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TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

THE ATTENDANCE LARGE AND VERY SATISFACTORY.

The Institute Being Conducted by Superintendents Mills and Sams, and Miss Watson—in Louisburg Female College.

In accordance with the announcement as published in the TIMES last week, the Teacher's Institute for Franklin county opened in the Chapel of the Louisburg Female College on last Monday morning. County Superintendent, R. B. White, was present to perfect the organization, after which Superintendents Mills, of the Louisburg Graded Schools, Superintendent Sams, of the Franklin Graded Schools, and Miss Watson, a teacher of the Henderson Graded Schools, were put in charge.

It was indeed gratifying to Prof. White, as well as all others interested, to see such a large number of teachers in attendance. This is a good omen, and the conductors of the Institute are highly pleased with not only the punctuality of the teachers, but give them high praise for the great interest they have manifested all through the week in their studies.

The daily programme for this week has been as follows:

- 9:30-9:45—Opening Exercise and Roll Call.
- 9:45—Primary Work, Miss Watson.
- 10:35—History, Supt. Mills.
- 11:15—Pedagogy, Supt. Sams.
- 11:50—Physiology, Supt. Mills.
- 12:35—English, Supt. Sams.
- 1:00—Dinner.
- 2:30—Arithmetic, Supt. Mills.
- 3:15—Agriculture, Supt. Sams.
- 4:00—Phonics, Miss Watson.

The Institute for the white teachers will continue through next week, and the daily programme will be slightly changed, Geography being substituted for English, and Reading and Literature for Physiology.

The following is a full list of the teachers in attendance, which includes nearly every white teacher in the county:

- Misses Dora Alston, Lessie Foster, Mrs. E. C. Jones, Laurel.
- Misses Emma Alston, Gussie Winn, Epom.
- Misses Sadassa Edwards, Pearle Stallings, Alice Hines, Bettie Bowen, Spring Hope.
- Misses Estelle Pernel, Onnie Tucker, Ouida Tucker, Mary Malone, Sam Hight, Katie Furman, Fannie Jones, Lucy Pernel, Lily J. Hayes, Florence Terrell, Elizabeth Jacobs, Jennie Aycocke, Mesdames M. F. Latham, C. W. Roberts, and Messrs. R. B. Massenburg, Jr., W. R. Young, Louisburg.
- Misses Willie Staley, Kate Whitfield, Annie J. Perry, Minnie Morris, Mrs. H. Winston, Sallie E. Woodlief, Franklinton.
- Misses Lilla Gupton, Woods Chesapeake, Castalia, Lizzie Clifton, Westville, Annie E. Mangum, Westham; Beattie C. Woodlief, Bobbitt, Euzelia Stallings, Cedar Rock.
- Misses Geneva Jeffreys, Ella Harlow, and Mrs. R. J. Conyers, Youngsboro.
- Miss Pattie Davis and S. Y. Macon, Glendale.
- Misses Myrtle Stallings, Wirtie Glasgow and W. H. Sledge, Stallings.
- Misses Lola Jackson, Lucy Webb, and E. L. Beat, Mapleville.
- Messrs. J. R. Hicks, Hickory Grove; A. M. Jones, Stam; L. N. Jones, Roleville.
- A few of the teachers, we understand, are detained at home on account of sickness.
- It is the purpose of Superintendent White, and he is heartily seconded by the teachers, to form a Teacher's Association at the close of the Institute next week.
- The Institute for the colored

teachers will open on Monday, August 13th and continue one week. It will be held in the Court House, and will be conducted by Superintendents Sams and Mills.

Open Again.

The stock of drugs of G. L. Aycocke was purchased yesterday from W. H. Ruffin, Assignee, by the following: Capt. P. G. Alston, A. W. Alston, W. E. Beasley and A. W. Perry, Jr. The store was opened yesterday evening, with G. L. Aycocke as Manager, who will be glad to have all of his old customers and friends come in to see him. More particulars next week.

Recital at Baptist Church.

There will be a Recital at the Baptist church next Wednesday night, complimentary to the teachers attending the Institute. An interesting programme will be arranged, which will be rendered by the best musical talent of the town. The TIMES commends this action on the part of our musical citizens who wish to aid in making the stay of the hard-worked teachers pleasant while here.

Samuel Ashton Killed.

Mr. W. N. Fuller handed us this week a copy of the Birmingham Age-Herald, which contained an account of the death of Samuel Ashton aged 22 years. He was an electrician and was in the employ of the Railway, Light and Power Company of that city. His death was caused by a heavy charged switch while connecting a transformer. Young Ashton was a son of Frederick Ashton who lived for several years near Mapleville, in this county. They left here to make Birmingham their home about twelve years ago. Speaking of the deceased the Age-Herald says:

"General Manager Emery said yesterday that the company considered Mr. Ashton a very competent man and that he had been in the service for many years. Not only the officials of the company, but employees as well, like Mr. Ashton and his untimely end caused expressions of sorrow on all sides."

The Times in Germany.

The editor of the TIMES was very much pleased to receive a "Post Card" this week from Miss Helen Crenshaw, who was, on the date it was written (July 22) in Dresden, Germany. The card read as follows:

"MR. THOMAS: You don't know what a treat your paper is and I must send this card to let you know how I enjoy it."

The editor is also glad to know that Miss Helen and her party are having a delightful trip.

Ice Cream Supper.

There was quite an enjoyable ice cream supper given at the home of Mr. J. F. Murphy near town on Tuesday night of this week. Quite a number of young people, as well as older ones gathered on proper time and spent the evening in the highest amusement. The cream and other refreshments served only added to the enjoyment of the occasion. All were unanimous in their praises to the excellent and masterful manner in which they presided.

Increased Business.

It seems that the home Companies are getting there. J. A. Turner, representative of the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, received this week the following telegram from E. Caldwell, Jr., secretary of said Company:

"Applications received in July exceed one million. Many thanks for your large contribution thereto." Mr. Turner informs us that he wrote sixty-five thousand during the month of July.

BAPTIST UNION MEETS

AT POPLAR SPRINGS WITH A LARGE ATTENDANCE.

Rev. H. H. Mashburn Writes the Following of the Meeting—Dr. W. H. Smith an Earnest and Interesting Speaker.

I cheerfully comply with the editor's request to furnish for the columns of the TIMES some account of the union meeting at Poplar Springs last Saturday and Sunday.

For some time these meetings have been growing in the numbers of people attending them, in interest, and in their power for good.

We thought the meeting at Maple Springs last May was about as good as a Union meeting could be made—and it was. The late session at Poplar Springs was not a whit behind it. In the former everything was directed toward greater efficiency in our Sunday School work; in the latter missions—world-wide evangelization—had the right-of-way. The attendance was excellent on Saturday and all the discussions clustered around the single idea of creating in the churches a larger sense of their responsibility as the custodians of the truth and of their obligation and opportunity to send it forth to every creature under heaven.

On Sunday Dr. W. H. Smith, of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention, was present, and at 11 o'clock preached a great and effective sermon from the text "And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, 'Let us go up at once and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.'"—Numbers 13:30. The sermon was full of pathos and power. The preacher had his great congregation with him from the start, stirring their hearts and enlarging their sympathies for the nations in darkness, as he plead with them to have larger part in sending out the truth and the light until all men should have a chance to believe on the Christ. It was a great sermon, at the close of which a liberal cash offering was made for Foreign Missions, and one hundred dollars pledged to be paid in 30 or 60 days.

It has already been said that this meeting was at Poplar Springs and when it is further stated that dinner was on the ground, no one who has ever had the good fortune to be at that church on a similar occasion will fail to understand what "dinner on the ground" means. The hospitality of this far-famed hospitable people was at high water mark, and Bro. G. M. Duke, the beloved pastor, was in his glory.

The next session will be held with the Mt. Hebron church including the fifth Sunday in September. Let all the churches begin now their plans to attend in large numbers. What opportunities these 5th Sunday meetings afford!

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Louisburg, N. C., uncalled for: Sallie Fogg, Green Perry, Allen Green, J. W. Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. D. Gayton, Horace L. Jones, Mrs. L. E. McMillan, Mrs. Adda B. Parrish. Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say they saw them advertised.

R. R. HARRIS, P. M.

Winners of Prizes.

The judges in the Home Telephone and Telegraph Co.'s contest for the "Five Best Reasons Why every Residence Should Have a Telephone" have made the following awards:

- 1st Prize—Mrs. H. C. Cooper, Rosnoke Rapids, N. C.
- 2nd Prize—Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Henderson, N. C.
- 3rd Prize—Dr. B. K. Hays, Oxford, N. C.
- 4th Prize—Mrs. R. P. Williams,

New Bern, N. C.
5th Prize—S. J. Stallings, Stallings, N. C.

The prize winning papers will be published in the TIMES, one each week, beginning with our next issue.

66th Birthday.

There was quite a pleasant Re-Union at the residence of Mr. W. H. Harris, near Franklinton, on Saturday last. It was the occasion of the 66th birthday of Mrs. Joe Person, and it was no doubt a great pleasure to her to have her children and grand children to celebrate it with her. And it was certainly pleasing to the children to have their mother and grand-mother who is still hale and hearty, enjoy her 66th birthday with them.

The bountiful dinner prepared by Mrs. Harris was all that the appetites of those present could wish and the entire day was happily spent.

TYPHOID FEVER AND MALARIA.

Typhoid fever is brought nine times in ten either from flies or drinking water. And the drinking water catches it not from the lower regions but from the filthy premises—the germs of the disease being swept in by rains. The fly, likewise fetches the disease from not distant filth. Now this is not theory. It is a fact. It is not to be questioned. Being so, one can prevent fever. If you keep your premises clean and wholesome—using lime freely—the flies and floods will have no germs to carry. Moreover, a decent man will not put a well where filth will wash into it, or filth where it can be carried to his well.

And if your neighbor should report him to the authorities in the name of decency and the Lord. For a man has no more right to kill people by cultivating typhoid fever than one has to fill his garden with rattlesnakes.

Malarial fever is put into the human system by mosquitoes—almost every case starts with a mosquito. This is fact, too,—not a theory which you may accept or doubt, as you choose. And being true, you have only to avoid the mosquito. You can, in very many places, kill him before he leaves the water. A little common kerosene will do it. You can see to it that there are no unnecessary stagnant pools within 500 yards of your house. You can also get a mosquito net and then be sure to sleep under it.—Biblical Recorder.

TOMMY'S ACT OF KINDNESS.

Gov. Folk, of Missouri, was talking about reform.

"We all believe in it," he said, "but we want it brought about at other folks' expense. We are like, too like, a certain Kansas City boy."

"This boy's mother said to him on her return from a long day's shopping in the Thanksgiving season:

"Now, I hope my little Tommy has taken to heart mamma's talk of last night about charity and unselfishness. Since he has few troubles of his own, I hope he has thought of others' troubles all day long. Since he has many causes for thanksgiving himself, I hope he has tried to give cause for thanksgiving to others. What is my Tommy's report for the day? How many acts of kindness has he done? How much woe has he lightened? How many hearts has my Tommy made grateful and glad?"

"In this rather mushy way spoke the good young mother. And her Tommy replied:

"I've done a whole lot of good ma. I gave your new hat to a beggar woman, and I gave the cook's shoes to a little girl in bursted rubbers what I seen on the street, and I gave a poor lame shoeing seller pa's evening suit—the open-front one that he hardly ever wears."—Kansas City Journal.

STAY AT YOUR HOME.

NO WESTERN REGION LIKE OUR OWN SECTION.

Those Who Have Been Induced by Glaring Circulars to Leave Home and Mother are Glad to Get Back Again.

These are the days when the discontented farmer's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of moving. The great railway systems of the West, flood the mails with manuals setting forth the beauty and virtues of this and that region, each claiming to be par excellence the home-seeker's paradise. Agriculture has in this aspect taken the place of mining. In former times the "new country" that offered the most attractions to settlers from a distance, was that in which gold was taken out of the ground in big yellow nuggets or infinitesimal dust; in these later days the search is still for a quick fortune, but the medium exploited is the growing crop, which can be turned into gold—or greenbacks—by the slower processes of planting, cultivating and harvesting; and the pioneer now for his emblems the gang-plow and the reaping machine, instead of the pick and pan. Now, the advertising circulars teem with points in which the settler's comfortable homestead and happy family are shown, projecting against fields of heavy-headed grain, trees groaning under apples and peaches proportionately as large as watermelons, and the cattle of a thousand hills grouped in a pen by the side of the railroad, awaiting rapid shipment to markets where buyers stand in line, longing for the chance to draw fat checks in payment. While these pictures attract the eye, few, if any, have ever bettered their condition by leaving our own fair county, and the few who have left would only be two glad to be back.

Tribute to a Worthy Negro.

Isaac Jones, colored, the oldest citizen of Dennis township, died suddenly July 15th, 1906. Uncle Isaac was about 90 years of age. He formerly belonged to Mrs. Bettie Jones, widow of Leonard Jones, of Franklin county. After the death of his master Uncle Isaac carried the keys and acted as foreman for his mistress, serving her faithfully until her death. After his freedom his greatest desire was to have a home. Notwithstanding he had a large family of children to raise, by hard work and denying himself of the necessities of life, he managed to pay for nearly two hundred acres of land, where he settled and lived until his death. Uncle Isaac left a record that would be well for others of his race to follow. He spent his long life in the community where he died, and the oldest citizens say they have never heard anything dishonest or wrong of him in his dealings in any way. He was quiet and peaceable, never having even been in a magistrate's trial in his life. He had been unable to work for several years. At the age of 87, he professed a hope in Christ and from that time on religion seemed to be his daily thought. Although his mind was not good during his last days it is believed that he served his Maker to the best of his knowledge. He gave two acres of land near his dwelling for a church school house and grave yard. He was laid to rest in the burying ground he had so liberally given, and his burial was attended by a large crowd of both white and colored.

Try Meadows & Harris with your

kind of primings next Thursday, August 2, 1906. They lead, others try to follow. Riverside Brick Ware-house.

THE SCHOOL BOOK QUESTION.

The TIMES copies the following from Charity and Children and gives the sentiments expressed therein its hearty endorsement:

The layman may not be judge of the books that ought to be used in schools, but they know a good thing when they see it. We have heard a good deal of complaint within the past four years about some of the text-books that have been adopted, and we are sure the present commission, if they are wise, may make decided improvement in the quality of the books to be used. Four years of trial ought to be sufficient to test the merit of any book, and several of our adopted books have not stood the test. The pressure of the book companies must be disregarded. It would take nerve, for instance, for the commission to set aside the new and beautiful spellers that are so highly commended by the oily publishers and their agents, and go back to the old "blue-back," written ages ago by that prince of English scholars, Noah Webster; but in our judgment that is precisely what the commission ought to do. This serves to illustrate what we are trying to impress. We hope the commission will be dealt to the stout and persuasive pleas of the modern authors and publishers, and that they will not be afraid to adopt a book written a hundred years ago if experience shows that it is the best book. The gentlemen who are at work on this text-book question are standing for the children of our State and not for any book concern or any private or public interest. The efficiency of our public schools depends in a large degree upon the kind of books that are used. We are persuaded that some monumental blundering has been made right at this point in attempting to keep up with the times many worthless books have been foisted upon the public schools. We hope commission are endowed with saving common sense.

ADVICE TO YOUNG MEN.

"Young men keep out of politics," says Senator Platt. That advice would be all right if Senator Platt had said: "Keep out of Republican machine politics, which are rotten to the core." Every citizen of a Republic should take enough interest in politics to investigate the policies of parties and vote—always vote—according to the result of his investigations. Young men especially should take an interest in politics, for it is upon the young men of today that the government of the Republic will rest tomorrow. Some young man of today will be, in a few years, president of this great country, or he will be Senator, or Congressman, or governor of his state. What would happen if the young men of the country "keep out of politics"? Young men should investigate how the so-called Republican policy of protection that Platt and the other Republican leaders stand for, taxes them for the benefit of protected interests. Young men should know why the cost of living is so great—48 per cent higher than when the present tariff law was enacted—and their salaries have not increased in like proportion. Young men should inquire why they are compelled to continue in the employment of others all their lives instead of as formerly looking forward to be their own masters. It is not in the interest of Senator Platt or the Republican leaders that young men investigate the plundering system that the Republican party stands for, therefore they say keep out of politics.