of, E. K. Graham Talks Interestingly to an Observer Man Concerning the Progress That is Being Made at Chapel Hill—The Students Are Doing Better Work Than Larr Before—The Department in Science Especially Attractive—Professors Boing Scholarly Work—They Are Writing Books and Magazine Stories—The Literary Societies Improving.

Prof. E. K. Graham is spending the days here with his father, Mr. rchie Graham. Mr. Graham is asprofessor in English at the State University at Chapel Hith When uked by an Observer man how the University was getting on Mr. Gra-

The University is moving along lendidly. Taking every thing into naideration this has been the best year the institution has ever known. The number of students is one of the obvious indications of progress. Seven hundred and ten were registered during the first term, and very close to 500 of them are in the regular academic department. The professional schools are keeping pace with the development of the college.

WORK.

"The spirit of the students and their attitude toward their work seems to me to be very good indeed. The students, as a rule, work better now than they did five or ten years I mean by 'better' that they seem to know more quickly what they want to do and they go about doing it more directly and definitely. They are better prepared before they come, too, and the faculty through a system very efficiently carried out by the dean of the college, knows pretty accurately what each student is do-

COURSES IN APPLIED SCIENCE HELP.

The greatest impulse toward definiteness in the work of the students is, I suspect, in the growth in the past five years of the courses in science, especially in applied science. These appeal to a great many men who could not be interested in the general culture courses of a limited curriculum. College men want to be ready for 'a good job,' and many of them are not fitted for what are called 'the learned professions.' The fact that a number of men each year go From the college immediately into good positions in electrical engineering, in chemistry and in geology is an argument that appeals strongly to the sense of work in men who could not be aroused to activity by the old Doctors and Lawyers of Twin-City earnest prayer for divine guidance scheme of things.

CHARLOTTE BOYS DOING WELL AS CHEMISTS.

"The new chemical laboratory enrolled in the chemistry courses. Preston Irwin, who have taken resay Patterson. "The Client a sponsible positions in the North, and tient." Col. W. L. Harvey: are much smaller.

CLASSICAL DEPARTMENT IM-PROVED.

its divisions. The change means merely that there is a larger, a more University. It means increased opportunity.

THE LITERARY SOCIETIES DO-ING WELL

are larger now than they ever were. although membership is voluntary. Special to The ithserver Each of them has as many members as their halls will hold-so many infact that the business of debating is embarrassed by lack of time. A prethates. They have successfully carried out series of debates with Geor-Universities, and with a notable record of victories. They won six or and outside, 3.454, colored, 1,926 out. greater than ever before in the h'ssylvania for next fall

ARLY WORK

"The faculty is unusually active in scholarly work. During the fall Professors McGehee, Smith Raper, Hamilton and Bruner published books. and during the holidays Professors Wheeler and Cobb have read papers before the American Academy of Science in New York, and Professors Smith and Bruner before the Modern Language Society at New Haven President Venable holds the highest place within the gift of American chemists-president of the national association.

THE INTEREST OF THE ALUMNI "One special impulse toward progress is the attitude of the alumni The alumni banquets all over the State. and in several other States, on University Day and subsequent banquets at Durham and Gastonia mean a Justice on the bench. The dockets great deal in the way of inspiration

to the life of the college. THE MECKLENBURG BOYS.

Meckienburg and Charlotte have large representation-about 30. Mecklenburg for the last few years as been first or second in numbers. Almost without exception the Charlotte boys are doing well. In almost every activity in college life some one

of them is prominent. Students and faculty alike have perfect confidence in the University. d its future. We, at least, feel that has every promise of greatness." Mr. Graham is one of the most tal-

ented young men of the University faculty. He is accomplishing good results. During the last year he contributed very readable articles to two or more magazines. His rosy story of the work that is being done at the University will be read with interest by all true North Carolinians.

MADE THE GOVERNOR MAD.

State's Chief Executive Forced to Wait on Train All Night at High Point on Account of Bulletins— Will Make Recommendation. Special to The Observer.

High Point, Jan. 2.—Governor Gienn, who spent several hours here Sunday as the guest of his son, Mr. Chalmers Glenn, is "flat-footed" against the Southern Railway bulletin service as given the public nowadays, When the time for the arrival of No. 12 arrived, due here at 10 o'clock, Governor Glenn came down town and lingered at the Elwood Hotel expecting the train to be late, but was not prepared to wait until morning before he left High Point for the capital city. From the schedule time it was marked up to 1:35 o'clock. This tried the Governor greatly and the stress was even greater when the figures leaped up to 4 o'clock a. m. This was too much for his Excellenced and he applied to the railroad au-THE STUDENTS DOING BETTER thorities to be allowed to proceed to the capital on a fast through freight bound in that direction. Finally permission was granted, but no seats were to be had in the caboose, but the Governor counted standing room rare gift. However, he announced in unmistakable words that he proposed to embody some strong utterances in his message to the General Assembly with special reference to the bulletin proposition as it is regarded by the railroads, and the matter will undoubtedly receive full and free attention at the hands of the law-

makers at the next General Assembly. and wide knowledge, and thowed an Rev. W. H. Townsend and wife, who world-wide events and their tendenhave taken temporary residence in cles such as one would expect from the Cartland house on Steele street. Mr. Townsend is a member of the it is to deal with national affairs. North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church and is a native of Robeson county. It is the intention of the watch-meeting. It was a service Mr. and Mrs. Townsnd to spend several months here, with a possible view the power of God's Spirit was markof locating here.

well has returned to the city from his vacation to his old home in New London, to be at the school rooms the latter part of the week to grade new students who may wish to enter the school this year.

PROFESSIONAL MEN FEAST.

Congregate-Some Graveyard Sta-

Special to The Observer.

tistics.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 2.—The lawmakes the best sort of work possible yers and doctors of Winston-Salem in chemical research. Over 400 are gave their big banquet at Hotel annulled in the chemistry courses. Zinzendorf last night, and the members of the two professions had Some idea of the influence of this de-partment may be inferred from the Hon. J. C. Buxton was toastmaster fact that Charlotte alone has half a and the following togsts were re-dozen or more young men who have sponded to: "The Doctor," Hon. C. been graduated in the last few years

B. Watson: "The Lawyer," Dr. D. N.
with chemistry as their specialty—
Dalton, "Our Patients," Dr. E. F.
Hazel Holland, Willis Heard and Strickland, "Our Clients," Hon. Lind-"The Client and Paander

"Of course the growth of science Salem Cemetery and 27 in the Mo- of the fires-probably three-fourthsdoes not mean that the classical department has suffered. It has stead the been growing stronger in each of adults and 38 children, whose riges and thus saved damage by both average one year and four months. The number of married men buried merely that there is a larger, a more in the cemetery was 20, average age, varied, a more inclusive life at the 54 years and four months; in the graveyard, seven, average age 70 years and three months; married

ty fair test of whather they are keep- ent C. W. Masse.) This report shows During the rary at the large that there are a total of 19,375 chilseven licenses were issued from the register's office. recent record in inter-collegiate desidren in the county of these there register's office. are 5.3x0 outside the city limits and gia, Vanderbilt and Johns Ropkins colored the division is as follows: Whites inside the city limits, 3,235. seven out of nine with Georgia, three, side the city limits, and 1,760 inside out of three with Vanderbill, and two the limits. The report shows a deout of two with Johns Hopkins. For crease of 232 negro children in the vember amounted to more than \$1. this spring, debates are being arrang- county and the whites increased 126. ed with Georgia, Virginia and George, of the increase among the whites the Washington Universities and one is gain is 12% inside the city limits and arranged with the University of Penn- a decrease of two on the outside. The greatest decrease in the number THE PROFESSORS DOING SCHOL. of negro children occurred inside the city limits, there being now, according to this report, 151 less negro children in the city than a year ago. The decrease in the rural districts is \$1.

The Durham division of the Southrn road went into existence yesterone minute after midnight. The division offices are fitted up in the Trust building and in the morning one minute after the new year came, in the instruments began to tick in these offices and that portion of the Southrn road between Greensboro and Goldsborn and Durham and Keysville began to take orders from this point Mr George V. Peyton is the new superintendent and he is in charge of the offices here with a force of 15

The dockets for the criminal court have just been completed. This cour! will conven next Monday with Judge show a total of 90 cases, of which 42 are new cases. Of the 90 cases there are 47 defendants charged with selling whiskey without license

Shot by Mistake for a Burglar. Special to The Observer.

Durham, Jan 2 -- Just before midnight Monday night there came near being a tragedy enacted in Edgemont. Robert Davis was shot and seriously wounded by his friend, George Brown, being mistaken for a burglar. Davis was boarding with Brown and was trying to get in the front door when Brown shot, the ball passing entirely through the shoulder of Davis. No bones were broken or arteries cut and he is getting along very well to-day. Brown is almost pros trated by his mistake that was almost

MORAVIAN WATCH SERVICE. cial to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 2.—The Home Moravian church, beautiful in its festival decorations of cedar, holly and its trimmings of delicate vine, was crowded to its utmost capacity last evening. Chairs filled all the alsten, the spacious galleries were crowded and many who could not find seats were standing in the front vestibule and on the gallery stairs, the occasion being the annual watch meeting. The first service of the evening was devoted as has been the custom for more than a century, to the reading of statistics dealing with the conditions of the various congregations of the church and the presentation of the church and the presentation of the yearly memorabilis recounting the chief happenings of the year in the world at large, in national year in the world at large, in national and State affairs and those of purely local and denominational interest as well. The statistical report of the province was read by Rev. J. K. Pfohl and showed a year of marked growth and activity. Two hundred and twenty were received into the churches of the province during the year, and the total membership is

now 5.842. Rev. E. S. Crosland presented the report of the Salem congregation, comprising the Home church, its branches, Calvary, Christ, Fairview, East Salem and the colored churches. From his report It was learned that this congregation was the largest Moravian congregation in the world, numbers 1,521 communicants and

has a total membership of 2.113. The memorabilia next presented by Bishop Rondthaler, the able and beloved pastor of the congregation, as well as the lead of the governing board of the province, was filled with facts of vital interest and was presented in such a manner as to hold the close attention of the large congregation throughout the reading. bishop is a man of broad cultur-New citizens of High Point are intimate acquaintance with great statesmen and those whose onsiness At 11:30 p. m. an even larger congregation assembled than in of great solemnity and one in which edly evident. Familiar hymns and The city schools will open again prayer prepared the congregation for Monday next, January 7. Mr. Cro- the closing address of the year, which was delivered by Rev. Kenneth Pfold. who spoke earnestly of God and His love and plead for a new year lived to God's glory. Before the speaker had ended his remarks he was inter-rupted by the sound of the church band announcing the advent of the new year. The large congregation rose and sang a hymn^t of praise. Bishop Rondthaler then led in an and blessing in the new year and with a "Happy New Year" heard on every

FEW SERIOUS FIRES.

hand, the large company separated to

Asheville's Good Record During 1906 -Only Two Bad Fires-Licenses Issued.

their homes

Asheville, Jan. 2.—The records in fire headquarters show that Asheville imitation or other means i dividuality was to make a escaping serious conflagrations. During the entire 12 months there was a -although both of these departments and Appendicitis," Maj. J. E. Alex- uary 9, and the burning of the Burnette & Lasater carriage depository on The annual report of Mr. H. S. Foy. the night of June 12. It is doubtful superintendent, shows that during if the entire fire loss during 1906 will 1906 there were 73 interments in the exceed \$40,000. In a large majority fire and water.

Announcement is made that W. A.

Rexford has closed a deal whereby

he has sold to the Kitchen Lumber Company a large tract of timber land women in cemetery, 10, average age in Swain county. It is said that the 50 years and six months; in the grave, consideration was about \$250,000. "An illustration of the change is afforded by the literary societies. Alumni often ask why the two societies aren't as indirential in University life as they were 10 or 12 years and seven months; in grave-age. The answer is the same The University is too large to be dominated by any one influence no matter how good. But that the societies are more efficient in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one School Census of County Concluded may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent self-cent self-cent in doing their work may be seen at a glance by any one self-cent self-ce yard, six, average age 51 years and The land sold by Mr. Rexford conto by Mr Mackey, licenses had been issued and more than one prospective Durham Jan 2 - The taking of the bridegroom had left the court house school census of the county has been with a smile on his face and the completed and the figures were tabu- requisite certificate of marriage snuclated this afternoon by Superintend- ly tucked away in an inside pocket ent C. W. Masse) This report shows During the early afternoon of Monday

> The records at the Asheville prat-4.995 hands the city. As to white and office of business transacted, during the month of December, 1906, show that the receipts for the month were tory of the local postoffice. matter of fact the receipts for De-600 in excess of the receipts for the same month in 1905, and, incidentally, that month was a big one. The 70celpts in December, 1905, from the sales of stamps, newspaper postage, postal cards, etc., totaled \$4,938.73. For the same month in 1906, the receipts totaled \$5,934.94 or more than \$1,000 in excess of December, 1935. The receipts for December, 1906. s.n-ply broke all previous records at Asheville postoffice, while the the registered packag :n rumber handled also established a new rec-

> > "LEE IN DEFEAT."

Thomas Nelson Page Contributes Noteworthy Article to The South Atlantic Quarterly, Which Will Appear About January 19. Special to The Observer.

Durham, Jan. 2 .- The South Atlantic Quarterly, Durham, for January will appear about January 19. for this issue will be by Thomas Nelson Page on "Lee in Defeat." This is an exceptionally timely article, as January 19, 1907, is the 100th anniversary of General Lee's birthday.

Thomas Nelson Page was a student Washington and Lee University while General Lee was president of that institution. The Quarterly is to be congratulated on securing an article by one whose temperament. training and genius fit him so eminently to interpret the great South-

ernner Mr. Page has often in his writings referred to Lee and his contact with him, but this is the first time he has undertaken a serious study of

There will be many articles on General Lee in American magazines during the coming year, but it is sufe to say that none will be more noteworthy or significant than Mr. Page's

ERSKINE'S NEW PRESIDENT

pecial to The Observer. Due West, S. C., Jan. 2-At 8:45 by the ollege-tower clock yesterday morning. college-tower clock yesterday morning. Dr. J. S. Moffatt, of Chester, S. C., walked arm in arm with Dr. F. Y. Pressily into the college chapel and took up his work as president of Erskine College. The boys had gathered from the holidays to be present at the opening and baginuing of Dr. Moffatt's career as president. As the faculty came into the spacious chapel, "the walls roared" with the achoes of the boys hearty welcome. But the cheers were not all for Moffatt. For every yell that went up for him an equally hearty one was given for the retiring president. The nine vigorous "rahs" with "J. S." was always followed with one ending in "F. Y."

DEVORTORY.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE. After the cheering had subsided Dr. Moffatt came forward with the old, worn college Bible and read in the 25th chapter of Matthew. It was the parable of the talents. All felt its appropriateness towards Dr. F. Y. Pressly as he now laid down the college work to enter the joys of his Lord in a higher calling. Dr. Moffatt then lead in an earnest but simple prayer for Divine guidance in all the work and duties of the new year.

DR. PRESSLY SPEAKS

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After the prayer Dr. F. Y. Pressly spoke a few words, by way of farewell to the college, and of introduction of the new president. He said that this New Year's day marks an epoch in the history of the college; that it is full of promise for the future growth and aims of the college. He spoke of the brightness that now shines on the future; how that God has blessed Erskine in the past, making it an institution that stands for something in an age of change and short cuts. He congratulated Dr. Moffatt on the propitious times in which to begin his work here. He made grateful acknowledgment of the manly support and sympathy given him by the faculty and students of Erskine during his term of office. He spoke of the friendly and pleasant relations that have always existed, and of the ties of love that have grown around his heart for those with whom find for whom he has labored. He declared that he could wish his successor nothing better than that he might share the same help and sympathy that have been his while in office.

DR. MOFFATT FOLLOWS.

Dr. Moffatt followed Dr. Pressly's renarks with a short talk. He first thanked the faculty for their day and a prother of Mr. Percy Carpenter, whose marriage took place December 22.

Heyman-Friedhein Marriage An-DR. PRESSLY SPEAKS.

DR. MOFFATT FOLLOWS.

Dr. Moffatt followed Dr. Pressly's renarks with a short talk. He first thanked the faculty for their hearty welcome which had not waited for him but had gone to meet him before he left his work in Chester. In spesiking of the new work that had fallen to him Dr. Moffatt said he remembered that in his farming days it was hard for a horse that had salways walked on the land, to learn to keep in the furrow. He said this was keep in the furrow. He said this was an appropriate parable for him in his new work. He made earness and straightforward appeals for the same sympathy and assistance that have gone out to Dr. Pressly. He spoke of the difficulty of taking up this work in the middle of a session, but also of the gratification he felt in knowing the consideration that Erskine students have extended towards Dr. Pressly. He made appeal for the same consideration towards himself.

INDIVIDUALITY AN ESSENTIAL Dr. Moffatt said that the Lord had nade no two persons alike, and that made no two persons alike, and that for a person to forget this fact and by imitation or other means lose their inure. In like manner the Great Ruler has given to institutions distinct individsponsible positions in the North, and Joseph Asbury and Ernest Sifford, who hold important places in Birmhour. There may be others, I hapingham. There may be others, I hapingham. There may be others, I hapingham, the constitution. The Constitution. Hon, H. L. Beckerditex, "Our Medical Soperation of the series of the same in electrical engineering and geology—although both of these departments. The constitution of the series of the series of the series of the entire 12 months there was a total of 58 calls turned in, but only in stances did the fires result in any serious loss. These two fires were the destruction of the Wiley P. Black distillery on the night of January 9, and the burning of the Burndan and Appendicitis," Maj. J. E. Alexage and affectation of the series of the

le speke of some of the personalities be found in the distinct Erskine type of a student. First he has a general allrounded manhood that is a part of himself; second, he carries and presents
hinself well before any and all peoples;
third, he is always found on the firing
line for truth and his Church. These Dr.
Moffatt says are the distinctive trees. Moffatt says are the distinctive types of Erskine. These excellencies are invari-ably found whenever we find a true

ably found whenever we find a true Erskine type.

He spoke of the things that have produced these types, and paid a high tribute to the literary societies here. He said he wanted to see these types jealously guarded and protected, that he wanted to get close to the student body and live close to them and have them the student to him. In giving his policy

NEGRO KILLS ANOTHER.

Shelly Lezer is Shot by John Buller Near Spencer-Latter Claims It Was Accidental,

Special to The Observer

Spencer, Jan. 2 .- Shelly Leazer, colored, was instantly killed near Spencer this afternoon by John Buller, also colored, and a brother-in-law The latter claims the shooting was accidental, but he was sent to jail to await an investigation of the killing. Leazer's head was shot off with a shot-gun while at the supper table. The coroner is making an investigaMARRIAGES

Durham, Jan. 2.—Monday night Durham, Jan. 2—Monday night there was a pretty home wedding at the home of Mrs. M. A. Strayhorn when her daughter, Miss Ada, was given in marriage to Mr. Lowis M. McKee, of Raisigh, The vows were said in the presence of a few friends, Rev. E. R. Leyburn officiating. They will make their home in Rocky Mount, where the groom holds a po-Mount, where the groom holds a po-sition. The bride is the daughter of the late Isaac Strayhorn, who was so-

couple. The groom was accompanied by his best man, Mr. Dexter Preta. The groom is one, of the proprietors of the Concord Foundry and Machine Shops, and is highly esteemed. They will return to Concord to-night and will make this place their home.

Vuncannon-Wall, at Level Plains. Special to The Observer. High Point, Jan. 1.—At the home of Squire Davis, at Level Plains, yesterday, Mr. Afbert Vuncannon and Miss Annie Wall, both of this place, were united in marriage.

Heyman-Friedhein Marriage

Special to The Observer.

Rock Hill, S. C., Jan. I.—Invitations have been issued to the coming marriage of Miss Minnie Hope Freidheim to Mr. Marion Hermon Heyman on the even-Into each life some sorrow must fall: Wise people don't sit down and bawl;
Only fools suicide or take to flight;
Smart people take Rocky Mountain Tea
at night.

nounced.

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ecial to Tho Observer. Troutman, Jan. 1.—This afternoon at the home of the bride, Mr. Jacob Lippard and Mrs. Ellen Lippard were united in marriage. There was no romance about this marriage. Mrs. Lippard was a wealthy young widowand Mr. Lippard was a substantis middle-aged widower. Having live near one another all their lives it was a case of mutual confidence and esteem ripening into affection. Both of these families are well liked by the equatryside. They will reside for the present at the bride's ejegant country home. Later they will move into one of their houses in States-

THE DEATH RECORD

Dr. J. B. Williams, of Oxford.

special to The Observer.

Oxford, Jan. 2.—Dr. John Buxton Williams died suddenly at his home this morning. His death comes as quite a shock to his many relatives and friends. Dr. Williams was one of the most popular and prominent men of the community, being greatly beloved by neonle of all classes. He beloved by people of all classes. He married Miss Katie Peters, of Portsmouth, Va., who died several years He is survived by the following children: Mrs. George Frothingham, of Boston; Misses Mary and Laura Williams, Messrs William, Buxton and Williams. The funeral ser-Harry vices will be conducted on Friday evening.

Mr. J. W. Stagg, of Durham. Special to The Observer.

Durham, Jan. 2 .- J. W. Stagg, an aged citizen, who lived on South street, died this morning. He had been in declining health for quite a long time and his death was not un-expected. The burial took place to-

Sumner Remanded to Jail. Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Jan 2:- Frances Sumner, charged with the murder of Charles Powers, at the Arden railway station last week, was given a preliminary hearing this afternoon, and remanded to jail without bail. The evidence secured at the preliminary hearing was strong, and one of the counsel for the defense stated that it was improbable that an effort would be made to have Sumner released on bond through habear corpus pro-ceedings. There is much bitter feeling aroused among the Powers people on account of the killing, and it is suggested that Sumner in safer in jail

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