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It is rather noticeable that the only
manufactory that ever quit business in
Gastonia was one that made coffins.—
Gastonia Gazette.

Perhaps the people were like
some others who might be men-
tioned, dead and didn't know it.

The graded school is to open
on the 6th, Claremont and Le-
noir colleges on the 7th, and St.
Paul's school on the 15th. With
all these institutions in operation,
Hickory can certainly not be ac-
cused of indifference to learning.
Each is first-class in its field and
gives its pupils the best of intel-
lectual and social training. That
they may all go on to the highest
success is the wish of every good
citizen.

The good roads circular just is-
sued by the state geological and
economic survey shows that Cata-
wba county, with 400 miles of
roads, has not one mile of im-
proved roads of any description.
The roads are still worked by the
old and should be obsolete road
law labor tax, and our convicts
are not worked on our roads.
Comment is superfluous, but it
may be remarked that Catawba
will never take the place to
which she is entitled among her
sister counties of the state until
she improves her roads.

How sentiment has changed in
North Carolinians the past 60
years or so is strikingly shown by
the Catawba County News, as
follows:

"Resolved, that while North Caro-
lina, in the opinion of this Legislature,
will never object to any amount of
taxes, equally apportioned and im-
posed for the purpose of raising revenue,
to support the Government, economi-
cally administered; yet this will never
consent to the imposition of taxes, the
design and operation of which are to
promote the interests of particular oc-
cupations at the general expense."
The above is a copy of the resolu-
tion passed by the Legislature of North
Carolina in 1842, and is of interest now
since all the representatives save one
voted in the last Congress for protec-
tion in one form or another."

Some way should be devised
for stopping promiscuous spitting
on the sidewalks. It is not only
that it is offensive to people of any
sensibility to have to wade
through pools of tobacco, and
other filth, but the practice is a
menace to the health of the com-
munity. There is no more pro-
fitable source of disease than this,
and it should be stopped in the
interests of public health, if for
no other reason.

The habit of throwing waste
paper into the streets is another
practice which should be stopped.
It is an offence to every canon
of good taste, and distasteful to
every lover of neatness and or-
der. If there is not a city ordi-
nance prohibiting such practice
there should be one, and it should
be strictly enforced.

To one not familiar with the
ways of a certain class of people
it is a little singular how the man
who never advertises, because
"It doesn't pay, nobody ever

reads such matter," is the most
eager of all to get a free notice
in the paper which will call at-
tention to his business. Such a
man will send a notice to the ed-
itor announcing that Mr. So-and-
So has gone to the market to buy
his Fall stock of goods and will
return with a full line of what
ever he may be dealing in, and
he is much agrieved when the
editor refuses to publish it. The
same man is the one who is al-
ways caught by the fake adver-
tising schemes, and will give up
his dollars for a place in some cir-
cular, or something of the kind,
which nobody will ever read,
and which is entirely valueless
as a means of publicity. The av-
erage man needs education in
more directions than one.

IMPROVED HIGHWAYS.

The expenditure of the \$25,000
voted for the improvement of
our highways means more for the
betterment of our city than any
other work ever undertaken here.
The money is ample sufficient, if
properly used, to put all the
streets within the city limits in
good condition. It is whispered
that it is the intention of the city
government to use some of this
money in the payment of
back debts and for other unauth-
orized purposes.

It is sincerely to be hoped that
this rumor has no foundation in
fact. This money was voted by
our citizens for a specific purpose,
and the officials have no right,
either moral or legal, to use it
for anything else. There is much
quiet criticism heard here and
there as to the way in which the
city's money has been expended
in the past, and the meagre in-
formation which is given to the
citizens by the monthly financial
report, and it will be much to be
regretted if any further excuse
is given for adverse criticism.

We are convinced that the
present city government has only
the best interests of the city in
view, and intends to act only for
its best good. We hope, there-
fore, that no ill advised action on
its part will give any excuse for
further hostile comment.

FOR GOOD ROADS.

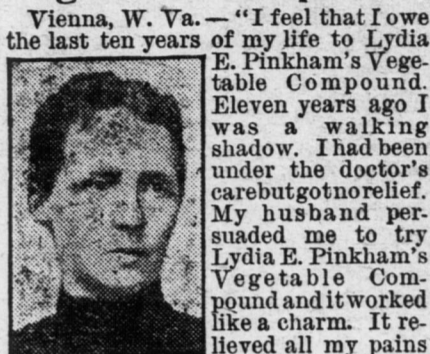
**Our Farmers Being Aroused
to the Necessity of Work
in This Line.**

The Catawba Live Stock Associa-
tion, which was formed last
February with 8 members and
now has 20, is the only organiza-
tion of its kind in the state. Its
purpose is to increase interest in
stock raising, promote better
farming, build good roads, buty
machinery together, exchange
bulls to prevent inbreeding, build
telephones, increase and improve
the poultry business and any-
thing else which will help the
farmer. Its members strongly
favor good roads and, hav-
ing failed to get the county com-
missioners to do anything, have
built split log drags and are try-
ing to make better roads them-
selves. Along the road leading to
"Oakwood" they have used
this drag with remarkable effect,
and as a result the roads are bet-
ter than ever before. They are
high in the center and hence

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well drained, the ruts are gone
and the holes filled up.

At a recent farmers' institute
held at R. L. Shuford's "Oak-
wood Farm" Mr. R. W. Scott
was called on to talk good roads.
He said that he had been hearing
how old Catawba was leading in
many lines, and so much had been
said about Catawba that he came
prepared to see good roads, and
utterly astonished to find that
we didn't have them. A score
of years ago Alamance people
got tired of mud and so they
adopted a tax of 8 1/3 cents, later
they increased this to 16 2/3
and finally, seeing that their sys-
tem was wrong, they jumped in
and voted \$200,000 of good roads
bonds last year and now, instead
of there being any kicking about
taxes, the farmers were fussing
because they couldn't get more
and more roads. The only op-
position to roads came from the
farmers themselves, which was
strange. The farmer uses the
roads most; they are as the
breath of life to him, and he
should join with the towns in
hearty co-operation and work
for better highways. Mr. Scott
cautioned the people to go slow
and make no mistakes. The ad-
vice was good. Catawba can go to
Mecklenburg and to Guilford and
to Alamance and learn their ex-
perience, and come home the
possessor of knowledge that cost
thousands, but which is free to
Catawba.
Mr. Scott said that if Catawba
delayed she would certainly be
damaged. The county is too fer-
tile, the people too clever and
thrifty and intelligent, to put up
with red mud any longer. The
mud tax is the heaviest tax they
pay, but it is like the tariff, an
indirect tax, so they do not feel
it so keenly as the tax they pay
the sheriff. If they had to pay
their mud tax directly—the same
amount—to the sheriff, they
would be oiling their old muskets
and swearing they would not
suffer such a burden. The spirit
of '76 would not be in it with
the furious indignation that would
seize hold of the people.

Veteran's Day.

The Confederate veteran's
turned out in force for the re-
union at Charlotte last week, and
enjoyed themselves to the full.
Their ranks are thinned year by
year, and each occasion of this
sort only serves to bind the sur-
vivors more closely together.
The parade was of course the
great event of the day, and was
participated in by 1,085 old sol-
diers. A crowd of over 10,000
witnessed it, and their apprecia-
tion of the men who marched was
demonstrated by frequent bursts
of hearty applause. There were
three bullet-riddled battle flags
in the parade, each borne by the
man who carried it in actual bat-
tle. There were various recep-
tions, and also a barbecue, all of

which were fully appreciated.

Of the 2,300 veterans who
were in attendance about 60 were
from Catawba county, among
those going from this vicinity
being A. A. Shuford, Co. F, 23d
regiment; C. L. Hawn and J. S.
Ward, Co. K, 35th, the latter a
lieutenant; L. A. Whitener, Co.
A, 12th; S. E. Killian, Co. K,
46th; Moser and Barger, Co. C,
28th; J. F. Jarrett, of the junior
reserves, 72d; E. Crouch, Co. B,
11th; Prof. G. W. Hawn and T.
P. Cloninger, of the 23d; W. C.
Yount, S. Suttlemyer and Fred
Herman, and Alfred Killian of
the Palmetto Sharpshooters, of
South Carolina.

A HICKORY VISITOR'S VIEW.

Pass it down the line. Great
is Charlotte, the most progres-
sive city in all the Piedmont re-
gion. Her sky-scraper buildings,
her tall steeples, and the height
of aspirations, of her leading
citizens, are only limited by space.
The old heroes agree,

That nothing was wrong;
The whole thing was right,
The coffee was strong
The light bread was light.
The pickles were new.
And so was the beef,
And sweet mountain dew
Was such a relief.

We had lager-beer,
And cold drinks erstwhile,
To keep our eyes clear
They repeated the smile.

The Catawba camps' contin-
gent was offered by Col. White-
ner and Major Killian, and you
know that meant good behavior
by all the old boys; though there
was one case of insubordination.
One of the boys drank fifty bot-
tles of beer, besides coffee, lem-
onade, cold drinks and the morn-
ing winning smiles. One of the
officers suffered burglary in a
small way. He was stopping at
the Queen City, and a thief did
feloniously break into his suit
case and extract therefrom his
bottle of medicine and pocket
handkerchief. But he is a very
modest man, and declined to ac-
cept any indemnity from the
proprietor or to have the police
to run down the burglar.

You may sing way down in Dixie,
And my old Kentucky home;
We'll not forget that whiskey
For many days' to come.

And in the drum corps blare and rattle,
In line we bravely stood,
We felt we could again do battle,
That liquor was so good.

Lenoir College Opening.

The next session of Lenoir Col-
lege will open on Tuesday morn-
ing at 9 o'clock, September 7.
Students will be enrolled and
classified and work will be as-
signed at once. All students
should reach the college on Mon-
day, September 6th. On this day
all trains will be met by teachers
and former students. The college
has in readiness a large supply of
books for the students. There
will be no delay in the matter.
Be on time! Friends and pat-
rons are cordially invited to at-
tend the opening exercises. The
indications for a good opening
are most encouraging.

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curing Prof. H. O. Whitmore, A.
B., A. M., of the University of
Virginia, for the chair of Chem-
istry, Physics and Geology, and
Prof. W. L. Stirewalt for the
chair of Economics and Greek.
Both have had five years of suc-
cessful experience in teaching
their subjects.

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home has been completed and the
entire building newly painted.
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been given a coat of fine paint.
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stalled in Highland Hall, and about
a hundred dollars worth of work
has been done on the campus.
Through the kindness of friends
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materials are being added to the
laboratories. All will be in readi-
ness for the opening and a good
year is promised. Prof. M. L.

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tory, this year. He and his good
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