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## NOTICES.

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### New Advertisements.

Land Sale—F. L. CLINE.  
 Beef Proposals—ASYLUM.  
 Lawn party next Tuesday evening.  
 All we ask is a chance at your job work.  
 "Communicated" is an adept in the use of irony.  
 A long communication to the farmers will appear next week.  
 Five thousand men are cleaning up the Johnstown wreckage.  
 The printing of school catalogues is made a specialty by the Hickory Ptg. Co.

Quite a party came from Blowing Rock last Wednesday morning and are at the Hickory Inn.

The trial of Dr. McDow, for the murder of Capt. Dawson of Charleston, will commence on the 24th inst.

A heavy rain and wind storm did some damage to crops and fruit trees in and around Hickory last Tuesday.

We would be very grateful to our readers for any news items they may hear or know. Hand or send them to us.

"Malice and envy love a lofty mark!— Suffer not the senseless gossip of a senseless crowd to wound you."

The Hickory Mfg. Co. are preparing to erect brick shops in place of the ones they now occupy and from which they turn out so much fine wood work.

Mr. H. P. Hoffman says he has some cabbage stalks which measure 50 2/3 inches high and 5ft 1/4 inch across. He says they can not be beaten in the County.

The Baptist Sunday school joined by some of the other young people of Hickory spent last Friday at the Spaulding Catawba Springs in picnicking and high living.

We have frequent requests to send our paper with a promise to pay "when time is up." We enter new names on our list for cash only. We have quit the credit business.

There are several cellars in town several feet deep in water. The sanitary committee should see into this and remedy it. Act now, do not wait till some one is sick.

The ladies of the Episcopal Guild will give a lawn social at the residence of D. W. Shuler, Tuesday evening June 25th. Ice Cream and cake will be served. Everybody invited.

A letter from Col. W. W. Lenoir informs us that his left side is only partially paralyzed, and that he is suffering from no nervous prostration. We hope will soon be entirely recovered.

From an article in the Lenoir Topick we learn that one can get lodging and breakfast for 75c. If we were as glad to see a stranger as Lenoir is we would likely offer chromos at that board for them.

Some sport lovers amused themselves last week by turning all the sick hats at hand into pin cushions, while the owners thereof, were enjoying themselves talking to fair damsels at the reception.

We trust Hickory, if ever in need of help from the outside world, will not be treated as our citizens have treated the Johnstown sufferers. The call for help for humanity's sake is as yet unheeded.

## Claremont College Commencement.

### THE MOST BRILLIANT AFFAIR IN THE HISTORY OF HICKORY.

#### HIGH CULTURE SHOWN BY THE PUPILS IN MUSIC, ART AND LITERATURE.

Perhaps never before in the history of education in North Carolina has any institution in the brief space of four months burst upon the public with all the culture and training as well as the powers and privileges of a full fledged college, as Minerva sprang full-grown from the brain of Jove. Yet this is what the Commencement at Claremont College has conclusively shown, not only to this section, but to the State.

#### ART LEVEE—TUESDAY EVENING.

The levee on Tuesday evening opened the most delightful series of displays in art, music and literary work ever offered our people, the walls of the spacious studio were hung with pictures, and its floor filled with elegantly dressed and appreciative visitors.

Four works of the famous teacher, Miss Laura Norwood, were especially admired—"The Magdalen," copied from the original by Cerezo; "Ruten's Son," from the original by the master; "The Dancing Girl," from the original by Greuze, all in the Royal Museum at Berlin, and Watauga Falls, from nature, which, in the opinion of many, is the best work of this artist. Among other oil paintings we noticed that much attention was bestowed upon Miss Claudia Field's "At the Mouth of the Medway," Miss Mamie Dixon's "Off the Orkneys," Miss Mary Whitte d's "Blowing Rock," Miss Eugenia Whitted's Windmill; Miss McSwain's lovely studies of still life—"Fruit," "My Grandmother's Candle Stand" and Books and Flowers, and other views of the same subjects by Miss Tillinghast; as showing wonderful progress in the development of their talents under skillful teaching.

Among the Crayons, Miss Ad. Shuford's "Night," Miss Laura Lenoir's "Head of the Christ Child," from theistine Madonna, and her remarkable sea piece, H. M. F. Galata; Miss Fannie Payne's "Expectation," Miss Battle's "Day Dream," Miss Tillinghast's portraits, one of which was a striking likeness of the daughter of Hon. S. F. Phillips, now Mrs. Maxwell, of Statesville, N. C.; Miss Motz's "Horses' Heads," and portrait; Miss Motz's "Galata," and "Dog's Head," Miss Corpening's "Deer," Miss Sallie Lenoir's copy from Landseer, and Miss Cornelia Smith's humorous sketch of the Grandfather and Child, and her "Mandolinata"—all showed earnest devotion to art, and in many cases unusual ability.

It is very plain that the interest in art culture here, first aroused by Mr. Grace's beautiful work and zealous efforts, has in no way diminished under the influence of Claremont, with its accomplished teacher and proficient pupils.

#### CONCERT—WEDNESDAY EVENING.

On Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock the chapel was packed with an audience well adapted to stimulate and enjoy the efforts of the young ladies who so successfully ministered to its pleasure.

Sieges March, Malley and Trio, by the younger pupils, not accustomed to play in public, showed good rhythm, delicate shading of expression and above all careful training. The piano solos of Misses Tillinghast and Abernethy, and especially of Misses McIntosh and Link, de-

serve mention; Miss McIntosh playing with brilliant style and fine expression, while Miss Link's rendering of Schumann's Carnival Jests showed unusually sustained effort and an easy mastery of technical difficulties. The overtures Tigranes, Barber of Seville, and Zampa, were given with remarkable precision, delicacy and spirit, the first, in which Miss Bessie Shuler took part and showed the fine qualities she possesses as an artist, and the last especially arousing the enthusiasm of the hearers. Miss McIntosh rendered Beethoven's Adelaide in her well known sympathetic manner. Miss Mattie Cowles sang the Aria from Gazza Ladra as purely and sweetly as a bird. Miss Motz interpreted the saucy page of Meyerbeer's Huguenots to the life, and the duett of the two last named young ladies but partially satisfied the desire of the audience to listen to them. Miss Abernethy, who thoroughly understood her part, is gifted with great natural powers of voice and expression, and looked the singer, in her rendition of the song of Judith almost divided the honors of the evening with Mrs. Sanborn; the latter's magnificent singing of the Aria from Traviata brought for a time the Grand Opera among us, and made us feel what is the delightful lot of the citizens of the great capitals, where such music, so sung, is a part of their daily education.

#### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES—THURSDAY.

On Thursday at 11:30 a. m. the "secret girl graduates"—Misses Hanna, Mary and Eugenia Whitted, and Laura Lenoir—finished their course of education, began at Davenport under the same faculty now at Claremont.

Skillful and willing performers lent the charms of music to the occasion, and the young ladies above named, after reading their essays, and listening to a few most complimentary remarks from President Sanborn, received their well earned diplomas from the hands of Mr. J. G. Hall, one of the Trustees, who delivered them in a most dignified and impressive manner.

In matter, diction and manner of delivery, the graduating essays were far superior to the ordinary commencement speeches. They were entirely original, timely, and delivered with exceeding grace and distinctness, showing habits of well trained thought. Many flowery garlands were showered upon the graduates.

The commencement address was delivered by Judge Cilley, and is published elsewhere in this paper. It speaks for itself. No word from us can add to its merit, but our love for a grand and good thing impels us to ask for it a careful, a studious reading. It will do for a whole Sunday afternoon study. There are ideas in it the greatest and wisest men have never uttered, if they ever held them. In that speech you get a clearer view of the workings of our Creator as also of our individual responsibility. It is a study for teachers and a study for pupils. Read it.

#### RECEPTION—THURSDAY EVENING.

The reception at night, from 9 to 12, was the most orderly and charming we ever attended. All of our best people crowded to the rooms of the college, and in that delightful gathering time passed so swiftly by that we were all surprised to find it midnight, when the accomplished Madame Von Bulhow showed by her energetic action that she was emphatically the Belle of the Reception.

May Claremont live, grow and flourish under her now very proficient faculty.

## HIGHLAND ACADEMY.

### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES IN THE CHAPEL.

#### HON. F. H. BUSBEE OF RALEIGH, MAKES AN INTERESTING TALK.

The annual commencement exercises of Highland Academy were held in the auditorium of the academy building on the afternoon of Thursday last. The crowd in attendance was large well conducted and in every way satisfactory. A portion of the M. O. Band furnished the music, and right blithely and beautifully did it sound. The opening prayer by the Rev. Mr. Weston was followed by a most creditable and interesting declamation by Wm. Hale Jr., after which the certificates of distinction were awarded to a large class of deserving boys by their much loved and highly esteemed Principal Prof. R. K. Meade Jr., by whose persistent labor and careful training the scholars of Highland have been reared to the high standing they now occupy.

Mr. E. B. Cline, a former director at Highland, in a short but eloquent and well worded talk presented the four medals awarded to the successful contestants.

After the presentation of medals for high honors won the president of the institution in a few and well chosen words introduced the orator, Hon. Fab. H. Busbee, of Raleigh, who had left the pressure of important professional duties to be present on this occasion and had just arrived on the noon train.

This able lawyer and statesman is well known in North Carolina and the mere mention of his name is a guarantee to the public of something bright and interesting. His leading thoughts were upon the Dignity of Manual Labor and its necessary conjunction with the mental, if true success would be attained. Perfect education is that of the hand no less than the head.

The speaker's plea for woman's competition in all the walks of life was particularly felicitous.

A declamation by Arthur Hay and the benediction concluded the program. The names of the successful medalists are as follows:

- 1st class. Geo. W. Hall.
- 2nd " Robt. C. Chase.
- 3rd " Albie Smith.

Improvement in writing, Beverly Southland.

The principal of Highland, Prof. R. K. Meade, Jr., has during the term just closed but added to the high reputation he had already established among our people as a constructor of young men.

With pleasure they heard Mr. Hall announce that he would most probably continue his position during the next scholastic year.

#### Piedmont Wagon Works.

The Piedmont Wagon Co. has commenced work on their new buildings. The old shops have been torn down and commodious brick buildings will soon stand in their stead. The main building, which when completed will be a wagon making edifice—start timber in at one door and a wagon will roll out at another. The building is very large and will be the most conveniently arranged shops in the United States. It will be, virtually speaking, fire proof—it being so arranged that all three floors can be flooded with water in an incredibly short space of time.

Every department of the new work is being rapidly pushed ahead and will soon be ready for occupation.

## PERSONALS.

Miss Freelove Henry is visiting Mrs. J. G. Hall.

Rev. J. A. Foil was in the city Monday on business.

Mr. Kenneth Menzies is on a pleasure trip to the sea shore.

Mr. E. L. Shuford left last Tuesday night for Morehead City.

Miss Gertrude Ellis, left for Morehead city last Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Harriet Barger, widow of Tom Barger, died in this city last Friday, aged 77.

Mr. T. K. Bruner, Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, paid us a pleasant visit yesterday.

Misses Annie White, Lou Burleyson and Nellie Kirkpatrick are visiting at Mr. C. M. White's.

Robt. K. Black, accompanied by quite a party of ladies, left on Tuesday evening for the Teachers' Assembly and salt water bathing at Morehead City.

Mrs. Motz accompanied by her two daughters, Misses Carrie and Alda, who have been at Claremont for the past term, returned to their home in Lincolton last Monday.

Among the party which left Hickory last Tuesday for Morehead City were the following: Misses Geitner, White-son, Rinne, and McSwain; Mrs. Thurston, Mrs. Stuart and Mrs. Von Bulhow.

#### The Gayest Eye of the Season.

On last Friday a whiffper went abroad that filled the youth of Hickory with intoxicating joy, i. e., thanks to the kindness and generosity of the young men of our town, there was to be a grand ball, card party and luncheon in honor of guests in town for the commencement exercises of our colleges. The young men (after the manner of young men of well filled pockets and liberal hearts) had engaged the thoroughly efficient Proprietor of the Hickory Inn to change his reception rooms and a sumptuous lunch for the entertainment of the guests. At an early hour the well filled rooms proved now thoroughly the efforts of the young men were appreciated, and the enchanting strains issuing from the brightly illuminated ball room quietly assured one and all that they were again under obligations to the young men for having secured the services of the Harpers. The scene that greeted the eye beggars description and the magnificent costumes of the ladies were only excelled by their youth, beauty and grace. As a compliment to gallantry of the young men it is only necessary to know of their efforts in "getting up" an affair which added so much to the pleasure of all. The lack of time and space prevents further detail and it is only necessary to add in the words of the poet: "Of all ad words of tongue or pen, The saddest are these—it might have been."

COMMUNICATED.

#### Improvements.

The Press and Carolinian has been slightly enlarged and fitted out with new rules, lead lines, etc. We hope to gain a large increase in circulation by giving you the largest and best paper in this district. We already have the largest circulation but want more names. You get the benefit of every dollar paid us—in improvements in the paper.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18.—Marshal L. Mott has been appointed Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina at Salisbury.