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child to know our way of doing busi- certain misunderstandings that arose ness, and it is plain and simple, buy in certain communities, led to more or for cash, sell for cash, buy low, sell the schools in interest and attendance. low, buy cheap and sell a-heap, keep | Happily all these discontents are now the little nickle on a double quick jump all the time.

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all the courtes es they can enjoy. want to buy, you can do us a great | favor by examining our way of doing businees. Now this is our way Do you like it? If you do, we ar yours truly.

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NO. 9

Their responsiveness, their loyalty,

their confidence in their leader, all con-

in this connection, is that I could not.

ing the teachers' salary to that point

which it ought to reach. The pay of

any first grade teacher, of successful

experience, ought not to be less than

THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMEN

During the past year the work of the

township committeemen has been very much more effective than before.

Few complaints have arisen among

he schools that the committeemen

have not been able promptly to satis-

ty; and could the present township

ystem have continued for another

wo years, splendid results could have

work of well informed, public spirited

SCHOOL HOUSES AND FURNISH

INGS.

1899, it would have been possible,

A very commendable zeal has char

TEACHERS.

One of the wisest policies of

white and negro teachers, last year,

The five schools, located at as many

points in the County, were officered by

six of the most skillful and experienced

this year. The session continued one

school month, and during that time the

best methods- of teaching the rudi

ments of every subject taught in our

county schools were illustrated. These

schools cost, including the special lec-

tures, and examination of teachers.

only \$355.00. Heretofore, for years past,

it has been the custom to hold a lec-

one place, usually in Asheville, at

time, to listen and go away and forget

At the training schools, last summer,

under the direction of the instructors

the improvement of teaching processes

and school room management of the

teachers, who attended the schools last

The teachers themselves said, in un-

animous resolutions, that they derived

great benefits from the training

schools, and asked that they might be

THE LIBRARY MOVEMENT.

As I see it, the most important work

ver undertaken in connection with the

gestion and plans, the leading teachers

and schools began to raise money to

establish libraries. While many failed

to carry out the plan, owing to the vi-

clous public sentiment in some school

districts, still about fifty of the schools

succeeded in raising from \$2.00 to \$100.

00 each, with which nearly 1,000 vol-

children. The work thus begun, will,

erable collection of suitable books be-

THE CITY SCHOOLS OF ASHE-

These schools, under the admirable

superintendency of Mr. J. D. Eggles-

management of the Board of Educa-

tion for Buncombe county, still the

this report. It was my privilege and

great pleasure, recently, to make an

system should have its proper place in

pany with the Superintendent, and

pany with the superintendent, and

lowed by cursory notes:

append some statistical matter, fol-

CITY SCHOOLS OF ASHEVILLE

School census, 1898..................3,700

Total daily average attendance....1,583

Total value of school property ... \$70,000

Total cost of the schools......\$15,000

NOTES .- An inspection of the city

schools shows a most satisfactory sys-

school, now enrolling about 250 stu-

dents. Provision is made in every

grade for promotion, so that no bright

pupil need be kept waiting for a slow

grade before he may go higher in his

The teachers are well prepared for

date in the business of supervising

One of the most important parts of

the work in every grade is a well

course of study. A taste for good liter.

ature is formed in the first six years,

school to read voluminously and appre-

ciatively the books in the High School

Library, now numbering about 1,500

volumes of the choicest classical and

current literature, when he comes to

NEEDS OF THE CITY SCHOOLS.

The friends-and they now number

nearly every intelligent man and wom-

an in Asheville-of the schools see the

imperative need of a more liberal equipment for the schools. More room

s demanded by the growing population

and several special departments ought

to be established, either at each of the

four schools or at one special school in

which should be taught various forms

of handicraft and domestic science

tools, and the girls in the conduct of

make a living in some one of the in-

dustrial departments of life, and it

seems a miserable shame that they

must be turned out from the schools to

practice a craft of which they know

Let me urge the people of Asheville

to stand by their schools as the chief

by a unanimous, a patriotic public sen-

not even the rudiments.

thus training the boys in the use of

this department of the schools.

their respctive schools.

Per cent. of attendance for negro

Per cent, of attendance for negro

FOR WHITE AND NEGRO RACES.

longing to its library.

some time in the summer,

what had been presented.

continued next year.

been brought about by the systematic

township school committees.

never be seated.

during the year.

OF THE COUNTY.

\$50.00. per month.

## SUPERVISOR'S ANNUAL REPORT.

in Buncombe County.

## A YEAR OF PROCRESS. and girls, from two townships, and is

The Report Shows Greater Popular Interest in the Public Schools than Ever Before-All Other Educational Institutions Are Prosperous.

such comment and explanation as my inspection of the schools will justify: Northern seed Potatoes No. 1. AVERY'S CREEK.—SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Apportionment, 1898 .......\$437.40 Number of schools ......4 Number of teachers, first grade .... 1... 2 Number of teachers, second grade ... . 2

> SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. This township is fortunate in that it has no negro population, and hence no

> NOTES .- The schools of the township have been in successful operation during the past year. Despite the very active interest taken by the school tion among the schools, owing to the fact that some errors crept into the ad-

good schools the coming year. There are three public school houses We employ no book keepers, have in the township, all in good repair. No no earthly use for one. This alone effort has yet been made to put new and improved furniture into the houses though this is the greatest need at the We hire no trifling dudes. All present time. High school work has work and love to show our customers been done in connection with the public school at Lower Avery's Creek school, for several years past, and Come to the Racket Store and feel about one tenth of the public school perfectly at home, and if you don't teachers in the service of the whole County this year, are from this town-

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y.	TO THE TAXABLE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE
e	NO. II. LOWER HOMINY-SCHOOL
-1	FOR WHITE RACE,
5	Census, \$1898
- 1	Number of schools
de	Number of teachers, first grade
n,	Number of teachers, second grade
7	Total
is	Total enrollment
	Total attendance
cf	Average monthly salary of teach
1e	ers\$27.0
e e	Total cost of schools
	Length of term80 days
ir	Cost per capita of census\$1.4
ts	Cost per capita of enralment\$2.1
u	Cost per capita of attendance\$4.3 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE
-	Census, 1898
	Number of schools
11	Number of teachers, first grade
- 6	Total enrollment
	Total attendance2
	Average monthly salary of teach-
	er\$25.0
	Total cost of schools\$10
-	Length of term80 day
R	Cost per capita of census\$1.9

Cost per capita of enrollment ..... \$1.92 | ing one house properly equipped in this Cost per capita of attendance ....\$4.16 | respect. NOTE.-The work done in the schools of this township was quite satisfactory, notwithstanding the fact that one half of the white teachers were young and inexperienced instructors. Two of the schools seem to deserve more than a passing notice. It has been the policy of the township to establish a "Central High School," at NO. V. SANDY MUSH.-SCHOOLS Sand Hill, near the center of the school territory, to which any advanced student from other schools could come for higher instruction. The principal of this school is a noted educator, who has given his splendid equipment to this work, as a sort of recreation; and his enthusiasm has been most contaglous among the large number of young men and women who have come to him for instruction. The cause of

ly indebted to this distinguished veteran teacher. The second notable school in the township is located near Inanda (Stradley School). This school is taught by the most energetic and re- SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. sourceful young woman, from one of the Western States. She is, by training and instinct, a teacher of great very serious disadvantages, over a to visit these schools before they Cost per capita of attendance.....\$4.20 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. power, and has drawn together, under

public education in the county is great-

and in social circles, among them. Such teachers as these will awake an

interest in the "deadest," most fossilized region, on the subject of education. May they, and all like them, live long and prosper! The school houses of the township are in good condition, but are lacking in suitable equipment as to desks, and charts, etc. Public sentiment is easily favorable to the schools and no

Are i Tosperous.	entertains the old idea of short school
THE SUPERVISOR OF PUBLIC	terms and cheap teachers.
SCHOOLS FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY MAKES HIS ANNUAL	NO. III. UPPER HOMINY-SCHOOLS
REPORT FOR THE PRESENT	FOR THE WHITE RACE.
SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1899:	Census, 1898
The Honorable Board of Education of	Number of schools
Buncombe County.	Number of teachers, first grade4
Gentlemen:-I have pleasure in sub-	Number of teachers, second grade 6
mitting to you my Annual Report of	Total10
the conduct of the free public schools	Total enrollment
of the County, for the school year,	Total attendance
1898-99, including as a matter of pos-	Av. mo. salary of teachers\$28.56
sible interest to your honorable Board	Total cost of schools\$1,203.49 Length of term86 days
and the general public, some statistical and other matter about the city	Cost per capita of census\$1.23
schools of Asheville, the private and	Cost per capita of enrollment\$1.57
high schools of the County, the denom-	Cost per capita of attendance \$3.39
inational colleges, and the technical	SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE.
schools located in our school territory.	Census, 189824
A summary of the teachers' reports	Apportionment \$50,00
from various townships follows, with	Number of school1
such comment and explanation as my	Number of teachers, first grade 0
inspection of the schools will justify:	Number of teachers, second grade1
	Total1
NO. I. AVERY'S CREEK.—SCHOOLS	Total enrollment 20
FOR THE WHITE RACE.	Total attendance
Census, 1898	Average monthly salary\$20.00
Apportionment, 1898\$437.40 Number of schools4	Total cost of school\$50.00
Number of teachers, first grade	Length of term
Number of teachers, second grade2	
Total	Cost per capita of enforment\$2.50

Total ....... f | Cost per capita of attendance ....\$5.55 ers..... \$28.75 had considerable experience in their Total cost of schools ..........\$310,00 work, and the majority are natives of Cost per capita of census ......\$1.14 ing. The committee have been active Cost per capita of enrollment .... \$1.84 in fostering the schools, looking sharp-Cost per capita of attendance .... \$3.60 ly after the houses, protecting the cious intermeddling of discontented point in the township where there is a

patrons of the schools. The Hominy Valley Institute has taken on new life, and now has the largest enrollment in its history. As a Central High School it is doing a fine into all the class rooms of the Institute, much to the delight of students and teachers. An educational revival is going on in the township, and few of

	the converts are likely to back-slide
	NO. IV. LEICESTER.—SCHOOLS FOR WHITE RACE.
	Census, 1898
P	Apportionment \$2,250.20
	Number of schools14
	Number of teachers, first grade 10
	second grade
	Total1
	Enrollment
	Attendance
	Average salary of teachers\$26.8
	Total cost of schools\$2,172.3
	Length of term107 days
	Cost per capita of census\$1.50
	Cost per capita of enrollment\$2.1
	Cost per capita of attendance\$4.3
	Cost per capita of attendance\$4.3

	SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE.
	Census, 1898113
	Apportionment \$196.00
	Number of schools2
L	Number of teachers, first grade1
	Number of teachers, second grade 1
1	Total
2	Enrollment103
5	Attendance
3	Average month salary\$27.50
3	Total cost of schools\$196.00
6	Length of term
6	Cost per capita of census\$1.72
18	Cost per capita of enrollment\$1.90
	Cost per capita of attendance\$4.17
98	NOTES-The schools of Leicester
00	township have been well officered both
S	in point of committee and teachers,
14	The average length of term has been
12	greater than that for any other town-

2 ship in the County, and the corps of teachers has been unexcelled. The Central School at Leicester has

been most successful, maintaining a 1 large enrollment and full attendance of 1 | pupils in all grades, greatly to the satisfaction of all patrons. fully repaired, and made as comfort-

The school houses have been careable for the pupils as possible. All the school buildings, however, are

No school disturbances of consequence have marred the progress of the work during the present session, and the teachers, committees, and patrons are to be congratulated on the success of the schools for the year.

FOR THE WHITE RACE.

Census, 1898
Apportionment \$902.0
Number of schools
Number of teachers, first grade
Number of teachers, second grade
Total
Enrollment43
Attendance
Average monthly salary\$24.5
Total cost of schools\$663.3
Length of term
Cost per capita of census\$1.
Cost per capita of enrollment \$1.5
Cost per capita of attendance\$3.
Cost per cap

ability to secure a teacher. NOTES.—The Supervisor was unable | Cost per capita of enrollment.....\$2 20

schools, and more interest has been known in the township.

given general satisfaction. A new 'brick church," costing about \$500.00. any contentions tending to disturb the able equipment for her schools. harmony of their sessions.

NO. VI. LIMESTONE.-SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Apportionment ...... \$665.60 Number of teachers, first grade ...... Number of teachers second grade .... 2 Average monthly salary ......\$25.00 Total cost of schools ......\$343.55 Length of term ......971/2 days Cost per capita of census ......\$0.65 Cost per capita of enrollment .....\$1.67 Cost per capita of attendance. ...\$3.73

SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. Number of teachers, second grade ....1 Total cost of school .....\$112.00 Cost per capita of census ......\$1.07 Cost per capita of enrollment .....\$1.67 Cost per capita of attendance ....\$3.73 NOTES-The committe are now comwhich will give a public school house two schools that have been in session for the white race, have done excellent work. The sentiment in the township

is largely in favor of public schools,

and it is hoped that the next year will

see a good school in operation at every

NO. VII. FAIR VIEW.-SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Census, 1898 ......537 Apportionment ........ \$900.96 Number of teachers, first grade .....6 Number of teachers, second grade ...1 Total cost of schools.....\$840.00

Average monthly salary ......\$26.25 Length of term ......80 days Cost per capita of census ......\$1.56 Cost per capita of enrollment .....\$2.04 Cost per capita of attendance .....\$3.47 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. Census, 1898 ......81 Apportionment ..........\$200.00 Number of schools ......2 Number of teachers, first grade ......0

Cost per capita of census .......\$2.06 houses during the year, one at Beech Cost per capita of enrolment ..... \$2.58 for the white race, and one at Weaver- and encouraging the teachers in every Cost per clapita of attendance .....\$8.12 ville for the colored race, at an average cost of \$600.00. (Approximate esti-NOTES .- An inspection of these mate.) schools, though made during the "busy season" with the patrons, showed an unusual interest in the patronage, a fair average attendance being kept up in nearly all the districts. The corps of teachers was the best, perhaps, ever employed in the township and thorough

satisfaction has resulted from their la-The Central School at Fair View maintains its high standard of scholarly attainments in its corps of teachers; and by consolidation, the school will have a session of ten months this year,

the pupils of the entire township. Only one of the six schools is equipped with suitable desks and other necessary appliances; though with one exception, the other houses are all in the home-made desks.

capita of attendance is out of all reabe continued another year.

FOR THE WHITE RACE. Number of schools taught ........... tain quarters, has passed away. The schools of Buncombe County. Number of schools not taught ......1 Total ...... their management of the schools. A Total ..... and better building, off from the public Enrollment ...... 239 road. A comfortable building is to be Average monthly salary ...... .. \$31.25 559 Total cost of schools ...........\$532.60 months, free to all the children in 6 Cost per capita of census .......\$0.96 Cost per capita of enrollment .... \$2.27 Cost per capita of attendance .....\$4.22

SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. Census, 1898 ..... Census, 1898 ......80 Apportionment ......\$90.00 Number of schools, not taught ..... Attendance ...... \$28.75 Attendance ...... \$30.00 Total cost of schools ...... \$940.75 teachers as those n Average monthly salary ...... \$30.00 Length of term ....... \$1 days Buncombe county. Cost per capita of census ......\$1.12 Cost per capita of attendance ....\$4.58

claim that the schools have had better Number of schools ...... teachers the past year than ever be-best informed about the work of the on others at a cost of \$500.00, and be- Cost per capita of attendance .....\$3.45 schools, he learns that a most satisfac- good business sense to purchase the tory session has been taught at all the sides this have had the udgment and schools, and more interest has been most comfortable patent desks now on shown by the patrons than ever before the market for all its schools. This is the only township committee that had A better class of teachers was se- the courage to do this for their schools; cured this year, and the service has and they deserve great credit for braving possible public criticism in providschool house has been erected near the ing a very necessary part of every school equipment. The school houses All the school buildings are poorly are in very good repair, and with the seated, and are without charts or new desks just put in, Swannanoa maps. None of the schools have had township will head the list in comfort-

NO. IX. ASHEVILLE.-SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Census, 1898 ......1,422 Apportionment ........\$2,680.06 Number of schools ......15 Number of teachers, first grade......15 Second grade .....1 Enrollment ..... \$06 Average monthly salary......\$20.00 Total cost of schools ......\$1,711.00 Cost per capita of census......\$1.22 Cost per capita of enrollment.....\$2.05 Cost per capita of attendance.....\$3.78 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. Number of schools ...... Average monthly salary .......\$21.00 NOTES.—A sparcely settled town-Total cost of schools Cost per capita of enrollment.....31.43 many children to have little or no op-NOTES .- The schools in this town. ship show a distinct advance over the of the township have done well indeed. session of 1897, in every respect. The | We have here almost a typical old established teachers did' better | Scotch-Irish race, simple, honest, rugwork, and the recruits generally, were ged in character as the eternal hills college bred women, several from pro- about them, but gentle and open fessional schools, whose record was minded to a delightful degree; and very satisfactory.

affairs so well carried out last year. No houses have been built, so far, by the committee, though several are contemplated for next year. Owing to the proximity of the schools of Asheville, no effort has been made to establish a central high school in the township.

NO. X. REEM'S CREEK.-SCHOOLS NO. XIV. FRENCH BROAD .-FOR THE WHITE RACE. Apportionment ..... \$1,390,86 Number of schools ..... Number of teachers, first grade ..... 7 Second grade ...... Total ...... Daily average attendance .......320 Average monthly salary of teach-Cost per capita of enrollment ..... \$2.67 Cost per capita of attendance.....\$3.21

SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. The committee had no school for the negroes this year. Creek excel all others of the County in average attendance, having won the Supervisor's prize for this condition at The teaching force has been most satisfactory. Nearly all the teachers are professionally trained and skillful in their work. The two schools, one at Weaverville and one at Hemphill, are Average monthly salary .......\$25.00 | most remarkable in that both had a The committee built two school

> NO. XI. FLAT CREEK.-SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Apportionment ..... \$1,020.12 Number of schools ......6 Number of teachers, first grade .... Total ......

Average daily attendance ..........203 Number of schools taught ..........94 Average salary of teachers ......\$28.39 Number of teachers ..............99 Total cost of schools............\$659.00 Cost per capita of enrollment......\$1.53 Cost per capita of enrollment .....\$1.96 Cost per capita of census...... \$1.01 the last six of which will be open to Cost per capita of attendance.... \$3.74 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. Number of schools ......1 good repair and fairly supplied with Number of teachers, first grade ..... 0 The colored schools have been poorly Total ...... 1 Cost per capita of census ......\$1.14 attended, and the ratio of the cost per | Enrollment ...... 31 | Cost per capita of enrollment ..... \$1.82 Cost per capita of census .......\$1.78 been could we have kept an average Cost per capita of census ......\$2.42 been could we have a serior the teachers are well prepared to control of the cost per capita of enrollment .....\$2.42 equal to that of the best individual their several grades, and the principals ers, are sustained, at an annual cost their several grades, and the principals ers, are sustained, at an annual cost their several grades, and the principals ers, are sustained, at an annual cost their several grades, and the principals ers, are sustained, at an annual cost their several grades, and the principals ers, are sustained, at an annual cost their several grades, and the principals ers, are sustained.

committee has done fine service in Cove has a continuous session of ten forded them of educating their children free of cost.

WHITE RACE. Apportionment ..... \$1,764.62 Number of schools taught .....

hundred of the children, grown boys closed, and hence has no personal NOTES.—The committee and people Apportionment .......\$100.00 the cause of popular education.

Number of teachers, second grade .... 1 Cost per capita of census .......\$1.50 | in the nature of things, succeed in rais-NOTES .- The schools of Big Ivy set out, July 1, 1897, to lead the County in the race for educational progress; and school committee, about \$4,000.00 worth

> very largest and best equipped public school house in the County has just been completed at Morgan Hill, at a cost of fully \$2,500.00. This house is a monument to the enterprise, untiring labor, and indomita. ble enterprise of the chairman of the Ivy township committee, who has for nearly two years lead the people of Morgan Hill in their effort to build a house for the education of their chil-

of school building has been done. The

Standing on an eminence, it is the crowning glory of the people of Ivy towship, a credit to the County, and an honor to the State. Ivy township has three schools in which high school departments are taught; and all the other public schools have excellent teachers, so that all classes of students are provided for in a most satisfactory manner.

NO. XIII. BLACK MOUNTAIN .-SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Number of schools ..... Number of teachers, first grade ... ... Enrollment ...... ships on the subject of building school Average daily attendance Average monthly salary of teach-Length of term ......83 days Cost per capita of census......\$1.02 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. The necessity for erecting a suitable committee from having any school 

These things considered, the schools their children are like them, easily led The committee has kept up its re- and ready to receive into bright minds cord for buisness-like disposition of its | and pure hearts the instruction furnished by teachers.

The school committee has spent about \$500.00 in school building and improvements for the welfare of both races, almost the only progress made in this respect in the township during the last ten years.

SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. Number of teachers, first grade ...... 5 Second grade..... Average daily attendance......157 Average salary of teachers ...... \$27.50 Total cost of schools ......\$805.00 Cost per capita of attendance ..... \$.12 SCHOOLS FOR THE NEGRO RACE. Census, 1898......70 Number of schools......2 Number of teachers, first grade.....2 Second grade .....0 Average daily attendance ...... Average salary of teachers......\$25.00 Total cost of schools.....\$175.00 Cost per capita of census......\$2.50 Cost per capita of enrollment ..... \$4.37 Cost per capita of attendance.....\$8.75 NOTES.—The committee has been fortunate in securing only the best teachers. The result has been very The Secretary of the committee has been unusually active in looking after

the interests of the schools, visiting

way possible. The public school senti-

ment is growing rapidly in this town-

ship, and a steady increase of attend-

ance of pupils may confidently be

looked for in the years to come.

SUMMARY OF TOWNSHIP STATIS-TICS, SCHOOLS FOR THE WHITE RACE. .5 Census, 1898 ..... Second grade ....... | Enrollment ...... 6122 .6 Average attendance ......3208 Enrollment ..... 85 1-14 days Cost of schools...,.\$12,025.73 Cost percapita of census ......\$1.23 Census, 1898 ......1361 Enrollment ......801 Number of teachers employed ......18 Average salary per month ......\$24.22 .....\$1,560.50 VIII. SWANNANOA.—SCHOOLS | Cost per capita of attendance.....\$5.00 | schools in the county! Instead of 4000 | be are thorough going educators, up-to-NOTES .- Flat Creek schools have children attending there should had a most prosperous year. Excellent double that number. But we are mak-

> which leads the student of the high STATE SUPLEMENT FOR PRIVATE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE PRES-

The total amount raised by private subscription for State duplication in the County this year, was \$1,639.00, which, being doubled by the State, gave \$3,380.00 additional public school money. By this means the average school term in the County was lengthened about 20 days. But for the uncertainty by which private subscriptions NO. XII. IVY. SCHOOLS FOR THE may be duplicated, the county could easily have raised \$5,000.000, or more than sufficient to have maintained her schools two months longer than the average term of 85 days. THE TEACHERS OF THE COUNTY.

I cannot close my report without paying a just tribute to the teachers employed, during the past year, in the public schools. It is not saying too much, I believe, when it is asserted that in no other county of the State can be found so well equipped a body of public school teachers as those now in the service in

A large number of them have had in trying to fit themselves for this very important work. To them, one and all, glory of their beautiful city; and when I owe any success that may have the appeal is made, as it soon must be, 

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power and usefulness to a system of public schools that now ranks among the best in the State, if not in the

THE PRIVATE, DENOMINATIONAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTY.

It has been my pleasure to gather, for publication with my Annual Report some general information about the leading schools and colleges located in the county.

I wish here to express my thanks to the officials of these institutions for numerous professional and personal courtesies extended me in this connec.

THE PRESBYTERIAN HOME MIS-SION WORK.

In point of investment, the schools founded by the "Woman's Board of Home Missions of the United States," is of the first rank. The Society has established the following colleges and

The Normal and Collegiate Institute, Asheville, N. C. The Home Industrial School, Ashe.

By the close of my official term, July The Farm School for Boys, Swannanoa, N. C. Mission School, Riceville, N. C. ship committee to buy, on three years' time, sufficient patent desks to seat Mission School, Jupiter, N. C. every public school house in the Coun-Mission School, Brittain's Cove, N. C.

ty. By this arrangement the schools The aggregate money value of this would have had a four months' term without closing a single year and still great educational investment is not far short of a quarter of a million dollars. have secured comfortable seats for the schools. Unless some sort of arrangeand its social and moral and religious value is beyond calculation. Suffice it ment like this is made, the schools will to say that this noble benefaction, givin wholesome tuition to more than 700 pupils annually, drawn from the homes acterized committees in several townof the lower classes of our citizenship, is doing a work that the public school houses; and quite a number of well has never done and never will be able designed buildings have been erected to do. The work of all these schools is laid out upon the grand and eternal principles of God-given philanthropy, and their enlightening influences have penetrated the deepest coves and gilded the highest peaks of the waste places of our population and shed Boardof Education was that of providabroad the true light of the Gospel of ing a system of Training Schools for Peace and taught the divine lesson of

SCHOOLS.

The Asheville College for Women, recently placed under new management. is one of the most progressive and upto-date schools in the South. Every instructor is a specialist in his department, secured for his acknowledged power to teach the special line of subjects entrusted to him. The college is now being patronized by people from distant States, in addition to the large ture institute for one week at attendance furnished by the city of Asheville and the State at large. The college property is valued at \$75,000 a cost of \$100.00, to which about and is one of the very best equipped twenty-five teachers came part of the institutions in the country. WEAVERVILLE COLLEGE is one of the oldest institutions in the

county. In its quiet, unobthe teachers did the work themselves, strusive progress it has done a fine work for nearly thirty years, in charge. The result of the work of sending out year by year scores of these training schools is easily seen in young men and women, whose fives have added dignity and wealth to the society of the country. The college property is a most valuable piece of reality, and almost every year it receives improvements. The total enrollment this year will reach 200 students. Six instructors are employed in the several departments. CAMP ACADEMY, located on the

famous Methodist camp meeting grounds, is a vigorous and growing High School, founded in 1895. The value of the property is aout \$6,000. The enrollment for the present year will reach 100 students, instructed by three

PRIVATE ACADEMIES.

The most famous boys' school in the South is Bingham's, founded 107 years ago, by the grandfather of the present superintendent of the school. umes of good literature have been Several years ago, at the urgent rebought and put into the hands of the Bingham School was moved from its under wise direction, grow till every ancient seat to the suburbs of Asheschool in the County will have a consid- ville, and known far and near as "Bingham Heights." The school property is valued at \$60,000, and always bears a premium. The school capacity is 120 students, and the limit is reached long before the school year opens. Bingham School has always been famous for its system and its thorough instruction. The equipment is perfect, on, Jr., while not under the immediate and experts say that in point of sanitation, the school is without a rival in

> SKYLAND INSTITUTE, located in the city of Asheville, is an admirably conducted school of high-grade. The enrollment for the present year is about 100 students, taught by three teachers. The library has over 500 volumes of the best classical and general authorship, which are used as a part of the course of instruction. Many students, wishing to do advanced work attend this school ecause of the special opportunities afforded for such studies. The founder and principal of the school State, and is uilding up a school of great value and importance to the city.

THE FREE KINDERGARTEN ASSO-CIATION OF ASHEVILLE.

This noble organization, like most other strictly benevolent and gratuitous enterprises, is the result of the concerted action of the gentle sympatem of grading, the work covering ten thy and tender love of a band of confull school years, four of which are secrated women for the children of the devoted to work in the central high

Charitably disposed people very heerfully give of their means to maintain the schools; but few know or care about this great and important work being done here by this Association. Three schools, employing six teachof (last year) \$1,350, and nearly hildren are given free tui The association represents about \$5 .-000 worth of real estate, and the city ought to provide by taxation a fund of adapted system of supplementary read- \$2,000 a year to extend this work to a ing, germane as far as possible, to the dozen localities in the corporate limits of Asheville. Every penny spent in educating the neglected children of to-

day will bring a thousand per cent. in return to the community, when, as law abiding, self-sustaining men and women, these waifs of the street take their places in the ranks as builders of homes in Asheville.

FINALLY. In conclusion, gentlemen, permit me

to express to you my grateful appreciation of your generous and sympathetic support, and interest manifested in the discharge of my official duties. Through your wise counsel and more mature deliberations, I have been able to avoid many errors in carrying out your policy and my own. The result boys and girls now in the schools will of my labors are written apon the schools. Your judgment will approve whatever of good has been done, your kindness will excuse the errors made in an honest effort to place our county schools at the head of the list in point of progressive education.

I beg to remain, gentlemen, Very truly yours, D. L. ELLI'.

Supervisor of County Scholis,