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MAPLEVILLE ACADEMY.

HELD ITS COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES ON MAY 4th.

Hon. T. M. Pittman, of Henderson, Delivered Annual Address—The Occasion a Great Success.

On Wednesday, May 4th the commencement exercises of Mapleville Academy were celebrated. The exercises consisted of an address by Hon. T. M. Pittman, of Henderson, in the morning, followed by a grand concert at night.

Mapleville Academy is one among the oldest academies built in the county during this last revival of Education, not only in the county but throughout the State and is located in a splendid section of the county and patronized by most excellent people. It has made some reputation by the excellence of its Oyster Suppers and Commencements. This last commencement was not an exception to the general rule, but was equal to the best. We have had many splendid men to speak for us at commencements and brother Pittman's address was equal to the best of these. His subject was "The World's Message to Us and Our Message to the World." The audience was good attention fine and behavior excellent, and we are sure much lasting good will result. At the close of this splendid address the speaker was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers by little Miss Louise Byrum. A medal was then presented by Rev. G. M. Duke to Miss Mary Perry for the best attendance, deportment and general improvement. This was given by Mrs. M. E. Williams, principal of school. Prizes were presented by the same to Misses Boone, Duke and Sledge for proficiency in music, given by music teacher, Miss Emma Duke. Prizes were also presented by Supt. White to Masters Clyde Harris, Royal Strange and Billie Williams for excellent attendance and improvement. Mr. John Sledge receiving a prize for being the best improved boy in Mrs. Williams room.

This was followed by selections of music closing the exercises of the morning. The concert at night was fine indeed. The large congregation gave us almost perfect behavior. All of the children acted their parts well. Pieces of interest were: The Little Indian Drill, Spring Garland Drill, Recitations by Misses Jennie Long, Olivia Hobgood and Aileen Boone. The music throughout was fine. The entire programme was well executed and showed efficiency on the part of the teachers, Mrs. Mattie Williams, Miss Lucy Webb and Miss Emma Duke.

The next session will begin on the first Wednesday in September. The teachers elected were Mrs. M. E. Williams, Principal; Miss Emma Duke, Assistant, and Miss Bettie Stallings, Music teacher.

Most excellent marks were made by several of the pupils whose names appear on the honor roll.

Mrs. S. H. Kearney Dead.

On Sunday afternoon about 1:30 o'clock at her home at Kearney, this county, Mrs. S. H. Kearney departed this life. She had been in bad health for some time and her death was not unexpected. She was 67 years of age and leaves four sons, C. B. Kearney, H. A. Kearney, W. L. and David Lee Kearney. The deceased was a lovable woman and enjoyed the respect and esteem of all that knew her. Her life as a Christian was well known and will be an inspiration for those of her loved ones left behind.

The funeral services were conducted from the home by Rev. E. D. Poe, of Wake Forest, and the interment was made at the cemetery at Lonsburg on Monday. The pall-

bearers were A. T. Wilson, Jim Debnam, J. H. Goodson, Frank Pearson, J. B. Smith, J. A. Reavis. The profusion of flowers and large number of friends and relatives gave evidence of the high esteem in which she was held.

Banks to Close.

We are requested to state that on account of Friday, May 20th, being set apart as a legal holiday by the State for the celebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence the Banks of Lonsburg will be closed on that day.

New Firm.

The Peoples Clothing Store is the style of a new firm just opened up under Ford's warehouse on Nash street and will carry an up-to-date line of clothing, shoes and mens furnishings. Read their advertisement on another page and see what they have to say.

Mrs. Barrow's Concert.

Mrs. J. S. Barrow's concert will take place at the Graded School building on Friday night (tonight) at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited and no admission will be charged. These entertainments need no comment from us as the public are fully aware of the great enjoyment afforded by Mrs. Barrow's Concerts.

Important To Farmers.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has just issued the Agricultural Year Book of 1909 and it has allotted a limited number of them to each Congressman. It is a valuable book, especially to farmers, and in order to place it in the hands of those who may want it and who would appreciate it, and to avoid sending it to anyone who would not care for it, Congressman Pea- of the 4th District announces that until his quota is exhausted, any constituent of his can get a copy by addressing a postal card to E. W. Fou, M. C., Washington, D. C.

Convict Escaped

On Monday morning while the convicts were at work on the jail hill, Granville Plummer, one of the number, and who had been given liberties of a trusty, got permission to step aside and not showing up in the proper time a man was sent out to see if he could be found. The party soon returned with the information that he was gone, after which one of the convicts disclosed his plans. Immediately Supt. J. R. Williams sent H. C. Williams and B. H. Meadows, in pursuit of him and he was caught near Lynch's bridge a few miles up the river about one o'clock the same day and was brought back to jail. His excuse for leaving was that he began to think about those long hot summer days that were soon coming.

The Cattle Tick Situation.

Dr. R. E. Christopher, United States Veterinary Inspector, who is in charge of the Franklin County quarantine, informs us that in all probability the quarantine would be raised in this County this year. Judging from a clipping found below, from the News-Observer, these laws are very strict and would advise our people, from a point of profit to themselves as well as to avoid the law, to be careful along this line.

The News-Observer says: For an alleged violation of the cattle quarantine restrictions, Mr. O. T. Simpkins, of Swift Creek, was arrested in Raleigh yesterday. He was charged with having taken cattle into quarantine premises.

The Most Important Thing on the Farm Just Now.

All of us who have farmed know that there are times when it is impossible to prevent the grass from getting a start and making much

hard work; but such seasons are the exception, not the rule. If a man starts in time and uses the proper implements, he can, in any ordinary season, keep his crops clean, so that it will not be necessary for him to plow out the grass. To do this requires frequent and shallow stirring of the soil, and to be able to stir the soil frequently in our uncertain seasons means that the farmer must have tools that will enable him to get over the land quickly. He can not hope, if the season is showery, to keep his crop clean if he must go four or five times to the row with a single plow; but if he can cover six to twelve feet at a through with a harrow before the crop is planted, take a row at a time with a weeder while it is young, and with a cultivator when it gets older, he can keep his crops clean in a wet season, or save the moisture for the use of his crops in a dry season.

If a man has only one horse, he can use a harrow and a weeder with success, and he can make both of them pay for themselves the first season.

Therefore, let us say it again: Right now is the time to begin the cultivation of all your crops—even of those not planted. Use modern laboring tools, so you can get over a whole lot of ground in a day. See that the soil is in good condition before you plant, and when the crop is planted, keep right on with the cultivation. It is not necessary to wait for the corn and the cotton—and the grass and weeds—to get up and get a start. Get your start first; get the soil in good condition, and keep your cultivation a little ahead of the crop, and your work will be easy and your reward great.—Raleigh, (N. C.) Progressive Farmer and Gazette.

Graves Decorated

On Tuesday evening at 4 o'clock, as had previously been announced, quite a number of the ladies gathered at the court house with vehicles fairly loaded with the prettiest of flowers. They then repaired to the cemetery where they engaged in the decorating the graves of our dead heroes. The occasion was a very pretty sight to behold, as it showed the true value these ladies placed upon the lives of those who died for their country.

Will be Appreciated.

There is a statement in the writings of the late M. S. Davis that the Federal troops occupied the grounds and buildings of Lonsburg Female College at the close of the war between the states and during their occupancy the furniture of the college was destroyed. If this should fall under the eye of any one who knows anything about it you are earnestly requested to write to Rev. A. J. Parker financial agent for the college, Lonsburg, N. C., and give him such information. By so doing you will confer a great favor upon the college.

An Unusual Feature.

Miss Mattie Nash, formerly head nurse of the Fennell Infirmary, of this city, whose home is in Lonsburg, North Carolina, came back last week and underwent an operation for appendicitis. Dr. Fennell performed the operation with the use of cocaine without putting her under the influence of ether, which is an unusual thing; in fact, an operation of the kind has never been performed here before without the use of anaesthetics. Another feature was that Miss Nash suffered very little pain while undergoing the operation; in fact, she gave some directions to the attending nurses while the operation was being performed.

—Rock Hill, S. C., Record.
Miss Mattie Nash is from Lonsburg and her many friends here will be glad to learn that she is improving rapidly.

THE MOVING PEOPLE

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Those Who Have Visited Lonsburg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere for Business or Pleasure.

Clarence Stimpson visited Raleigh, Tuesday.

Mr. R. Y. McAden spent Tuesday in Raleigh.

H. G. Sherman, of Henderson, was in town Wednesday.

W. D. Jackson returned Monday from a trip to Oxford.

D. F. McKinnon returned Tuesday from a trip to Charlotte.

Miss Elizabeth Bagley, of Jackson is visiting at the college.

Dr. E. S. Green, of Littleton, visited his people in town Sunday.

J. T. Mills and family of Manson are visiting at the Bobbitt Hotel.

Mr. J. F. Malone and family, of Tampa, Fla., are visiting his people here.

Miss Ellice Alford, who has been visiting in Nashville, has returned home.

Mrs. F. M. Fuller, of Columbia, Tenn., is visiting at the Bobbitt Hotel.

Mrs. T. B. Cooke and little child, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting at Mrs. E. S. Foster's.

Mr. Fleete Steels, of Turnersburg, visited Mr. Clarence Stimpson the past week.

G. H. Coeper left Tuesday for Richmond on business for the Wagon Company.

Miss Annie Stallings, of Castalia, spent several days with Miss Minnie Strickland the past week.

Mr. T. W. Watson and family, of Jacksonville, visited Mrs. Watson's people here the past week.

F. W. Whigless returned Friday from a trip to the northern markets where he purchased a big lot of odds and ends in clothing for his firm.

Mrs. A. M. Hall and daughter, Miss Grace, returned this week from Richmond where they have been to replenish the spring stock for the big Racket.

Dr. H. A. Newell left Monday for Salisbury, where he went to represent the Lonsburg Chapter No. 26 R. A. M., at the meeting of the Grand Chapter.

Madames F. B. McKinne, P. G. Alston, M. C. Pleasant, and E. W. Fuigerson, left Wednesday for Roxboro to attend the Woman's Missionary Conference.

Mr. H. C. Bowden left Monday night for Norfolk, where he will take a position with T. S. Southgate & Co., in the capacity of a traveling salesman. Henry is a very energetic and popular young man and has many friends here who wish for him much success.

Base Ball.

In conversation with Mr. E. B. McKinne, Manager of the Baseball Association, of Lonsburg, we were informed, that they had applications from a number of excellent players and that things were shaping themselves for a splendid team and some good work for Lonsburg this season. The most needed effort now is the paying in of the subscriptions.

We would suggest that all those who subscribed to this association see some of the officers in the next few days and hand them the amount that they may begin to perfect any and all arrangements.

A Good Woman Dies.

At the home of her son, Mr. J. R. Williams, on Nash street, on Monday afternoon at about 1:30 o'clock, Mrs. E. C. Hopkins died at the ripe old age of nearly 84 years. She was twice married and leaves five children to

survive her, who are W. H. Williams, J. R. Williams, Mrs. Dr. Griffin, of Clayton, Mrs. J. H. Griffin, of Selma, and D. E. Hopkins, of Lenoir, Texas, and a brother, Mr. A. J. P. Harris and sister Miss A. B. Harris. She had been a consistent member of Poplar Springs Baptist church since early childhood and her life had been spent in the service of her Maker. Her remains were taken to the old family burying ground in Dunns township on Tuesday where they were laid to rest by loving hands.

The bereaved family have the sympathy of our people.

Louisburg College

We acknowledge the receipt of the following invitation to the commencement exercises of the Louisburg College, below which we give the programme:

The Senior Class of Louisburg College requests the honor of your presence during Exercises of Commencement week, May twenty-second to twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, Louisburg, N. C.

PROGRAMME

Annual Sermon—Rev. G. B. Strickler, Sunday morning, May 22, at 11 o'clock.

Y. W. C. A. Sermon—Dr. W. B. North, Sunday evening, May 22nd. Junior Recital—Monday afternoon May 23rd, at 5 o'clock.

Alumni Banquet—Monday evening, May 23, at 8:30 o'clock.

Class Day Exercises—Tuesday afternoon, May 24th at 5 o'clock.

Recital by School of Expression—Tuesday evening, May 24th at 8:30 o'clock.

Graduating Exercises—Wednesday morning, May 25th at 10:30.

Literary Address—Dr. E. M. Pott, Wednesday morning May 25th at 11:30 o'clock.

Laying of the Corner Stone of the M. S. Davis Memorial Building—Wednesday afternoon, May 25, at 4 o'clock.

Annual Concert—Wednesday evening, May 25th at 8:30 o'clock.

Memorial Day at Justice

May 19th, Memorial Day, which our State has set apart as sacred to the memory of her fallen heroes should be honored by every North Carolinian. The dead leave behind them their memory, their example and the effects of their actions. So wherever they rise—those low green tents whose curtains never outward swing. Let us deck the turf that wraps their clay with our prayers and hopes that they lived not in vain.

With an immense quantity of flowers, men, women and children assembled at the Justice school building Tuesday at one o'clock p.m. to visit the graves of the brave soldiers sleeping. A confederate flag which is ever dear to the veterans, was placed on each grave as a tribute of love and honor to the sleeper. But each year there is a grave that is always missed, that of S. J. Yellington, our kinsman and friend who was killed at Bennettsville, S. C., just at the close of war. While we lovingly decorate the graves of those near us, we hope that some tender hand may mark the resting place of him who lies in a nameless grave.

WORLDS SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY

A Call by the Executive Committee of the World's Sunday School Association.

For nearly two years much time and effort have been given toward securing the observance of Sunday, May 22, 1910, as World's Sunday School Day. It is desired:

1. That upon this day every Pastor in the United States and Canada shall preach a sermon emphasizing the claims of the Sunday School as a factor in the development of Chris-

tian character, urging upon parents and guardians the importance of training the children and youth in the knowledge of the Scriptures, and including in his prayers a petition for the blessing of God upon the work of the Sunday School in all lands, and especially upon the World's Sunday School Convention, which at that time will be in session in the City of Washington.

2 That every Sunday School will use as an opening exercise the Order of Service prepared for that day. All may not attend the convention but each school may form a link in the golden chain of service which will encircle the globe upon May 22, 1910.

Among the important results of the observance of the day we confidently count upon the awakening of general interest in the Sunday School enterprise, which cannot fail to have a stimulating effect upon the work.

The Order of Service can be secured from your Denominational Publishing Houses, or from the Sunday School Times Co., Philadelphia for 50 cent per hundred.

Donkey Succeeds Magician

After Lincoln became President he was besieged by office-seekers. One day he told a rather unpromising man this story:

"Once upon a time there was a King who was fond of hunting, and always before starting he would send for his magician for a report on the weather. One day when the magician promised fine weather they started off.

"Soon they met a peasant driving a donkey. The peasant said: 'My great King, turn back, a storm is brewing.' The King replied: 'No, my magician says the weather will be fine.' Said the peasant: 'When my donkey turns his ears forward it is going to storm.' The King went on, and was caught in a terrific storm. When he returned he removed the magician from office and secured a donkey."

Lincoln added: "And since that all the jackasses in the country have been seeking office."—Exchange.

Home Coming.

The editor of the TIMES acknowledges the receipt of the following invitation to attend a home coming celebration at Smithfield:

OLD HOME WEEK CELEBRATION.

To all those who ever lived in Johnston County and whose parents lived here the town of Smithfield extends a cordial invitation to attend the "Old Home Week Celebration" at Smithfield, N. C., May 16th-21st, 1910. Turlington Graded School closes this week.

On Thursday, May 19, the old students of Turlington Institute will hold interesting reunion exercises in the assembly hall of Turlington Graded School.

On Friday, May 20, the reunion of old citizens will take place in the Town Hall. Attractive programmes have been arranged for all these occasions and a great number of the former citizens of the town and county have signified their intention of being present.

Committees will meet all incoming trains. The bureau of information will be located in Hood Bros. Drug Store and will be in charge of Capt. H. L. Skinner, where any information can be obtained as to hotel and boarding house accommodations, charges, etc., schedules of trains and any other information desired.

Respectfully,
JAMES A. WELLS,
Chairman of Committee.

Dr. S. Rapoport, of Durham, will be in Lonsburg, at the Lonsburg Hotel, Wednesday, May 18th, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. Consultation Free.