

HISTORICAL

By REV. E. H. DAVIS

One year ago a committee of gentlemen, leading citizens of our town, wrote me a letter asking me to write some sort of a corrected history of our County, an undertaking which at its first suggestion appealed to me and I so replied to their very courteous request. I began at once my quest for material and aid in discovering such. My effort has not up to now been altogether encouraging. I have found out a good deal of matter new to me and have written many pages whether or not they ever see the light. I have by me a copy of a similar history of another county, Lincoln, in the publication of which the author a Methodist preacher says in his preface that he had the hearty cooperation of the entire citizenry of the county, the public officials, judges, churches and press—the columns of which were open to him from the inception of his work and in which much of his material first appeared. In this way what he had written could be revised and new material could be uncovered. He has gotten out a work of permanent value deeply interesting in which the publishers have done their best in the matter of illustrations and binding. Maybe we should not be so ambitious as that but why not? Our history goes back just as far as theirs—1779 was the birth year of each. Each was formed from another county whose name it was desired to drop because of the odium attached to it—Tryon—Bute. Each was named for a patriot of the Revolution—Franklin—Lincoln—not Abraham of course but Col. Benjamin—who was authorized by Washington to receive Cornwallis' sword at Yorktown. Yes, we have age enough, history enough, leading men enough, interesting characters enough to make an interesting volume to every man and woman in the county—but if it is ever gotten out in any satisfactory way it will not be the work of any one man—this one or any other—but of all who CAN together. Have you some old papers that would help in this way. Say for instance a single copy of the *Louisburg Eagle* which antedated Asher Johnson, J. A. Thomas and George S. Baker by a number of years. W. H. Pleasants, Sr., being both Editor and Proprietor thereof. Have you some old family letters that record facts of history of real value and interest but likely to be forgotten and lost unless you do something? When my father bought this place where I now live in 1890 there was a quantity of such material here—letters and papers. Among them was an autograph letter from John Wesley or Thomas Coke. I can not remember which—that I sent at once for safe keeping to Dr. Hoss, afterwards Bishop Hoss then professor of Church History at Vanderbilt University. I wrote to the Dean of the Theological faculty there last year about that letter. He wrote they could find no trace of it and that it was doubtless destroyed in the disastrous fire they had there a few years ago. With that I turned over nearly all that was left to the Library at Duke University. In these letters and papers of Joel King were lists of the names of the pupils in the Female Department of the Franklin Academy from 1816 on for a number of years. It is proposed to include this roster of pupils of that distant day in whatever sketches of our history that may follow—and that list containing the names of the ancestors of many of us living today—though we may not be able to trace the connection—must have compelling interest to a great many. There are some errors in our history as already recorded that should be corrected. A folder lying before me telling of the historical interest centering in and around Louisburg has this: "THE

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Document No. 1 in Volume 1 of records in the office of Register of Deeds. In the pages I have already written of Franklin's history I think it will be shown conclusively how it came to be called Louisburg and have made a reasonable suggestion as to why in its first spelling even in the Acts of Incorporation it was LEWISBURG. Dr. D. T. Smithwick, County Historian, has turned over to me the set of Colonial Records belonging to the County. At the time of delivery to me the set was imperfect—there being no copy of Volume 1 and two copies of Volume 10.

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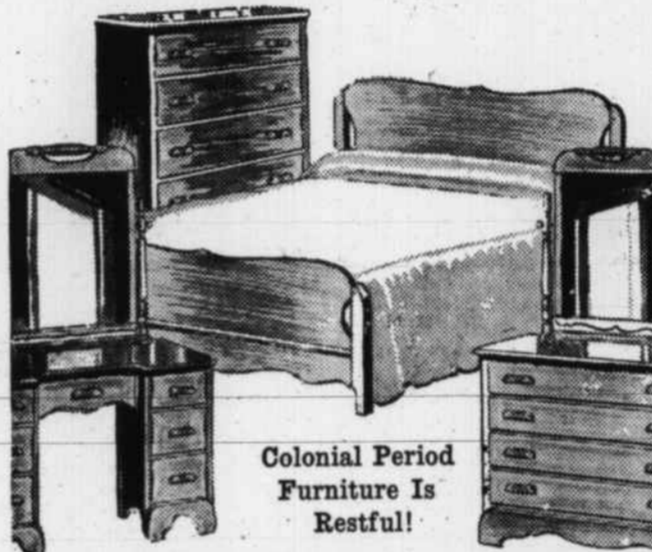
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