

The Presbyterians at Dunn.

This denomination, being numerically weak, has as yet made only a preliminary movement as to Church organization at Dunn. Several prominent ministers have held interdenominational meetings, from time to time, and such public sentiment, favoring the location of a church at once, has been around, that an earnest effort is now making by the few Presbyterian living here, and near here, to erect a house for worship, and to organize its membership, at an early day, into the form of a congregation. Through the liberality of Mr. J. J. Wade, that whom there is no more public spirited man in our town, a desirable and valuable lot has been received free of cost, at the corner of Broad and Institute Streets. A suitable building will be placed on it in a short time. In the mean time, services will be held in the Assembly Hall of "Progressive Institute," and such visiting ministers as Rev. N. McKay, D. D., Rev. D. D. McBride, and others will preach regularly at Dunn, till the Presbytery shall supply a resident pastor.

Progressive Institute.

Below are the names of pupils in students, in Progressive Institute who are entitled to Honorary Mention. School for the past month (March). Literary Department:

- Minnie McKay, Marie Braswell, Anna Williams, Emma Stone, Lizzie Brooks, Annie Harper, Callie Lee, Callie Avera, Alice Hamilton, Lizzie Tripp, Adna McKay, Ochie Phillips, Carry Taylor, Laura Pope Estle Taylor, Millie Bailey, Florence Harper, Gertrude Harper, Mary Lee, Lou Braswell, Harvey McKay, Roscoe Cox, M. D. Higgs, Albert Harell, John Hodges, Robert Lee, L. H. Lee, Claude Pope, Moses Tripp, Lonnie Hamilton, Johie Strickland, Brainard Taylor, L. A. Reaves, J. W. Williams, A. L. Barefoot, Charlie Johnson, Malcolm McKay.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

- Adna McKay, Callie Avera, Carrie Taylor, Estelle Taylor, Matie Braswell, Lou Braswell, Laura Pope, Claude Pope, Minnie McKay.

It is exceedingly gratifying to the teachers of Progressive Institute to say that, during their entire experience as teachers, they have never before met with so large a number of children who are intelligent, well-behaved, and as those that have recently fallen to their charge here. And this is the more remarkable when we consider this is spoken of as one of the "dark corners" of N. C. This very flattering but perfectly just notice of our young people we are glad to make, and hope in the future to make a more favorable report than ever.

Institute.

Died Suddenly.

Pencie Warren, wife of Lovett Warren, of Mingo Township, Sampson Co, on 8th inst. She was 31 years 11 months and 17 days old. Was the daughter of Mr. Simon Matthews of Harnett Co.

She had been a consistent member of the Missionary Baptist Church for nineteen years, having united herself with that church at Neils Creek, Harnett Co, at the young age of thirteen years.

Her seat at her church had been vacant but twice since she professed religion; on a weather bound at

Raleigh while visiting relatives there, and again visiting friends in Sampson Co. Her last words were "Jesus has come for me, I want to go" and then requested her husband to meet her in Heaven. She had only been married about six months. The griefed husband and parents of the deceased, have the heart-felt sympathy of the entire community.

How bright the unchanging morn appears, Farewell, inconstant world, farewell! Life's labor done, as sinks the day, Light from its load the spirit flies, While heaven and earth combine to say, How best the righteous when she dies.

Raleigh Biblical Recorder please copy.

The Democratic P. M.'s at Rocky Mount and Halifax have been asked down and out. This is right. We hope every Democrat who holds office under a Republican administration will be fed out of the same spoon. But the worst of all is Negroes as "black as the ace of spades", have been appointed Post-Masters, at the above mentioned places. What do the people of this country think of such an administration?

Mr. J. J. Wade, our efficient Post Master, has been informed that his services are not longer desired by the new administration.

Mr. G. W. Cox has been appointed in his stead. Mr. Cox is a clever gentleman, and we are glad he has received the appointment.

The Ladies' Memorial Association of Harnett county, have invited Prof. D. L. Ellis, so well known as the Principal of Progressive Institute, at Dunn, N. C., to deliver the Annual Oration, at the decoration of the Soldier's graves, May 10th 1889, near the scene of the famous "Battle of Averasboro".

The Harnett Courier last week gave a history of the business men of Dunn. The Courier is a hard worker for Dunn and Harnett county and it should receive a liberal share of patronage. —Hookerton Clipper.

Rev. Mr. McBride has been preaching at different points throughout Harnett county; his eulogies are so arousing the Presbyterians that they have determined to establish a church at Dunn in the near future. The necessary enthusiasm has been excited, and little excepting the funds is needed to complete and perpetuate the worthy enterprise. —Fayetteville "Observer".

We are glad to hear that the libel suit between Mr. D. F. St. Claire editor of the "Express" and Judge Fred Phillips, is now at an end. The story that the sun and moon stood still to allow Joshua to complete his victory, did not seem to be compromised. About a year ago Mr. St. Claire made a statement in the "Express" to the effect that Judge Phillips, had been drinking with Sion Buckbanon, who had a case pending in court which Judge Phillips was to try. Mr. St. Claire made a full retraction. We believe Mr. St. Claire made no statement but what he had heard and believed, but afterwards found it to untrue. If there is a better Editor, than Mr. St. Claire, or a better local paper in North Carolina than the "Express" we do not know them.

New Magistrates.

The following are the new appointed magistrates, for Harnett County:

- Andersons Creek: Nivin Ray, John F. Shaw, Averasboro: G. W. Cox, J. R. Godwin, and G. R. Hodges, Barbecue: John Darroch, J. H. Haroun, and Jas Cameron Jr. Buckhorn: M. V. Prince, B. F. Harrington, and T. B. Laneir.

Black River: S. J. Gardner, Thos. Matthews, and A. W. Gregory.

Grove: A. J. Turlington, Daniel Stewart, A. D. Turlington, John M. Stewart, and S. R. Wilson.

Hectors Creek: James A. Smith, Benj Gardner, and D. E. Green.

Johansville: A. C. Buie, D. I. McDonald, and R. C. Beiden.

Lillington: John A. Green, John W. Pipkin, and John N. Byrd.

Neils Creek: Wm. M. Sexton, H. H. Poe, Redin Byrd, and W. R. Spence.

Stewarts Creek: Jos. H. Williams, Geo. Ed. Byrd, Duncan Darroch, and D. J. Parker.

Upper Little River: John W. McLean, L. P. McKay, and H. A. Black.

These magistrates must qualify before the 11th day of May.

List Takers.

The following are the List Takers. Andersons Creek: John F. Shaw. Averasboro: W. F. Hodges. Barbecue: John Harrington. Black River: Thos. Matthews. Buckhorn: Geo. E. Prince. Grove: L. L. Turlington. Hectors Creek: R. H. Smith. Johansville: A. C. Buie, Lillington: J. W. Pipkin, Neils Creek: W. J. Long. Stewarts Creek: Duncan Darroch. Upper Little River: T. A. Harrington.

Sam Snokes' Letter.

I have took up my pen once more again to see if I can write a few lines, about the times and—any thing else that comes in the way. There are two things that pester me mightily bad about writing. One is, that my pen will not write, and the other is something else. This is the same pen that Washington used when he signed the Declaration of Independence. It has been handed down from one generation to others, till, at last, it has fallen into my hands. Some things, you know, will stick in a family. The times are about like they have always been—ever changing, but never to good. "Hard times" is such a common saying, that I have got so it don't scare me. The times are good enough; it is the hard people that makes the trouble. Some fellers around here are leaving, and going to Texas and other, because, as they say, the times are too hard about here. It is not hard times that ails a feller every time he leaves home; it is oftener because he is "mashed." Now boys, take the advice of one who has some experience in such matters: If you get mashed, don't go to Texas or Georgia or anywhere else, because, if you leave home, you will get "mashed" worse than ever—I have tried it, and know all about it.

I thought that I would have coming at the summer. I must know something else, was, but I believe every body can guess now. Well I'll declare I keep getting worse! I don't know what to say now! I have got clear off the track. This is too bad to be read by the public. Please don't publish this. This is all the paper I have. I send this just to let you know my excuse for not writing. Remember this is not to be published.

Removal Discussion.

Several months ago, the young men attending The Summerville High School met in the Academy building and organized the Summerville High School Debating Society, which has proved very successful.

At their last meeting, the following subject was chosen: Resolved, that the County Site of Harnett, ought to be moved from Lillington to Dunn.

This debate will occur on Wednesday night, May 1st, commencing at half past seven o'clock and a general invitation is extended to the citizens of the county to be present and participate in the discussion.

A. L. Plummer President.

I see the correspondent from Harnett says that the people in (the west) end of the county, oppose the removal of the county seat to Dunn for one am in favor of the change, and will give you my reasons: 1st, We must have a new court house and jail; now, if this change is made these will be built by private subscription. 2d, If the change is made, at the next session of the legislature we in this end of the county can get into a new county with Jonesboro or Sanford for the county seat, and this is what we want. —Cor. Jonesboro Leader.

We learn that on Thursday night, April 4th, a Mr Woodell living in Harnett county, was burned to death in his house, which was burning he went in after a trunk which contained his money. —"Smithfield Herald."

The State "Chronicle" last week contained a general write up of the thriving progressive town of Oxford. We think the people of Oxford, did wise in advertising their town in a North Carolina paper, and we think they could not have selected a better medium than the "Chronicle."

Bro. E. E. Hilliard, of the Scotland Neck "Democrat" is giving his "delinquent subscribers down the country." We think every paper in the State, should join him and "make it hot" for a man who is mean enough to take a paper and never pay for it.

Buies Creek Academy.

The closing exercises of this excellent school will be on the 16th of May. E. E. Hilliard Esq., the scholarly and accomplished editor of the Scotland Neck Democrat, will deliver the literary address. The COURIER hopes that Harnett county will turn out en masse to hear her gifted and talented son. Mr. Hilliard is a young man of parts, and is a self made man. There is not a more deserving man in North Carolina than Eli Hilliard. —Drs. O. L. Denning and C. M. Benton returned to Dunn last Friday from Elizabeth City, where they attended the Medical Convention and to stand the examination by the State Board. These young Doctors are deserving gentlemen and we expect to see them take a high stand in their chosen profession.

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