hurled out some distance from the track. He sustained some broken bones and other internal injuries. No one else was hurt. Montgomery was taken to Raleigh for treatment. The engine was brought to a standstill a few hundred yards from where the tender left it. The cab and two other cars in the rear remained on the track. A hobo in the last car that left the rails was somewhat jarred up. It was rumored that there had been two other hobos on the train and that they were probably covered in the debris, but no bodies were found.

It was not long till a wrecking train and crew came from Raleigh, and later one from Portsmouth. About 200 feet of track was torn up and the wrecking crews set to work immediately to clear the road bed and replace the track. The work was not completed till late Sunday night. No. 38 returned to Raleigh and passed here early Monday morning. No. 41, southbound passenger, due here about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, was late and arrived here about sundown. It remained here till the track was cleared, at 4:30 Monday morning.

A large number had assembled at the wreck by the middle of the afternoon, many going from Wake Forest and Raleigh.

AT JEFFERSON ACADEMY.

Fourteen Charter Members of "Old Maids' Club" Delight An Audience and Clear $35.

Special to The Observer.

McLeansvile, Dec. 4.—The play and supper given by the young ladies of the Hesperian Society of Jefferson Academy on the evening of November 30 was a decided success in every respect. The night was ideal, the play humorous, and the supper appetizing. The costumes of the fourteen old maids, charter members of "The Old Maids' Club" were well goten up and added greatly to the success of the entertainment. The audience was convulsed with laughter from beginning to end.

The color scheme in the dining room was artistically carried out in white and gold, the colors of the society. The hour spent here was one of social enjoyment to all.

The proceeds of the evening amounted to $35, which will be used by the young ladies for the improvement of their society hall.

THE ROWAN OFFICERS.

Various Officials Turn Over Their Books to the New Incumbents—All Outgoing Officers Made Good Records.

Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Dec. 4.—Rowan county's new officers took the oath of office at noon yesterday, Prof. E. H. Miller succeeding Register of Deeds A. S. Smoot, J. H. Krider taking charge of the sheriff's office, filled by Sheriff D. R. Julian for the past six years, and Capt. J. R. Nichols receiving from A. W. Winncoff the treasurer's books. All of the retiring officers made fine records and none of them sought reelection, standing squarely on the three-term plank of the county Democracy's platform. Sheriff Krider has selected a fine lot of deputies and will make good, as will all the other new men. The new board of county commissioners with but one member of the old board upon it, elected Esquire T. M. Kens, a former Providence township man and a big farmer, now of Salisbury, chairman.

NOT THE BANK OF SANFORD.

Statement That Bank of Sanford Refunded Money Paid Out on Forged Checks Was An Error.

Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, Dec. 4.—The statement made in this correspondence in Monday's paper that the Bank of Sanford, through its cashier, has been to Fayetteville and refunded to Mrs. Yarboro $1,285 which was paid out on a forged check was erroneous. It was the Banking Loan & Trust Company, of Sanford, which did this.

Machinist in Critical Condition—Fire Destroys Residence.

Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, Dec. 4.—George Mauney, Jr., a white machinist who fell from a corner wall alongside the Southern Railway track near the Innis street crossing Saturday evening, is still in a serious condition. His physicians believe, however, that he will recover.

H. S. Livengood's residence on South Lee street was nearly destroyed Monday morning by a fire of unknown origin. The damage is estimated at $1,000, with $650 insurance. Mrs R. M. Pendleton who lives in a house adjoining the Livengood home was prostrated by excitement when the flames were discovered and has been in a critical condition since.

NEW RESIDENCE DEVELOPMENT

"Highland Heights" Suburb—County Officers Given Books—Mr. C. G. Rose New Chairman of Democratic Committee.

Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, Dec. 4.—Another residence suburb of Fayetteville is on the eve of development—a part of West Haymount, running along the line of the old Western Plankroad for about half a mile to "West Lawn!" The lots have perfect drainage and are very desirable, and the head of the development company is Mr. W. M. Morgan, one of the most public-spirited men of the city, who was the chief promoter of the Cape Fear Electric Power Company. He is now one of its directors.

The county officers-elect of Cumberland all gave bonds to-day and entered on their duties. Mr. Herbert Lutterloh, a progressive business man and large property owner, was elected chairman of the board of commissioners. The full county slate is: N. A. Watson, sheriff; A. A. McKethran, clerk of Superior Court; W. M. Walker, register of deeds; J. B. Troy, treasurer; Dr. J. V. McGougan, coroner; Charles Jessup, surveyor; Herbert Lutterloh, W. J. Olive, Lauchlin McDonald, J. M. Owen, J. W. Johnson.

The Democratic county executive committee met at the court house yesterday, called by the chairman, J. H. Myrover, to accept his resignation. Mr. C. G. Rose, an able lawyer, was made chairman.

The rebuilding of the Pemberton store on Northwest Market square, in the burned district, recalls the past of that notable business stand. There for years before the war the late Alexander Johnson, Jr., was a successful dry goods merchant, affectionately called by his friends "Little Sandy." He removed to Wilmington, where he died, and his family still reside in that city. In the same line of business, in the same store, Mr. F. W. Thornton and Maj. J. A. Prior came after him; then Mr. A. R. Carver, and the late George H. Haigh, a book and stationary dealer. There is but one unbuilt site on the burned section now.

Sunday evening, in Hay Street Methodist church the pastor, Rev. D. H. Tuttle, delivered an able sermon to Cape Fear Council No. 15, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, with a large congregation in attendance and impressive exercises.

The entertainment of the Young Women's Auxiliary of the First Baptist church, in the auditorium of the graded school was very pleasant. There were brief, bright talks by Rev. Dr. J. J. Hall and Mr. J. A. Oates; recitations by Misses Maggie Kennedy and Jessie Thomas; a duet by Misses Nellie and Lonnie Blackburn; a solo by Dr. J. R. Highsmith and an instrumental solo by Miss Elma Johnson.

Rev. J. B. Herley preached his farewell sermon as presiding elder of this district in Hay Street Methodist church Sunday morning, addressing himself mainly to the Woman's Missionary Society. He will be transferred to another field after Conference.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

Foster Barger and James Hyatt, Employes of Southern Railway, Arrested on Charge of Stealing From Railroad—Hyatt Waives Examination and is Bound Over.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 4.—Foster Barger, night-yard conductor on the Asheville division of the Southern at this point, and James Hyatt, also employed on the Asheville yards, were arraigned before Judge Jones yesterday charged with the larceny of a number of articles from the railway company. Hyatt waived examination and was bound to the Superior Court in the sum of $200. Barger, who resided at Craggy station several miles down the river from Asheville, and who has always been regarded as an efficient employe of the Southern and an upright man, after a short investigation was bound to the Superior court in the sum of $250. The men were charged with the larceny of counterpanes, ladies' cloak, pillow cases, etc., and when Chief of Police Bernard asked Barger this morning if he plead guilty or not guilty the accused replied by admitteng that he had taken one counterpane. Special Detective Frank M. Jordan, of the Southern Railway, who worked up the case, was the only witness called this morning. At the conclusion of Mr. Jordan's testimony Judge Jones held that there was probable cause and bound the defendants over.

EXPLOSIXON OF POWDER.

Cigarette Stub Cast Into Keg of Powder Creates Havoc and Injures Several People.

Special to The Observer.

Pilot Mountain, Dec. 4.—A 'phone message was received here yesterday from Round Peak, R. F. D. No. 1, of an explosion of a keg of powder in the store of Hawks & Boyles on Sunday evening, causing considerable damage to the store and seriously, if not fatally, injuring several men and boys. There had been a baptizing near the store and several of the candidates had stopped at the store to exchange clothing, and built up a fire to warm. One of the crowd struck a match to light a cigarette and threw the lighted match into a keg of powder that had been left open, causing the explosion. One side of the store building was blown off. The stock of goods was greatly damaged and the entire building would have gone up had it not been for the heroic efforts of some parties near by, who succeeded in extinguishing the flames. There were nine men and boys in the building at the time. The explosion burned the hair and most of the clothing of most of them and seriously burned them about the head and face. News reached here late last evening that Mr. S. E. Boyles, one of the owners of the store, was thought to be dying from the effects of the burning.

MATTHEWS NEWS NOTES.

Rev. J. H. Abernathy, by His Request, is Not Given Active Work—Pythians Have Oyster Supper.

Special to The Observer.

Matthews, Dec. 4.—Rev. John H. Abernathy, who recently joined the Methodist Protestant Church from the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was licensed by that Church to preach, has returned from Rocky Mount, where their Conference met, and stands without an appointment this year, by his request.

Rev. M. H. Hoyle went to Charlotte yesterday to attend the burial services of Mrs. J. B. Sikes.

Mr. John Robinson of Raleigh, who was injured in the wreck near Columbia, S. C., in the early part of the year, has returned to his home after a visit of several weeks to relatives of this place.

The Knights of Pythias gave an oyster supper at the Williams House Thursday evening and was much enjoyed by them and their families. The ministers of the place, with their families, were guests, and all had a good time socially.

The inmates of the Methodist parsonage were made happy Thursday morning by a "thanks offering" sent in by ladies of the Methodist congregation.

J. G. Rawlings, the Georgia expreacher who was hanged at Valdosta yesterday with a negro, Ali Moore, his partner in crime, for the murder of two children.

MUCH TALK OF HOMICIDE

HARRIS IS DENIED BAIL

Sole Topic of Conversation in Durham is the Incident of Saturady Night Wherein J. B. Harris Instantly Killed Maynard F. Goss by Shooting Him While in Store—Harris Surrendered Himself to Officers and is in Jail—Seems Certain That Trouble of Long Standing Caused the Homicide—Three Families Interested.

Special to The Observer.

Durham, Dec. 4.—There has been very little discovered in the homicide case in which Maynard F. Goss was instantly killed on Saturday night by J. B. Harris. It is clear that the dead man went into the store for trouble. It is equally clear that the man who did the shooting was expecting trouble. The trouble occurred. One man is dead and the other is in the county jail without bond, awaiting his trial on the present charge of murder.

CAUSES FOR THE KILLING.

There was very little said when the killing was committed. The evidence so far is that Goss went into the store and went direct to Harris. There is also evidence that he placed his hand in his hip pocket, and it was then that Harris fired the fatal shot. This is nearly all that is known about the shooting. Two people who live in the country were there trading. They heard Goss ask Harris to go out of the house, that he wanted to speak to him. They also heard Harris say that he would not go, and then they say that the quarrel between the two was such that they shied to one side, fearing trouble. They had their back on Goss, but they saw Harris as he drew his pistol from his pocket and the shot was fired, the powder burning one of the men's faces. They did not see Goss, who was in the rear of them. The clerks saw Goss as he placed his hand to his hip pocket and the shot was fired. This completes the story so far as the scene of the death tragedy was concerned.

ALL KINDS OF STORIES.

There are all kinds of stories as to what brought about this trouble. The autopsy under the direction of the coroner was held on Saturday night and the coroner's inquest yesterday afternoon. The coroner's jury found as a fact that J. B. Harris killed M. F. Goss, and he was committed without bail. In the meantime he had surrendered to police officers, this being immediately after the shooting, and he waived examination before Mayor Graham and was committed to jail.

There are stories that Harris had written notes that were of an insulting nature to Mrs. M. F. Goss and it was this that Goss resented. There is another story that Harris, who was one of the room bosses at the Durham Hosiery Mill, had discharged Mrs. Goss, who formerly worked there and that he did this in such a manner as to cause her to get mad and this brought about the trouble. There is no doubt that there had been trouble between the two for several months, probably a year or more. One witness before the coroner's jury swore that some three weeks ago Goss entered the store and, being asked if there was anything that could be done for him, he answered that there was not and then turning to Harris, who was close by, said, "There is the damn scoundrel I want to see," and added other vile names. Harris at that time walked away and left Goss, going to the office in the shoe store. After that Goss was persuaded to go away.

After this occurrence, so far as can now be learned, Harris did two things: He left the town to look for a position and he also ordered a pistol. This pistol arrived here Friday afternoon and the first shot that was ever fired from it, so far as can now be ascertained, was one that meant death to Goss.

SOLICITOR WILL SEND IN BILL.

The coroner's jury found the facts of the shooting and sent 12 witnesses before Solicitor Brooks to-day, this being done so that the solicitor would not have so much trouble in getting the facts. It is learned from the solicitor to-day that he will send a bill to-morrow morning and the trial will be decided upon later. It is hardly probable that the trial before the jury will take place at this term of court. That is to be decided after the grand jury has passed on the matter.

Almost immediately after the killing friends of Harris employed the firm of Winston & Bryant to appear for the defendant. They closed his mouth and he has been reticent since then, refusing to make any statement whatsoever. The attorneys for the prisoner were asked for a statement to-day and at one time said that they would give a statement, outlining the position taken by their client at the time of the shooting. Then it occurred that the trial might come up this week and the counsel said that they would not give out anything at this time.

The homicide has been all the talk of Durham to-day even more than it was yesterday. There are three families involved—the Gosses, the Harrisses and then the Woods, Goss having married a Miss Woods. They all have their story of the affair, but they are not talking for publication.

In a few words, however, the tragedy was the result of some long-standing trouble and the members of the three families were not much surprised when it occurred. There is a probability that the case may be tried this week.

Superior Court Convenes at Asheville.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 4.—Superior Court for the trial of civil causes convened here to-day, with Judge Oliver H. Allen presiding. There are few important cases set for trial during this term. One of the cases to be heard is that of P. R. Sumner against George W. Vanderbilt. The Southern Railway Company, as usual, is defendant in a number of cases. The most important case where the Southern is defendant is that of James Hyams by his next friend, vs. the Southern. The plaintiff is a lad, a resident of Old Fort, who some time ago had his leg cut off by one of the defendant's trains. The plaintiff demands damages in the sum of $40,000. The case is set for trial Thursday, December 13.

OUTWITS THE SURGEON.

A complication of female troubles, with catarrh of the stomach and bowels, had reduced Mrs. Thos. S. Austin, of Leavenworth, Ind., to such a deplorable condition that her doctor advised an operation; but her husband fearing fatal results, postponed this to try Electric Bitters; and to the amazement of all who knew her, this medicine completely cured her. Guaranteed cure for torpid liver, kidney disease, biliousness, jaundice, chills and fever, general debility, nervousness and blood poisoning. Best tonic made. Price 50c. at R. H. Jordan & Co.'s drug store. Try it.

CIRCUS EMPLOYE JAILED.

As Result of Trial of Circus Men Charged With Beating Conductor Slack, the Only One Positively Identified is Put in Jail—No Performance at Troy.

Special to The Observer.

High Point, Dec. 4.—It is learned that at the trial of the circus men who beat Conductor Slack into insensibility at the scene of the wreck yesterday near Troy, one of them was placed in jail as being the real instigator of the cowardly act, and the only one who was positively identified by the conductor.

From reliable source it is learned that the wreck resulted from a wagon on a car not being properly fastened. This rammed into a cattle car, killing three horses and one man. Finally it became entangled in the wheels, causing the wreck. The conductor came by after the wreck and the train crew pounced down on him, beating him almost to death, and leaving him in a field nearby for dead. The engineer went for help and the sheriff of Montgomery county was soon on the scene with a posse.

On account of the ill feeling towards the circus crowd for beating Conductor Slack so unmercifully, the people of Asheboro, it is learned, resolved on vengeance and when the show appeared there to-day to exhibit, the tax was so high that the circus refused to give any performance.

Evidence of Blind Faith.

Boston Herald.

President Patton, of Princeton University, once delivered a sermon, his subject being "Faith."

He spoke of the blind faith of the client who puts himself at the mercy of a lawyer in preparing an action for trial, and of the confidence of the sick in entrusting themselves to the physician.

"A case of blind faith," said the clergyman. "The doctor writes out a prescription. Oftener than not you cannot read it; you don't know what it is. He tells you to take it. 'Yours not to reason why, yours but to do and die.'"

Whether or not Dr. Patton meant it, there was a distinct ripple throughout the congregation.

Open the bowels—DeWitt's Little Early Risers are recommended and sold by Hawley's Pharmacy.

SENT TO HIS MOTHER.

William A. Porter, of Washington, Who Escaped From Oxford Orphanage, Sent Home—Aldermanic Committee in Pittsburg.

Special to The Observer.

High Point, Dec. 4.—William A. Porter, a 15-year-old boy who was working for the High Point Piano and Organ Company, was yesterday sent to Washington, the home of his mother, at the request of Richard Sylvester, superintendent of the police force of that city. Porter was an inmate of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, from which he escaped some time ago.

A committee from the board of aldermen are in Pittsburg, Pa., to investigate the water and light facilities there with a view of buying machinery and equipping the city plants on the best basis possible. The committee is now receiving bids for machinery, and while there will examine that in use by the city of Pittsburg.

At St. Mary's Episcopal church Sunday Rev. Alexander Grant, who lately moved here from Oliver, Va., to accept the call of this church, preached his first sermon to a large congregation. Hereafter the services of the Episcopal church will be held every Sunday, morning and evening.

The Friends' church was well filled last night to hear Dr. William C. Hubbard, vice president of the American Peace Society, talk on the peace question. Dr. Hubbard came with the personal endorsement of Vice President Fairbanks and other prominent public men. His discourse was interesting and one in which the people are interested.

The registration books closed Saturday night with a total registration of 719. At the previous election over 900 registered, but nearly 200 were challenged, bringing the total entitled to vote down to about the number registered now. The election occure December 11th.

ASTHMA SUFFERERS SHOULD KNOW THIS.

Foley's Honey and Tar has cured many cases of asthma that were considered hopeless. Mrs. Adolph Buesing, 701 West Third St., Davenport, Iowa, writes: "A severe cold contracted 12 years ago was neglected until it finally grew into asthma. The best medical skill available could not give me more than temporary relief. Foley's Honey and Tar was recommended and one fifty cent bottle entirely cured me of asthma which had been growing on me for twelve years. If I had taken it at the start I would have been saved years of suffering." R. H. Jordan & Co.

Buncombite Who is Past Century Mark.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Dec. 4.—An Asheville gentleman, who recently returned from a trip through Henderson county, is authority for the statement that near the little town of Bolliston, in Henderson county, there resides a man named Mark Simpson, who is a little more than 100 years of age and who, during this century of existence has never been more than 10 miles away from his home. Although the aged Henderson county citizen resides within a comparatively short distance from Hendersonville, the county seat, he has never during all these years visited that place. This gentleman who recently visited in Henderson county, says that Mr. Simpson is still hale and hearty, notwithstanding his five score and is able to walk around and do about as he pleases. Mrs. Simpson, the wife, is also living at the advanced age of nearly 100 years. She is Mr. Simpson's first and only wife, and has been married for many, many years.

Dr. Foust Speaks at Whitsett.

Special to The Observer.

Whitsett, Dec. 4.—Before a large audience in the chapel Saturday evening Prof. Thomas R. Foust, county superintendent of schools of Guilford county, delivered a very helpful address upon "The Qualities of True Success."

The address was much enjoyed by all present, and the 45 minutes spent in its delivery will be remembered as very helpful moments by those who were present.

A TEXAS WONDER.

There's a Hill at Bowie, Tex., that's twice as big as last year. This wonder is W. L. Hill, who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: "I suffered with a terrible cough, and doctors gave me up to die of Consumption. I was reduced to 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured." Only sure Cough and Cold cure. Guaranteed by R. H. Jordan & Co., Druggists. 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottle free.

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