

SPRING SESSION ENDED

PRESBYTERY IS ADJOURNED
Session of Mecklenburg Presbytery at
Huntersville, a Most Pleasant One
and the Body Thanks the Citizens
For Hospitality—Considerable
Discussion Brought on Yesterday in
Regard to the Tithing System—Report
of Home Missions Committee
Made and Its Recommendations
Adopted—Only Small Number
of Families Holds Regular Family
Worship—Other Doings at the Closing
Session.

Special to the Observer.
Huntersville, April 17.—The meeting
of Mecklenburg Presbytery, which
held its closing session to-day, was
declared to be one of the most pleasant
and one of the most profitable in
the memory of any of the members
of the body. The presidency and
wise ruling of Moderator R. A. Dunn
gave the highest degree of satisfaction
to Presbytery, and was full evidence
that no mistake was made in
selecting him to this responsible position.
In addition to his influence as a
Christian layman in the moderator's
chair, his gift in executive ability was
of great value in expediting the business
of Presbytery. The largest degree
of hospitality and the best entertainment
was given the representative
visitors by the people of Huntersville,
and nothing was left undone that
could add to the comfort and pleasure
of the guests.

VOTE OF THANKS.
At the closing session a vote of
thanks reading as follows was presented
and adopted unanimously by a rising
vote:
"1. The Presbytery desires to express
its heartfelt appreciation of the cordial
Christian hospitality which it has received
from the members of the Huntersville
Presbyterian church and to the thoughtful
pastor and members of the Associate
Reformed Presbyterian church.

"2. Also to our moderator for the
efficiency, dignity and fairness with
which he has presided over the sessions
of our Presbytery. The largest degree
of hospitality and the best entertainment
was given the representative visitors
by the people of Huntersville, and
nothing was left undone that could
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the guests.

Rev. G. F. Robertson, Moderator,
The first report submitted was that of
the home missions committee, which
was read by Rev. G. H. Atkinson,
chairman of the committee. The report
commended of this committee that
\$3,705 be raised in Presbytery during
the coming year and be appointed to
the various home mission churches
was adopted. The recommendation
was also adopted that a religious
campaign be carried on in the home
mission fields of Presbytery during
the summer months of the present
year.

A committee, consisting of Revs. G.
W. Beik, J. E. Berryhill and J. L.
McKinstry and Elders C. L. Abernethy
and John McDowell, was appointed
to devise plans for the raising of
the \$5,500 of the floating debt on
the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.
Presbytery has been requested to
raise.

Rev. G. F. Robertson, Rev. F. D.
Jones and the minister who shall
become pastor of the Second Presbyterian
church, Charlotte, were nominated
and elected trustees of the Albarne
Normal and Collegiate Institute.

LITTLE FAMILY WORSHIP.
The report on the canvass of families
touching family worship showed
that only a small proportion of the
families reported hold regular family
worship. A canvass had been made
in all of the churches, however,
and this report will be completed
at the fall session of Presbytery,
and the churches that have not
made the canvass were instructed to
do so between now and the time of
that meeting.

The report of the committee on
Baptism Springs Ordination was
read and adopted. This report commended
highly the work of Rev. John
Wakefield as superintendent and recommended
the installation of electric
lights and the erection of another
building to be used as a dormitory as
soon as possible.

DISCUSSION ON TITHING.
The resolution of Rev. G. F. Robertson
recommending the urging of
the tithing system by the pastors to
their people as an obligation and
as the minimum of their giving to the
Lord was the subject of considerable
discussion last night. Rev. H. M.
Parker and Rev. C. E. Raynal took
the ground that while tithing is scriptural
in this day it is not wise to
press this claim upon people as an
obligation; that it should not be
presented as binding. The subject was
referred to a special committee, and
the report of this committee recommended
the title as the minimum of giving,
but abolished the obligation feature.
Mr. Robertson introduced a
minority report adhering to his original
idea as to the tithing system.

Rev. A. R. Shaw stated that while
he adhered to the giving of the tithe
himself as a minimum of his giving,
and while he had organized a tithe
givers' league, which he hopes will
be of great benefit to the church, he
did not regard the giving of the tithe
as binding, but that its giving should
be left to individual discretion. The
report of the special committee was
adopted.

A recommendation to increase the
salary of the stated clerk from \$50
to \$75 was adopted.
The report of the special committee
appointed to devise plans by which
Presbytery can liquidate the \$5,500
of the floating debt on the Presbytery
College which has been apportioned
to it.

A special committee was appointed
also to re-apportion the assessments
of Presbytery for all benevolent causes.
The first Tuesday in October at 7:30
p. m. was selected as the time for
the opening of the fall session of
Presbytery, which will be held in
Bethel church. An adjourned meeting
will be held in the First Presbyterian
church of Charlotte on June
13th, at which time candidates for
the ministry will be licensed and any
other necessary business will be transacted.

The consideration of the resolution
passed at an adjourned meeting of
Presbytery held last fall ordering that
no call be placed in the hands of any
minister unless a salary of \$900 is assured
was deferred until the fall
meeting.
At 12:30 Presbytery adjourned
with the benediction.
Governor to Speak at Closing of
Huntersville School.
Special to the Observer.
Huntersville, April 17.—The
Huntersville High School commencement
will take place next Friday. In the
forenoon the declamatory contest will
take place. At 2 o'clock Governor
Glenn will speak and after this will
be a game of baseball between the
locals and a visiting team. At 8
p. m. the evening exercises begin.
These will consist of recitations by
some of the young ladies, a march
and a play. This important event of
the school year is looked forward to
with pleasant anticipation.
Francis, the little daughter of Mr.
W. R. Blythe, who has been so seriously
ill for some time, is improving
and seems to be on the road to
recovery.

VARIETY OF NEWBORN NEWS.

Christian Church Calls a Washington
Pastor Who Accepts—Summer
School For Teachers at Vanceboro
—School Building to Be Enlarged
—Contract Awarded For Jewish
Synagogue.
Special to the Observer.
Newborn, April 17.—Rev. C. C.
Jones, of Washington, D. C., a
preacher in the Christian church here,
preached in the Christian church here
last Sunday, after which a call was
given him to become pastor of the
church. He has accepted and will
soon return to Newborn and take
up his work.

Mr. R. H. Phillips is in Greenville
recovering from a severe attack
of grip. He was quite sick for several
weeks and, as he did not improve
rapidly here, he decided to go
west for a change of air, and also
his farm in Moore county.

A four weeks' summer school will
be held in Vanceboro beginning in
July for the teachers of this county.
Prof. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College,
will be the director and other men of
ability will assist.

Two new markets have been opened
this week. One known as the
Central market is run by Messrs.
Charles Swert and C. D. Harvey and
is next to Royall's store on Broad
street. Messrs. Clemmons and Godde
who came from Ohio, have opened
the market formerly run by Mr. G.
B. Waters and it retains its old name
of the Oaks market.

The Womans Club expects soon to
present the opera "The Pirates of
Penzance." The local talent will take
part.
A few days ago a colored fisherman
brought a sturgeon to market
which was eight feet long and weighed
over 100 pounds. It is very seldom
that such fish are caught in the
near-by waters, but this large one was
in a few miles of Newborn and managed
to get entangled in the net and after
a sharp fight was captured.

The Tabernacle Baptist church will
have a free led in the Stewart Sanatorium,
thanks to the efforts of Rev.
J. W. Ham, the pastor. Mr. Ham
saw the need and managed to get
funds to pay \$1 a month to support
the same.

The eastern part of the State is a
great corn section, but corn is constantly
brought here from elsewhere.
The school of Edna Pogue came in
this week with ten thousand bushels
for the J. A. Meadows Company.

Jacob Green, a colored man 60
years old, is in jail for stealing brass
knobs. The metal has been missed
for some time and the effort to
catch the thief was unsuccessful until
a few nights ago, when Mr. Clarence
Smith caught the thief as he was
loading up a sack with the brass.

During court last week arrangements
were made by which the board
of trustees of the city schools will
borrow \$15,000 from the Griffin fund
and erect an addition to the new
building which was put up about
four years ago. It is intended to
have a basement, six rooms and an
auditorium; the school is now
occupied in the same and it is
expected that work will begin on
the building in sixty days.

Messrs. J. J. Wolfenden, T. A.
Green and Mrs. J. A. Meadows are in
charge of the case of Messrs. vs. Wolfenden
in which Mr. Wolfenden is being
sued for \$25,000 as a lawyer's fee in a
recent timber deal.

Uncertainty in the timber trade has
been awarded the contract to build
the Jewish Synagogue at \$4,200. Light
pressed brick will be used and the
structure will be erected on Middle
street, on the site of the Presbyterian
church yard. This lot has been held
by the Jews for quite awhile for a
synagogue but until the present they
have not gone ahead with their plans.

PROF. C. W. WILSON RESIGNS.
Unexpected Action on Part of Superintendent
of Scotland Neck Graded
School.
Special to the Observer.
Scotland Neck, April 17.—At the
regular session of the board of trustees
for Scotland Neck graded schools
this week Prof. C. W. Wilson, superintendent
of the schools, tendered his
resignation to take effect at the end
of the present school year, June 3d.
Professor Wilson's resignation was
quite a surprise to the board, as
there has never been one particle of
friction between him and the board
since the opening of the schools five
years ago. He took charge of the
schools at the beginning and has carefully
and wisely planned the entire
work, until now, by the aid of a
competent corps of teachers, he turned
over to the town one of the best
ordered and most carefully managed
schools in the State. It is safe to
say that no other town of this size
in the State has a better system of
schools than Scotland Neck. The
board was not prepared to take
action on Professor Wilson's resignation,
not thinking of such, and has asked
him to let the matter rest a few days,
which he will do. They hope to be
able to induce him to reconsider the
matter and remain in charge of the
school. The board feels as if it would
be a severe blow to the schools for
Professor Wilson to leave, and the
people of the town and community
feel that they cannot afford to lose
him as a citizen. He is universally
popular with children, parents, trustees
and the whole people. Professor
Wilson is regarded as one of the leading
educators in the State, and his
reputation is well earned in the fine
work he has done during the last
fifteen years. But the people of Scotland
Neck will keep him if it is at all
possible to do so.

Five-Year-Old Boy Drowned in Pigeon
River.
Correspondence of the Observer.
Canton, April 16.—The 5-year-old
son of John Hyatt, the foreman of
pipe fitters of the Champion Fibre
Company, was drowned in Pigeon river
yesterday afternoon about 4
o'clock. The Hyatt family came here
from Pittsburg a few months ago and
reside in Fiberville just below Canton.
The child drowned and a younger
brother were playing on the banks
of the river a short distance
from their home. The first known
cause of death was that nothing
could be seen and dragging the river
produced no results, though it
continued till 4 o'clock this morning.
After daylight a cordon of men entered
the river at the place the child fell
in and keeping close together by
means of holding a rope extending
from bank to bank, waded down
stream. At 4 o'clock found the
body about two hundred yards from
the place of drowning.

FOR CONTINUATION.
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DURHAM SCHOOLS CLOSE.

All Those in Country Districts Suspend
For the Summer—Odd Fellows
School For Teachers at Apex, Where
Several Addresses Will Be Made.
Special to the Observer.
Durham, April 17.—To-day all the
public schools in the county, outside
of those in Durham township,
closed for the vacation period. At
most of the schools there were interesting
exercises by the children and
at several addresses and other features
took place. The schools have
completed, so Prof. C. W. Massey,
county superintendent, says, an exceedingly
prosperous year. The attendance
and enrollment were larger than
a year ago. In addition to attending
regularly the teachers had the
advantage this year of instruction
from several members of the Trinity
College faculty.

Next Monday the Odd Fellows of
Durham will go on an Easter picnic
to Apex, a special train being operated
from here to Dunn. At Apex the
Odd Fellows are planning for a big
time. There will be a celebration
and corner-stone laying and the
Durham Odd Fellows will attend in a
body and participate in the exercises.
After the picnic to be served
in picnic fashion, there will be
speeches by Messrs. E. W. Poul, Perlin
Busbee and J. Y. Joyner. At
Fuquay Springs there will be a big
picnic and people for miles around
are expected to attend in large numbers.
Many who go from here and
the prospects are that there will be
a train load—will go on to either
Duke or Dunn to spend the day.

Next Sunday Rev. G. T. Adams,
pastor of Trinity Methodist church,
and Mr. R. O. Everett, attorney for
the anti-saloon league in Durham,
will deliver addresses at the Mineral
Springs school, Oak Grove township.

Doctor Talk at Convention.
Spartanburg Journal.
The doctors at Anderson have been
discussing some very interesting subjects.
Among them we note: "Torsion
of the omentum," "Arterio sclerosis,"
"Posture, respiration, diet, intestinal
auto-intoxication," "Placenta
prævia," "Uterine prolapse" and "Puerperal
sepsis." Wish so much we
could have been there.

"Casey at the Bat."
To the Editor of the Observer:
Can't you induce De Wolf Hopper,
when he appears at the Academy
Monday night, to recite the famous
baseball poem "Casey at the Bat"?
He and you will confer a lasting favor
on your many friends and admirers.
A READER.

Governor Johnson's Chances.
Norfolk Landmark.
Governor Johnson, of Minnesota,
appears to think that he has a chance
to get the nomination, in the case of Mr.
Bryan's long lead. We think so,
too.

THE WEATHER.
Washington, April 17.—Forecast:
Virginia, showers Saturday in west and
by night in east portion, warmer; Sunday
showers, probably followed by clearing;
light to fresh southeast to south
winds.
North Carolina, South Carolina and
Georgia, local showers and warmer
Saturday; Sunday generally fair; light to
fresh east winds.
East Florida, local showers Saturday
and probably Sunday except generally
fair Sunday; fresh northeast winds.
Western Florida, showers Saturday;
Sunday generally fair; light to fresh
southeast to south winds.
Alabama, local showers Saturday,
warmer in interior, Sunday fair; light to
fresh southeast to south winds.
West Texas, generally fair Saturday
and Sunday.
Arkansas, local showers Saturday;
Sunday fair.
Tennessee, local showers Saturday,
warmer in central and east portions;
Sunday fair.
Kentucky and West Virginia, showers
Saturday; Sunday generally fair.

LOCAL OFFICE U. S. WEATHER
BUREAU.
Charlotte, April 17.—Sunrise 5:48 a. m.;
sunset 6:57 p. m.
TEMPERATURE (in degrees).
Highest temperature . . . . . 61
Lowest temperature . . . . . 47
Mean temperature . . . . . 54
Deficiency for the day . . . . . 13
Accumulated excess or the month . . . . . 83
Total for the year . . . . . 159
PRECIPITATION (in inches).
Total for 24 hours ending 8 p. m. . . . . 7
Total for the month . . . . . 0.50
Accumulated deficiency for month . . . . . 1.49
Total for the year . . . . . 14.70
Accumulated deficiency for year . . . . . 0.65
Prevailing wind direction . . . . . N. E.
W. J. BENNETT, Observer.

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