DR. VENABLE'S REPORT READ

President of the Institution, in His Annual Report to the Trustees, Submitted to Them at Their Meeting in Raleigh Yesterday, Reviews the Year's Work—Provision Necessary For More Students, the Present Quarters Being Crowded—Sets Forth Crying 'Need of the Schools of the State For More Trachers—An Interesting Document.

Observer Bureau, The Holleman Building, Raieigh, Jan. 23. This afternoon the trustees of the

State University met in the Governor's office, his excellency presiding, tife atomee, his excellency presiding, the attendance being large. The principal feature was the annual report by President Venable. He says that since his last report the Legislature has increased the annual appropriation for support from \$45,000 for buildings. repairs, etc. This, he says, "was sity would have been impossible on the scale of expenditure it has already reached, and the providing for addi-tional students out of the question. The relief is only partial and much still remains to be done to place the University upon the proper basis for sound efficient work." President Venable's report, in part,

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees: Gentlemen:-I have the honor of making my report for the year 1907 and of transmitting to you the reports of the deans of the various faculties simply in keeping with the changed and of other officers of the University. Since my last report which was ex-pecially dewited to the needs of the place the University upon the proper basis for sound and efficient work. The present enrollment of 785 is an increase of 54 students over last year, and teaching so large a number remains very much in the same condition as before. ADDITION TO EQUIPMENT.

The new library, begun in October, 996, was completed in the summer, but it could not be opened for use until late in September, on account of delay in receiving the furniture. The cost of the building was \$50,000, and \$5,000 was spent upon new furniture. The complete furnishing, including two more tiers of stacks for books, will carry the cost to about \$70,000. but the larger part of this expense can be postponed for a year or two. No more important addition could have been made to the life of the University. and its usefulness carnot well be overestimated. The capacity of the library is for some 175,000 to 200,000 books. There are at present about 50,000 books and 25,000 pamphlets in the library. The art and historical collections held it at present should eventually be placed in a suitable museum. Portraits of the six presidents and also of some of the donors to the li-brary have been placed in it. Other portraits will be added. The plan is to form a memorial gallery of noted professors and benefactors of the Uni-

new infirmary was completed. and has been in use during the pres- graduates and many of the underand equipment is about \$20,000. It is modern and well-designed and marks a great improvement over the inadequate quarters. There are four ward rooms, four smaller rooms, two waiting rooms, dispeneary, operating rooms, nurse's room, dining room, kitchen, closets and bath There are accommodations for twenty patients under erdinary circumstances, or thirty if necessary, The building has its own furnace and a well-installed hot water system of heating besides chimneys and fireplaces in every room. One fourth of the building can be cut off in case of contagious diseases.

The president's house to replace the one destroyed by fire in 1856, was completed in the summer at a cost of This is a handsome colonial building, thoroughly well constructed and conveniently designed. Such a building became a necessity, largely because of the inadequacy of the former residence of the official head of the University for the entertainment of

its distinguished guests.

The former dissecting hall was destroyed by fire in June, entailing a loss and of about \$900, on which there was \$450 tem. The building was imof insurance. mediately replaced so as to have all in readiness for the classes in the fall The new building is 70 by 32 feet and cost about \$1.600. It is an improvement in every respect over the old one and will doubtless prove quite satisfactory for the present.

In accordance with the resolution passed at the commencement meeting of the trustees, work has been com-menced upon a biological laboratory, to be called Davie Half in honor of Gan. Widiam R. Davier whose unselfish and unremitting labors in behalf of the University did so much to tide it over its early years and to mould it for its future that he has justly been called the Father of the University." The building committee consists of Julian S. Carr, Aifred M. Scales. George G. Stephens for the trustees, and Henry V. Wilson and Francis P. Venable for the faculty. This build-ing will be of grey pressed brick, 126x 45 feet, with two gtories, basement and me attic rooms. It is to accommoand betany and will be situated on the eastern side of the University near the arboretum which is beginning to take

It is a source of gratification to all friends of the University that its equipment has been so materially increased the following gentlemen and business In recent years. And yet in each annual report I am forced to appear in the role of one crying for more help. The University is growing very raption. This year will see a total enfolward sturn of about eight hundred sturn. rollment of about eight hundred stu- B. Wilson, of this city, and during just awakening to its possibilities, of al lively tilfs. The case was given a great people who must be trained the jury late yesterday evening and and the way opened for them to the greatest productiveness and service, dicts after about two hours deliberait was for this that the fathers planfor this that the University was not guilty of resisting arrest.

We find ourselves hampered at every turn. There is not room in dormi-tgries and town combined for the stuvictor of the classes. Other labors the time he struck him but it was tories are badly needed and increased proven Lay had no gun on him. Milequipment. The lighting plant, heat-ler has not been arrested yet for the ing system and waterworks must all assault on Lay.

CONDITION OF UNIVERSITY be enlarged. To sum up, the University should be placed immediately upon an efficient basis for the highest. best work and this means the expenditure of at least \$250,000. I feel It

> and estimates and reports were handed in by several hundred students. A fair average then for those who, under scholarships, paid no tuition was \$150; for others it was \$250. While I machines, implements and tools. Mr. have made no complete investigation Long, from Davidson, acted as "crier"

except on the principle of a general change in the standards of living, together with increased cost of board. The University fees have been increasenerous treatment in sew of the con-tion of the State Treasury. With-out it, the carrying on of the Univer-or five dollars a month, while the Uniersity Commons, where over its price to nine dollars a month, an additional charge of only one dollar. incidental expenses, under which head come many things which were once regarded as unnecessary, but are now indulged in. Much of the needless cost of commencement in the way of banquets, souvenirs, etc., has been voluntarily cut out by the students. If we sum it all up, however, I think it will be found that the total change is

Still, I regard it as most necessary University the General Assembly has absolutely necessary cost of education that he may see his way clear to acincreased the annual appropriation for as low as possible and within the
support from \$45.000 to \$70.000, and reach of every young man in the
granted \$50.000 for building, repairs,
State who has a will to get it, howthe comming Sunday where he makes etc. This was generous treatment in ever poor he may be. Two things are the comfittion of the State's necessary to this end. The University treasury. Without it, the carrying Commons must be large enough to ofview of the condition of the State's necessary to this end. The University treasury. Without it, the carrying on of the University would have been on of the University would have been applies. Its present equipment is taximpossible on the scale of expenditure applies. Its present equipment is taximpossible on the scale of expenditure ed to the utmost to accommodate two. impossible on the scale of expenditure applies. Its present equipment is taxific thad already reached and the provided to the utmost to accommodate two ing for additional students out of the hundred and fifty men. This accommodate two hundred and fifty men. The relief is only partial modation should be doubled. The old question. The relief is only partial modation should be doubled. The old and much still remains to be done to dormitories, which from necessity Rev. Dr. J. Y. Fair, of Savannah, a new brick building for the colored have been turned into lecture halls and laboratories, should be restored to Presbyterian church. Charlotte, has ready for use. It is two stories high, their original uses and thus furnish accepted the invitation to deliver the lodgings for a considerable number of ery year.

Too much outside work generally tells upon the scholarship of the student. Hence it is important that there should be other mean, of helping. This is furnished by the loan funds of which there are two, the Deems fund amounting to \$27,000, and the Martin fund, \$7.500, of which only the interest is available. Loans from these funds are limited so that no student can overburden himself with debt. The bursar's report shows \$4.269.60 loaned during the year and BIG fifty-six students helped. ably a conservative estimate to say that one-half of the total number of students either earn-or borrow in part or in whole the money needed for their education.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. The crying need of the schools is for more well trained teachers. More than seventy-five requests for teachers which reached the University had to be turned down for lack of men. The reports of Professors Walker, Noble and Toy which are appended to this paper will show what the University is doing to meet this demand. Eich year a goodly percentage of the A summer term for teachers has also been established and the southeast corner of Holiday and many will take advantage of this Samtors steets accounted by the L mode of improving themselves for their work. Walker have helped in the teachers' institutes held here and there over the State. They have also visited many school superintendents' meetings and delivered many addresses,

A short course for teachers is mapped out and offered in the catalogue, and a number of our students are preparing themselves to teach, er in this, or better still, in the full University course. But we realize But we realize that much more must be done. fessor Walker suggests the plan which recommended in my report of 1903 and in subsequent reports, namely the establishment of a teachers' college in connection with the University. This will require an annual outlay o at least \$5,000, but I am convinced that such a training school for teach-ers would cost the State much more if established elsewhere because needless duplication and that it is an absolute necessity for the efficiency and success of the public school sys-

INTERESTING POLICE CASE.

Mayor of Rock Hill Tries White Man For Drunkenness and Resisting an Officer-Defendant Fined \$25 Appenls-Case Watched With In-

Special to The Observer. G. E. Lay, an employe of the Carhartt and reserved it for use as an audi-Cotton Mills, for drunkenness. In torium. carrying Lay to the lock-up, Miller was ussisted by Mr. J. A. Robbins, and it seems Lay was pulling back and so much so that a physician was man to-morrow for interment. carried to the lock-up to dress Lay's not dressed until Sunday morning. Lay was indicted under two charges, public drunkenness and resisting ar-He asked for a jury trial, and

nts. We are called upon to keep the examination of the many witnesses with the demand of a great State on both sides these lawyers had severcorder Craig fined Lay \$20 or 30 days for dyunkenness. He through his attorney. McDow. appealed to the Cir-

There was much comment indulged dents who would enter. The Com- in concerning this case, and the out-mone Hall is inadequate in size and come will be watched with interest equipment, thus forcing many students by many, as it is reliably stated that to pay from \$2 to \$6 more a month officer Miller will be prosecuted by for board—a charge which many of Lay for assault and battling with inthem can ill afford. There are not suf-ficient lecture rooms for further di- was oftempting to draw a pistol at

SALE AT HOUSTON FARM.

It Takes Place as Advertised and Artracts Many Buyers—Catalogue Ready For the Printer—President Smith to Speak in Asheville Sun-Special to The Observer.

Davidson, Jan. 23.—The big sale advertised to take place yesterday on the farm of Dr. E. Q. Houston, attracted a large crowd of buyers, onlookers and various other classes of humanity. The doctor had pretty much everything for sale that a farmer could wish to buy, from horses and mules all the way down through cattle and hogs to goats. And very nearly a like complement of farming Is should say that these figures should and Mr. Gudger as "recording scribe." As is always the case many things spectively.

It is not easy to account for this except on the principle of a general when asked what was his reason for the sale, replied. "the difficulty in get-ting hands to work the farm and the costly price of the farm labor that can be gotten." He is reducing his agricultural operations to small mensions for the present, small at least compared with his previous rec-ord, and will walt until conditions

third of the students board, has raised change before going in heavily again. The work on the brick building to used as a transformer station for The difference must lie in clothes and the Southern Power Company is progressing rapidly, but it will probably be two weeks or more before the current can be used here. The Linden is practically ready to put its motors to work as soon as the current can be

Rev. D. J. Woods, pastor-elect of the Presbyterian church, will arrive to-morrow afternoon and remain over looking over the field meeting the members of the congregation. His coming is looked forward to with eager interest and pleasthat everything be done to keep the ure by the people, who hope earnestly

the Presbyterian church in the absence of the pastor, Dr. Camp-

sermon at commencement, before the Y. M. C. A. Mr. James Dodge, of Jacksonville, Fla., who was student here for a short time in '97, is on a brief visit with his bride to his prother stu-dents of the college .-- Mrs. Ravenell,

of Biltmore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. P. Harrison, this week. The catalogue for the current year is ready to be put in the printers' hands and will therefore appear at an early date. The enrollment is 318. The issues contains a number of new announcements of interest to Davidsonlans and to prospective students es-

BIG FIRE IN BALTMORE.

Three Firemen Killed and Many Injured in a Conflagration in the Heart of the Retail Business District-Loss Will Reach a Half-Mil-

Baltimore, Jan. 24.-The biggest fire that has visited Battimore since calamity that made the city worldfamous, to-night resulted in the death of three firemen and the injury of ment. The damage is estimated at from \$400,000 to \$500,000.

Starting some time after midnight on the third floor of the building at Saratoga stacets, occupied by the J. Professors Noble and Regester Sons Company, plumbers supplies it spread so rapidly that a general alarm followed almost immediately upon the first one sent in-A gale from the north west spread the Saratoga street side of the Regester building, the wall on that side fell. The men killed and injured were working in the building and had no warning to save themselves.

CORONER WILL HOLD INQUEST.

tigate the killing of Ed. Alired by Will M&Adoo, at Gibsonville, Tuesday afternoon of last week. From inquiries the made when he visited the scene of the shooting. Dr. Turner decided an inquest was unnecessary on account the shooting being entirely accidental, but since then some one made

es, jurymen, policemen and recorder. Hippodrome Building at the James The case grew out of the arrest last town Exposition. It is proposed to Saturday by Officer Charlie Miller of tear it down, move it to Greensboro Hippodrome Building at the James-town Exposition. It is proposed to

Mr. D. T. Dicks went to Stokes ussisted by Mr. J. A. Robbias, and it seems Lay was pulling back and sage informing him that his mother, otherwise giving the officer and his assistant some trouble when officer last night while on a visit to relatives. Miller used his club with telling effect. The remains will be taken to Randlesses much so that a physician

wounds, but the man was so crazed holders of the North Clate Fire Insur-from drink, that the wounds were ance Company this morning at 10 not dressed until Sunday morning, o'clock a 10 per cent. dividend was

ing a delightful social delightful social session was The lodge now has over 250

BANK DYNAMPTED.

Sum of \$40,000 Placed in Window as Proof of Bank's Soundness Tempts Robbers Who Dynamite Building— Member of Firm Stands by Until Money is Safely Stored.

New York, Jan. 23 .- An exploding somb wrecked the front of an Italian bank building on Elizabeth street, briefly exposing \$40,000 in silver and gold which the bankers, Pasquale A. Pati & Son, had piled in the windows as ocular proof of their ability to pay

depositors on demand. The junior pariner, Salvatore Patt. who was on guard inside, was cut by the glass, but stock by his charge and soon had the money stored away in the vanits. The score of clerks had

the explosion injured none but the younger Pati. The bomb throwers, were quickly bot in the crowd of several thousand excited Italians, who gathered about the wreck, and their motive is a mys-

"If robbery was the object, the per-petrators, it is believed, were amateurs, who lost courage at the critical ment when the tempting treasure was within arm's reach.

Pati, the efder, is one of the most prosperous of the Italian bankers of the city. This institution is capitalized at \$500,000.

LUMBER BARGES IN PORT.

Wharves at Newbern Lined With Barges Loading With Lumber-New Fiks' Building Nearing Completion
—Changes Among Rauroad Men.

Special to The Observer. Newbern, Jan. 23 .- Mr. J. Harvey Crawford will, on February 1st, be come agent for the N. & S. Railroad at Newbern, succeeding Mr. George Henderson. Mr. Crawford is at present agent for the N. & S. at Elizabeth

Quite a large number of barges are at present tied up at the wharves, loading up with lumber for the Nortaern markets. These barges carry from 250,000 to 500,000 feet of lumb st each and are continually going and coming to this market. They are without power, from 200 to 300 feet long, with a captain's house at one little is sent away by rail.

schools and everybody is busy. Two States the blacks predominate. examinations are held during the year. The Missouri, Kansas, and

car is equipped with working apparatus and models of air brake machin- effective February 18th. ery and carries a corps of instructors. During the week they are giving free instruction to the employes of the N & S. In the use and construction of the air brake. The city school board has erected that a new brick building for the colored year.

office and is by far the best building of the kind in eastern North Carolina. The cost will be about \$7,090. The new Elks' Building is nearing ompletion and within 30 days will be ready for use. basement high, and will cost about \$100,000. When completed it will be one of the finest office buildings the State. The first floor will be used as a store, the second, third and fourth for offices and the whole fifth floor by the Elks for their lodge rooms, etc. There are about 60 offices in the building and the equipment is the best. The building has the only electric elevator in the city. The Car- Company, directing that they show no olina Paper and Pulp Company is also doing a lot of building and is putting ments and in favor of cotton, naval in new machinery, preparatory to opening the mill. One machine was recently installed which weighs com-

England Reduces Discount.

plete about 128,000 pounds

London, Jan. 23 .- The rate of discount of the Fank of England was to day reduced from 5 to 4 per cent. The reduction of the bank rate wa a foregone conclusion owing to the ten more, among the latter being rapidly improving financial conditions George Horton, chief of the depart- rievalling everywhere which causel the market for discount rates to fall to 37.8 per cent.

France Follows Sult. Paris, Jan 23 .- The Bank of France to-day reduced its rate of discount from 3 1-2 to 3 per cent.

Effective Sunday, January 19th, the following changes will be made in schedule on Southern Rallway: Train No 3, leaving Charlotte at 10:45 a. m. for Washington will be changed to leave at 9:35 1. m. the fire rapidly and this and very cold weather made the work of the firemen more than usually difficult. Within a very few minutes after the flames burst from the windows of the flames burst from the windows of the Reges. leave at 3:15 a. m. Pullman sleeter will be handled or rain 4. Atlanta to Charlotte, and on 2 Charlotte to Atlanta

Southern Railway

Suspicion of Foul Play in Killing at Gibsonville Causes Coroner to Order Investigation—Citizens Buy Exposition Building.

Special to The Observer.

Greensboro, Jan. 23.—An inquest will be held by Dr. J. P. Turner, the coroner, Friday morning to investigate the killing of Ed. Alired by Will MAAdoo, at Gibsonville, Tuesday after—MAAdoo, Day coaches and Panillotte to Atlanta.

5:25 a. m., No. 27, daily for Rock Hill.

Chester, Corombia and tocal stations.

5:22 a. m. No. 4, daily, for Washington and points North. Fandles day coaches. Atlanta to Washington. Full-Special to The Observer.

Rock Hill. S. C. Jan. 23.—One of the largest mayor's courts held here in many days was held yesterday afternoon in the City Hall auditorium, the mayor's office not being large enough to accommodate the visitors witnesses, jurymen, policemen and recorder. The case grew out of the arrast last town Exposition. It is proposed to service.

Washington to Auguste. Dining service.

10:05 a. m., No. 36, daily, for Washington and points North. Pullman Drawing Room sleepers to New York and Richmond. Day coaches, New Orleans to Washington. Dining car service. Connects at Greensboro for Winston-Salem, Raleigh and Geldsboro.

9:35 a. m., No. 31, daily for Washington and peants North. Pullman Drawing Room sleeper to New York, day coaches Jacksonville to Washington. Dining car service.

man to-morrow for interment.

At the annual meeting of the stock-holders of the North Matter Fire Insurance Company this morning at 10 o'clock a 10 per cent. dividend was declared. All the old officers were re-elected.

Over one hundred Eiks attended last night's meeting, when the initiation was conferred upon Dr. M. F. Fox of Guilford College. The lodge elected one applicant to membership and received twenty-seven applications. Following the pushness meeting a delightful social session was beld. The lodge now bas over 250

5:40 p. m., No. 25, dally except Sunday, freight and passenger, for Chester, S. C., and local points.
6:65 p. m., No. M., dally for Washington and points North. Pullman sleeper, Augusta to Lew York. Pullman sleeper, Alken to New York. Duly conches to Washington. Dining car service.
6:50 p. m., No. 24, daily except Sunday, for Statesville. Taylorsville and local points. Connects at Statesville for Asheville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Memphis and points West.
8:70 p. m., No. 35, daily, New York and New Orleans Limited for Washington and Club cars to New York. Dining car service. Solid Pullman train.
9:25 p. m., No. 35, daily, for Atlanta and points South. Pullman Drawing Room sleepers to New Orleans and Birming-barn. Day caaches. Washington to New Orleans. Dining car service.
Tickets, sleeping car reservations, and detail information can be obtained at ticket office. No. 11 South Tryon street.

1. H. ANNERT.

Weshington, D. C.
R. L. VERNON, T. P. A.

Washington, D. C.
R. L. VERNON, T. P. A.

Charlotta N. C.

AND PETTEE MACHINE SHOPS COTTON MACHINERY

Pickers Revolving Flat Cards Railway Heads and Drawing

Frames



Slubbing Intermediate and Roving Frames Spinning Frames Speclers and Reels

A. H. WASHBURN, Southern Agent CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

NEW SHIPMENT

Rosette Irons, price 50 cents.

Rosette Patty Irons, 50 cents.

Heart-shaped Waffle Irons.

J.N. McCausland & Co.

Stove Dealers and Roofing

Contractors.

No: 221 S. Tryon.

By mail 70 cents.

By mail 75 cents.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

end. When a number are louded an ocean-going tog takes from one to before the South Carolina General Assight and toys there to the Northern cities. During year come 300 parges of the lifteenth amendment and the leave here with lumber, while very tion as a means to offset, as he said This is examination week at the city inevitable negro domination in the

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas, one in January and the other in Railway, of Texas, yester as applied to the State railroad commission for The International Correspondence authority to sell 1,000 mile passenger School instruction car No. 104 is here transportation books at the rate of 2 and will remain until Tursday. This cents a mile, good over the entire system is equipped with working appartum. The application was granted

Adjutant General William E, Mickle, 'ed Confederac Veterans has notified the arrangements com tractee for the annual reunion to be id in Birmingham, June 9, 10 and 11 that two parades will be given this

Edward Alexander McDowell, who has been recognized as foremost composer, died at the Westminster Hotel in New York, at o'clock last night. He was 46 years of age.

Dennis Hall, of Houston, Texas, yesterday shot and killed J. T. Jones. It is five stories and an oil field employe whom Hall accused of having insulted his sister Notwithstanding that Jones denied the charge. Hall fired repeatedly at Jones whose body was riddled with bullets. Judge George T. Cann, in the Su-perior Court at Savannah, Ga., yesterday rendered an opinion holding that the court had jurisdiction and issuing a restraining order against the Ocean Steamship Company and the Merchants and Miners' Transportation

> WANT WE business for Plumbing, Heating and Supplies.

HACKNEY BROS. CO.

6 WEST FIFTH STREET, 'PHONE 312.

WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY

If you are in the market for anything in the Jewelry or Diamond line. We carry the largest assortment of highclass Silver, Cut Glass and Sterling Sliver in the State, Mail orders filled promptly. Prices as low as you can get from mail order houses, when quality is considered.

BRUNS

Nos. 8,284 and 7,044, winning our first and third prizes, have not been called for.



Eat anything you want, don't starre our sit, fearing it won't agree, for Holster's Rocky Mountain Tea clears the MACHINERY towels and stomach, and makes digestion ersy. 35c., Tea or Tablets. R. H. Jordan For Farm and Factory

Engines

Three kinds, from 12 to 150 H. P. Boilers

Return Tubular and Portable on skids, from 12 to 150 H. P.

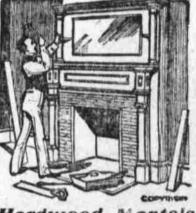
Improved Gin Machinery Single Gins and Presses and com-plete outfits of capacity of 190 bales per day and over. Saw Mills

Four or five kinds, all sizes in use in the South.

Pulleys and Shafting All sizes, from the smallest to com-

LIDDELL COMPANY

Charlotte, N. C.



Hardwood Mantels We manufacture and carry a large

stock of Hardwood Mantels; also dealers in Tile and Grates. Can fill Write for cata-

J. H. WEARN & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

Dr. E. Nye Hutchison. J. J. Hutchison. E. Nye Hutchison & Son

FIRE, LIFE, ACCIDENT

INSURANCE

OFFICE No. 9 Hunt Building. Bell 'Phone 4392.

"WE ARE NOT MISSOURIANS

but we can SHOW you."

"We do not keep good horses and mules, but WE

When you buy anything from us you take absolutely no risk, for everything we sell must be just as repre-

If you don't look at our line we both lose, and all we ask is to give us the same chance you would any one else, and if you do that we can sure trade with you.

J. W. Wadsworth's Son's Co.

Horses, Mules, Vehicles, Harness, Etc.

THE CHARLOTTE SUPPLY CO

American All-Wrought Steel Split Pulleys and "Giant" Stitched Rubber

We carry in stock Yale and Towne Hoists up to six tons capacity; also a full line of Packing, Pipe, Valves and Mill Supplies.

WHAT'S THE USE

To lose your temper when that engine breaks down or that pump won't work, or about the hundred and one other things that go wrong about a cotton mill or oil mill. Send for us and FORGET IT. That's our business-any kind of machine repairs, and especially those that must be done right now.

Machine & Mfg. Co.

THE D. A. TOMPRINS CO., CHARLOTTE, N. C.