

COLORED TRAINING SCHOOL.

Durham Merchants Go After the Institution For Their Town—About \$150,000 Will Be Expended in the Erection of Buildings—Object of the School is to Train Colored Men Special to The Observer.

Durham, April 24.—The directors of the training school for the colored ministry to be located somewhere in North Carolina, have endorsed the action of the merchants association in securing a site from Mr. Brodie L. Duke and the school appears to be a certainty for Durham.

There are strings to the recommendation. The site offered by Mr. Duke is to be sold for \$1,500 and a 20-acre lot in Hayti, the colored settlement, Mr. Duke agrees to sell it at cost and to give half the amount to the school. The directors have declared that they will locate the buildings here if the colored people will lift the site and start unencumbered. They have raised \$1,400 of the necessary funds.

This school is to be fashioned after the Bible and training schools of Northfield and Winona Lake, having chautauqua features and national in its scope. It is to be composed of three big buildings, to cost about \$150,000 and will be endowed with a fund of \$200,000. Dr. James E. Shepard is the procuring spirit in it and he has the pledges of big men that their money will come when it is necessary. In addition to that array of buildings, it is planned to have a big hotel for the use of the colored people.

There has been a lot of rivalry for the school. Irmo, S. C., gave a site of 250 acres and Hillsboro stood in favor as did Greensboro. The business men of several cities have materially encouraged them and the chance for Durham is unquestionably all that it needs be.

THOMASVILLE NEWS NOTES.

Picker Stick Company Doubles Its Capital—Stock—Masse Meeting to Name Municipal Ticket.
Special to The Observer.

Thomasville, April 24.—The Thomasville Picker Stick Company held a meeting a few days ago and decided to increase the capital to double the present amount and to double the output of the plant. Mr. O. R. Cox was elected president; Mr. A. H. Ragan, secretary and treasurer and Mr. P. R. Mason, superintendent and manager. The future of this plant is very bright. It is one of the business plants in the town as well as one of the best paying.

All the merchants of the town have made an agreement by which all places of business will be closed every evening at 7:30 o'clock, except Saturday nights from May 1 until September 1. This gives the merchants shorter hours and makes the business less confusing.

Mayor W. O. Burch has issued a call for a mass meeting to be held in the opera house Friday night, April 30, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of naming a mayor and five commissioners to be voted on at the coming municipal election to be held Monday, May 2.

A building and loan association is being organized here and the capital stock is being subscribed to very liberally by all classes of people. Thomasville needs such an organization.

Rockingham District Conference.
Special to The Observer.

Laurinburg, April 25.—The Rockingham District Conference of the Methodist Church will meet at Fairmont April 29-May 2. Rev. W. H. Moore, D. D., of Rockingham, the presiding elder, will preside. A special train will be run from Pennington to Fairmont on Wednesday the 28th, leaving immediately after the arrival of the Seaboard Air Line train from Hamlet. This will enable all to make the trip that day without the inconvenience of the long wait at Pennington. This train will only run Wednesday.

Bishop Haid at Durham.
Special to The Observer.

Durham, April 26.—Bishop Leo Haid, of Belmont, is in the city tonight and this evening preached and administered the rite of confirmation besides the holy communion while here. Bishop Haid was the guest of Father O'Brien while in the city. A good number of Protestants went out to hear the services.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, April 26.—Forecast: Virginia, partly cloudy Tuesday, warmer in the interior; Wednesday showers, cooler in the interior; light to moderate variable winds.

North Carolina, partly cloudy Tuesday, warmer in the interior; Wednesday showers, cooler in the interior; variable winds.

South Carolina, Georgia and east Florida, partly cloudy with occasional showers Tuesday and probably Wednesday, warmer Tuesday, variable winds.

West Florida, Alabama and Mississippi, showers Tuesday and probably Wednesday, cooler Wednesday; light to moderate south winds becoming variable Wednesday.

Louisiana, showers Tuesday; Wednesday generally fair and somewhat cooler; variable winds.

East Texas, partly cloudy Tuesday, local showers in the interior; slightly cooler in west portion; Wednesday, fair; moderate to brisk south winds on the coast.

West Texas, fair Tuesday, cooler in north and east portions; Wednesday fair, Arkansas, showers and cooler Tuesday; Wednesday fair, warmer in west portion.

Tennessee and Kentucky, showers and cooler Tuesday or Tuesday night; Wednesday fair, cooler in east.

West Virginia, fair, increasing cloudiness and warmer Tuesday; showers and cooler at night or Wednesday.

LOCAL OFFICE U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.

Charlotte, April 26.—Sunrise 5:37 a. m.; sunset 7:44 p. m.
TEMPERATURE (in degrees).
8 a. m. 56; noon 71; 4 p. m. 78; 8 p. m. 70
Highest temperature 78
Lowest temperature 52
Mean temperature 62
Excess for the day 16
Mean temperature for year 52
PRECIPITATION (in inches).
Total for the month to date 1.70
Deficiency for month 1.32
Deficiency for year 6.46
Prevailing wind direction S. W.
W. J. BENNETT, Observer.

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