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THE LOUISBURG COLLEGE

GIVEN TO THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Mr. Duke Donates this Valuable Property to the Methodist Conference for Benefit of Female Education.

Wednesday's Raleigh Evening Times contained the following which will be read with great interest by the readers of the Times:

Mr. B. N. Duke has made another splendid gift to the cause of Christian education, which will but add greater honor to the bounteous generosity of that liberal philanthropist. The following letter from Rev. J. B. Hurley to the Raleigh Christian Advocate explains itself:

It comes my privilege, as well as pleasure, to make an announcement that, I am sure, will bring rejoicing to every friend of Christian education in the state. Louisburg Female College, the property of Mr. B. N. Duke, of Durham, N. C., has been donated to the North Carolina Conference. Several years ago when the college was about to be sold for debt, to save it to the church and to Methodism, it was bought by Mr. Washington Duke, his father. It was ever Mr. Duke's desire that the benefits of his princely donations to education should be enjoyed by the daughters of the church as well as her sons. Hence the opening of Trinity College to girls. For this reason he purchased Louisburg Female College. Certainly no one man in southern Methodism—not even in the south, as for that—has done so much to advance the cause of Christian education as did he by his great benefactions to this purpose. Since the purchase of the property by Mr. Duke it has been run in the interest of the church as far as possible. But hoping now to increase its field of usefulness in this sphere and enlarge its power for good in every way, Mr. Duke donates the entire property to the North Carolina Conference. The property consists of a large and handsome brick structure, lighted with electricity, with water and bath-rooms on every floor, standing in the midst of a beautiful campus of twelve acres, covered with stately trees and laid out in handsome drives and walks. What the property is worth in Louisburg, I am not able to say; doubtless many thousand dollars. But in Durham and many other towns in the state it would easily bring \$75,000 or more. This is another great gift of our good friend to the church and the cause of education. Surely such generosity should inspire every true friend of education and arouse the whole church to do more for all her institutions of learning.

Surely the friends of Louisburg Female College especially, together with the entire conference, will rally to this noble old college enriched with such a splendid historical background and now inspired to such a hopeful future.

The town in which the college is located is among the oldest of the state, appearing on the map only three years after the "Old Trinity Bell in Philadelphia had proclaimed the nation's independence, and is situated perhaps in one of the most beautiful sections in eastern Carolina. It has a population of over two thousand inhabitants, and is located on a chain of high rolling hills, furnishing natural superior drainage. Louisburg has ever been famous for the culture, refinement and morality of its people. For a hundred years or more it has been the home of the state's most distinguished sons and daughters.

For many years the institution

was presided over by that prince of Christian gentlemen and educators, Prof. M. S. Davis, but the reigning genius, then as now, was Mrs. Mary Allen, his daughter, who succeeded her father to the presidency, and under whose wise leadership the college has greatly prospered and grown.

As the property of the North Carolina Conference, and with increased facilities and equipments which friend and patrons should bring to it at once, it will soon stand among the church's noblest and best institutions of higher education for girls.

Farmers Institute.

The following program has been arranged for the farmers Institute to be held at Louisburg on Tuesday, July 16, 1907:

Morning session will open at ten o'clock and afternoon session at 1:00

Subjects for Discussion: Cotton Culture, by W. J. McLendon, Anson county. Farm Machinery and Implements, by T. B. Parker, Wake county. Plant diseases and spraying, by Dr. F. L. Stevens, of the North Carolina College of Agriculture. Corn Culture, by T. B. Parker.

Opening of question box and general discussion.

At eight p. m. Dr. F. L. Stevens will deliver a free lecture, illustrated with magic lantern, on the value of an Agricultural Education to the farmer.

While these subjects will be discussed any others of special interest may be suggested by those present. Every man meets with difficulties in his work and the institute is the place to which our farmers should bring their difficult problems and help each other solve them.

There should be no hesitation about any farmer joining in and making these institutes of great good to the county. No one man can alone acquire either by study or through experience what is needful for him to know to do the best farming and therefore if these farmers institutes are made occasions for giving and receiving help, for study and comparison of ideas and methods much good can not fail to result to those who take an interest and active part in the work.

WOMENS INSTITUTES.

The following program has been prepared for the Institute for the women which is to be held in connection with the Farmers Institute at Louisburg, on Tuesday, July 16, 1907:

Morning session will open at ten o'clock and afternoon session at 1:30.

Subjects for Discussion: Foods and their Cooking, by Miss Mae Card. The Influence of the Women in the home, by Mrs. Sue V. Hollowell, Goldsboro. Suggestions for Home Surroundings, by F. L. Stevens.

Opening of question box and general discussion.

This program will give an idea of the nature of the subjects to be discussed at this meeting but any difficulty which any woman may have in her farm home, may be introduced for consideration. The purpose of these institutes is to enable the women on the farm to help each other by giving and receiving information obtained through study or experience. We hope the women will attend this meeting in large numbers for a day spent in this way should be both pleasant and helpful.

Mr. Geo. Catlett made a short trip to Apex one day this week.

Mrs. S. C. Catlett, of Apex, is visiting her sister Mrs. J. W. Weathers.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION LAST MONDAY.

Usual Routine Work Attended to—Supt. R. B. White Unanimously Re-elected—Appointment of Committeemen.

The board of Education met last Monday—the old Board attended to some routine business and adjourned sine die. The new Board, which consisted of the members of the old Board, met immediately and organized by the re-election of Jno. C. Winsten as Chairman. R. B. White, who bears the reputation of being one of the best and most efficient County Superintendents in the State, was unanimously re-elected to succeed himself. It being the regular time for appointing school committeemen, the following were appointed: Dunn's Township—W. H. Williams, J. H. Balleentine, J. B. Privett.

Pilot District—J. H. Massey, B. C. Pearce, J. F. Williams. Harris Township—D. E. Harris, J. B. King, J. A. Clifton.

Youngville Township—C. C. Winston, E. L. Green, J. R. Tharrington.

Franklinton Township—J. O. Green, B. W. Ballard, J. H. Cooke. Hayesville Township—R. S. Foster, R. G. Winn, K. M. Clark.

Sandy Creek Township—A. T. Wilson, J. J. Cooper, E. N. Williams.

Gold Mine Township—J. R. Wheelless, D. B. Pearce, James Brewer.

Cedar Rock Township—John Earle, J. T. Inscow, W. W. Boone. Cypress Creek Township—J. R. Boone, E. S. Wilder, J. R. Wheelless.

Louisburg Township—L. P. Hicks, C. P. Harris, D. C. Strickland.

Mapleville District—G. M. Duke, C. P. Harris, J. S. Wilder, J. W. Strange, W. M. Boone, J. H. Uzzell.

Ingle side District—Chas. Macon, J. O. Beasley, E. N. Williams, Albert Dement, W. J. Macon.

Death of the Oldest Citizen.

In the death of Mr. Richard F. Stroud, which occurred at the home of his grandson, E. B. Preddy, in Youngville, on Friday last, the oldest citizen of Franklin County passed over the river, and now rests "under the shade of the tree." Being born in January 1807, he had scored his one hundredth birthday in January of this year. He leaves a son M. B. Stroud, and one daughter, Mrs. V. R. Purgerson. He was a good citizen, one of his neighbors remarking in our presence last Monday, that the deceased was one of the men he ever knew and that he had never heard any one say aught against him. He was a member of Oak Level (Christian) church. His remains were laid to rest in the family burying grounds near Youngville, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. D. B. Parker, of the M. E. church.

County Commissioners.

The Board met on the 1st, all members present. The following business was transacted:

T. C. Wester, a confederate soldier, was allowed to sell patent medicines in the county without license.

Willie Smith and D. B. O'Day, of Cedar Rock, was relieved of poll tax on account of infirmity.

Cornelius Jones was stricken from the pauper list.

Petition for new road leading from "Holly Grove," to Louisburg road, was granted, with no expense to the county, and H. D. Egerton was appointed to lay it off.

Allowance of Precilla Foster was

increased from \$1 to \$4 per month.

Report of Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Superintendent of Health, was received and filed. He reports county home in good condition, and jail in as good condition as circumstances will permit. He also reported three cases of small pox in the county.

Complaints were heard regarding new road in Hayesville township, from Gill's bridge to Rocky Ford church, and W. W. Green, R. S. Foster and T. H. Whitaker were appointed to lay off said road according to petition formerly presented—with no cost to county.

Phil Williams, colored, was placed on pauper list at \$1 per month. Superintendent Williams, of the County home reports 9 white and 18 colored inmates—no changes during month.

Govan Cheek was allowed to list and pay back taxes on a tract of land in Hayesville. Claims to the amount of \$608.72 were allowed and Board adjourned to meet next Monday to hear complaints regarding the valuation of taxes.

A Hint to the Wise.

The property of all delinquent town tax payers, who do not settle the same by next Tuesday, will be advertised for sale. This refers to those who have not paid their 1904, 1905 and 1906 taxes. See D. C. High at once if you do not wish to see your property advertised as he cannot discriminate.

Base Ball Notes.

Ed Beasley having resigned as captain of the Louisburg ball team, J. A. Turner was elected to fill the vacancy. He is taking steps to have a good team and will call upon all lovers of the game to assist, financially, in equipping the members of the team with new and suitable uniforms. Lets "chip in" and help the boys.

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Louisburg N. C., uncalled for.

Mrs. M. P. Allen, Rev. A. W. Alson, Miss Luzina Grandy, Mr. M. H. Guthrie, Mr. Daniel Neal, Miss Zelma Yarbrian, Miss Cornelius Washington, Miss Pattie Williams, Thos. Young.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say they saw them advertised.

R. R. HARRIS, P. M.

A Beautiful Illustration

I once heard from the lips of a beloved pastor, a beautiful illustration. A naturalist one day was studying a cocoon in which a butterfly was struggling to be free. He heard it beating against the sides of the little prison, and his heart went out for the helpless creature. Taking a tiny lancet he cut away the fragile walls, and released the little captive. But to his amazement it was not the beautiful creature he had expected to see. It lay struggling upon the ground unable to fly, a helpless unlovely object. In place of the gorgeously covered wings he expected to see were weak, shriveled members. What was the matter with this creature which should have been so fair? The prison gates had been opened too soon; the obstacle had been removed before the struggler had developed sufficiently through the struggling to be ready for its glorious flight into the sunshiny skies and among the perfumed flowers. O God, when the walls seem to be close about us, when we struggle and agonize to be free, when thou dost not cut away the barriers, is it because in thy infinite wisdom thou dost see that we are weak, and dost want us to become strong? Then, at last, when the struggle is finished, like the butterfly, we may come forth, not perhaps in glorious robes of splendid colors as it is, but in the everlasting robes of the righteous.—Christian Observer.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

And Those Who Come and Go, Some for Pleasure, Some for Business and a Large Number Because They Like It.

R. C. Beck went to Weldon this week.

Mrs. Mary Yarborough has returned from Baltimore.

Mr. F. S. Spruill spent Tuesday in Raleigh on legal business.

Mrs. Norman Guy, of Norfolk, is visiting at Mr. D. F. Cooke's.

Capt. J. B. Thomas is in Danville this week on a business trip.

Mr. T. W. Bickett and family spent Tuesday in Wake Forest.

Miss Virginia Foster left yesterday to spend a week at the Jamestown Exposition.

Mrs. Dr. S. P. Burt and children left this week to spend some time at Beaufort.

Mrs. M. L. Beasley and son, of Jacksonville, Fla., are visiting Mrs. Willie Hester.

Mr. C. B. Church and wife, are among the recent visitors to relatives in Louisburg.

Mr. S. P. Boddie who returned from Jamestown Exposition this week, reports a pleasant trip.

Mrs. D. T. Smithwick accompanied by her children, left last Friday to spend some time in Asheville.

Messrs. R. G. Berronighs and J. B. Bullock, two of Henderson's prominent citizens, were here this week.

The editor had a pleasant visit one day this week from Dr. I. G. Riddick and son Ivey, of Youngville.

Mr. R. A. Nash, Superintendent of the Chair Factory at Stateville is here, guests of his brother, S. B. Nash.

Mr. T. W. Watson and wife left one day this week, for a trip to the Exposition. Before returning they will visit Washington, Philadelphia and other points.

Mr. Phil Alston, of Tatum, S. C. accompanied by Miss Deil Roper, is visiting his people in Franklin. His friends in Louisburg were glad to shake his hand this week.

Mrs. F. M. Seamans, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Bailey, the past two weeks left this week for her home in Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Bailey accompanied her as far as Richmond, Va.

Mr. Samuel W. Alston and wife and little child, arrived here from Texarkana, Ark., on Wednesday. They will spend about a month with their people in this county. He will leave today to spend a few days at the Jamestown Exposition.

City Fathers.

The "city fathers" held regular monthly meeting Tuesday morning, all members present. In addition to regular routine business, the following proceedings were had:

The contract with S. A. L. for lights was referred to Light Committee.

The matter of buying a piece of land from Dr. O. L. Ellis for a ditch, was referred to Dr. Burt who was authorized to pay \$15 for same.

Mr. Bryan's Genius.

One thing which has made Mr. William J. Bryan so popular as a public speaker is his aptness of expression and illustration. In a recent speech at Fort Worth, Texas, he described President Roosevelt as an incubator that has hatched politics laid by the Democratic party from time to time. The Nebraska illustrated this simile with a story of a debate on the question, "which is

Mother of the Chicken—the Hen That Lays the Egg or the Hen That Hatched It?"

"While in Chicago recently," said Mr. Bryan, "I was told a story and saw its political application at once. A negro debating society was wrangling on the question, 'Which is Mother of the Chicken—the Hen That Lays the Egg or the One That Hatches It?' The chairman was holding that the hatcher of the egg is the maternal parent, when an old brother on the rear seat arose and said: 'Suppose it's a duck egg—who is the Mother of the duck, the hen that hatched it?' This argument seemed unanswerable, but the chairman scratched his head and finally said: 'Ducks are not *à la* hens. Chickens are *de* question.'

"I at once saw the political application of this anecdote. If the Democratic party lays a policy and a Republican President hatches it out, who is the mother of the chicken? I am grateful to the old brother on the rear seat who put the query about the duck, for it's a duck egg, by considering the nature of the policy, we can readily discover who is the mother—the Democratic hen that laid it or the Republican hen that hatched it."

It is doubtful if any living American could have turned this trick so ingeniously. It was brilliant.

A World for the Onion.

If people would eat more onions they would be a great deal healthier. Most of us eat too much meat and grease and buttered bread, and not enough vegetables, and the consequence is, our systems get clogged up with grease and starch, our livers get out of order and we grumble at our wives and scold our children and fuss when the baby cries, and quarrel with the street car conductors, and get into rows at the office and lose our jobs, not because we are naturally snaky or quarrelsome, but because we are bilious. Why are we bilious? Because we don't eat onions. You never saw a dyspeptic man eating onions. He thinks they are poison, but, in fact, they are the medicine that he most needs. Whenever you see an onion eater, you see a whole-souled, open-hearted, jolly good fellow, who knows what he ought to eat to keep him in a good humor. Talk about the staff of life, why bread is only a crutch. There is more nourishment in an onion than there is in a roll. The onion lovers keep the world moving, to say nothing of providing it with much of its fun.—Selected.

ITEMS FROM WOODS.

Proud to have so many of the young ladies and gentlemen from Centreville and Hilliardston in our Sunday School.

The crops are now looking some better, but of course a full crop cannot be expected. However, it is the opinion of some people that we get all we deserve. Probably if we all served our Maker better than we do, our prosperity would be much greater.

We have a flourishing Sunday school at Wood Academy, and it gives your correspondent much pleasure to see such a large attendance, and to see they take so much interest in it. In fact our people generally are taking a greater interest than heretofore in the work of the Lord.

Our people are talking of enlarging our Academy building. It is true, we have a nice building but the attendance both at the free School and the Sunday school is increasing so rapidly that we need more room. I think the good people agree with me in this, and I am ready to assist liberally in this work.

We are thankful that we have but little sickness in this neighborhood. C. G. W.