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Our Correspondent Says That an Error, Was Made In a Statement Some Days Ago—Not the Board But a Majority of the Board—A Reply to the Statement Made By Others.

Mr. Editor: You honored me with a correspondent's commission (unsought) during my stay at the Commencement exercises of North Carolina College at Mt. Pleasant and under adverse circumstances I did what I could.

Now it appears, from statements made to you and indirectly to me, by parties from behind the scenes, that I erred in what I wrote about the meeting of the Board of Trustees of North Carolina College, on Tuesday last. It is human to err, but it is divine or something else for those who personally know to correct the error and not seek a contrary statement through the kindness and goodness of an editor, who was farther away from the scenes than his correspondent. I do feel called upon to explain but not to withdraw my communication, appearing in your paper of Wednesday last. If my explanation does not prove satisfactory to those complaining, why let them point out the errors over their own signatures, and not shift the responsibility to your shoulders. Your columns are open, I am sure, to any one who desires to shape public opinion properly, correct real and supposed errors or record history. Everybody desires to be corrected but he wants it to come from the aggrieved—it looks better, tastes better and has a much better effect, and then we all know "who is who."

In order to make clear what I purposed to convey in my communication in Wednesday's Standard, (but want of time preventing a reading of same after being hastily and rapidly written and thus appearing more sweeping than I intended) I wish to introduce here the article in question and explain:

"While the board recognized that Synod had no power to take the action relative to the removal of the college; and tho' appreciating the matter was not referred to them (the only place where Synod can make recommendations), the Board took occasion to emphatically express its disapproval of the course of Synod in regard to the college, and thus ends all the removal agitation. It is clearly demonstrated that the Board, in its official capacity and opinions, is opposed to the removal idea."

1. Twelve men were present, and seven of them have been heard to publicly express their disapproval of Synod's action; four are known to be removalists, and one perhaps, under any circumstance, would abstain from voting. Therefore I should have said a majority of the Board recognizes that Synod has no power to move the college.

2. Again the charter of the college requires "a two-third vote of all members" for business like this; and two-thirds of 18 is 12,

and it is known by everybody who knows anything about it that twelve members DO NOT endorse the removal idea.

3. Synod's action, for reasons quite obvious, was not brought up by "the removal friends," but a resolution, just to carry out parliamentary rules, perhaps, or something else, was introduced, which gave a majority of the Board an opportunity to "emphatically express its disapproval of Synod's course." My article nowhere intimates or intends to intimate that a vote was taken, or that a resolution was passed. So it was a majority that so expressed itself and not the Board as a whole as one might be impressed by a casual reading.

4. That this "ends all" the matter, is proven by a higher authority than any of us preachers or laymen. The charter of the college, granted by the Legislature, gives the Synod no power at all over the college except to appoint to vacancies in the Board if it so desires; if not the Board "shall appoint" to carry out the "perpetual succession" so clearly marked by the entire charter. The constitution of said Board, adopted by itself, says: "Synod MAY recommend to the Board any measures they may deem conducive to the welfare of the Institution, and every such RECOMMENDATION SHALL BE CONSIDERED at the next regular meeting of the Board, and MAY be accepted or rejected." The meeting in question was "the next regular meeting" and the action was not accepted, but vigorously disapproved of by the open speeches against it with practically no defense.

5. That it "is clearly demonstrated that the Board is opposed to the removal idea" admits of no doubt, for twelve members of the board can not be found to endorse Synod's action, and it requires that number.

6. So, Mr. Editor, I cheerfully take the first opportunity I have to say that in my article wherever "Board" appears it should be preceded by "a majority of the."

The Concord Times publishes an item for which I'm told Board members furnished the points to the local reporter and it ends with these words: "but in the discussion the information developed that the Board will concur in any action that Synod sees proper to take." Some persons simply imposed on the Times' reporter, for that statement is JUST SIMPLY NOT SO. The Board has not concurred in any action and never will. It is presumption to even suppose or pray such. It is comforting to me to know that my error is the less grave.

I might throw a little more light on this interesting question, but I can not violate confidence. Finally, Mr. Editor, no one knows better than the several members from Concord, who attended the meeting of the Board Tuesday, that the signs they saw at the Board meeting did not indicate "concurrence in any action that Synod sees proper to take." Not a little bit!

I have tried to make clear the purposes of my article and if this

does not meet the notions of those raising objection to the communication, let them say, over their own signatures, wherein it is wrong. The public wants light, and those who have it from first sources ought to shed it; they shall have a respectful and dignified hearing. As your correspondent, Mr. Editor, I have reason to expect your protection until the aggrieved furnish, over their own signatures, proof of their contentions. Very truly yours, Jas. P. Cook.

June 1st, 1898.

Her Honesty Tested.

Something amusing occurred in our town some time ago, when one of a family tested the honesty of the negro servant, who continually boasted that she was as "honest as could be." A ten-dollar Confederate bill was placed in the bed one morning before she cleaned up the room. During the day the bill in some manner disappeared, and the loser offered one-half of the amount of the bill to the finder. The servant found the bill somewhere not in the house, hoping to recover five dollars for her fortunate find. The servant was requested to get it changed, but the plan failed and the negro doesn't know what to think about the matter.

The New Telephone Line.

The ringing of bells has again been increased at the St. Cloud hotel since the American Telephone Company has put in its long distance line. Mr. Jas. Northey, of Charlotte, and Mr. Edward Cox finished the connection Thursday.

Mrs. Chas. Hudson Dead.

Mr. Chas. Hudson, of No. 1 township, was made sad Thursday by the loss of his wife. One small child is also left behind to receive the care of its male parent. The remains were interred at Rocky River after the funeral preached by Rev. C. Miller.

Would Not Suffer So Again for Fifty Times the Price.

I awoke last night with severe pains in my stomach. I never felt so badly in all my life. When I came down to work this morning I felt so weak I could hardly work. I went to Miller & McCurdy's drug store and they recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It worked like magic and one dose fixed me all right. It certainly is the finest thing I ever used for stomach trouble. I shall not be without it in my home hereafter, for I should not care to endure the sufferings of last night again for fifty times its price.—G. H. Wilson, Liveryman, Burgettstown, Washington Co., Pa. This remedy is for sale by M. L. Marsh & Co., druggist.

A Distressing Accident.

A very unfortunate disaster occurred Thursday at Morganton. A party of 34 patients were doing some work on the grounds when a storm came up and they took shelter under the bowling-alley. The building was blown down and one, Mr. Sawyer, was killed and 12 were injured. We do not give the names, as there are none, we think, from near here.

It is feared that some of the injuries are fatal.

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Meeting Postponed.

It is thought best to postpone the class work for teachers which announced to begin on next Monday. C. S. Culer.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jno. P. Allison returned home last night.

—Miss Grace Brown returned home this morning from Mt. Pleasant.

—Mrs. K. L. Craven went to Greensboro this morning to attend the convention of the W. C. T. U.

—Mrs. Montcastle, of Lexington, is spending today with Mrs. Dusenbury on her return from a trip to South Carolina.

—Miss Ella Walter went to Charlotte this morning to spend several days. She will attend the commencement of Elizabeth college.

—Miss Minnie Fellers, who recently graduated at Mont Amena, is visiting her classmate, Miss Hattie Weddington. Miss Fellers will probably spend several weeks here before returning to her home in South Carolina.



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