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Selected Poetry.

WINTER.

BY H. BARNES.

The first of snow!—Monarchs are coming! We hear the hoarse rattling hoofs All the forests are laden with frost Through the snow that has cast Its mantle on the forest's crown And the white fingers are thrusting A large and the greatest flag pole.

CONFERENCE REPORTS.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

TRINITY COLLEGE.

The Committee on Education beg leave to make the following report in regard to this Institution: This Institution has been before this Conference and the public for so many years, that your committee feel that it is wholly unnecessary for them to employ the time of the Conference in making a long report.

BATENFORD FEMALE COLLEGE.

This Institution located in Lenoir, Caldwell county, and being in the transferred territory, comes now before this Conference for the first time. For this reason a brief description of the premises is herewith submitted: The college buildings are located on a lot of 16 acres in the suburbs of the town of Lenoir.

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commodious chapel, recitation rooms, Painting, Cabinet, Music, Philosophical and Librarian departments, together with a large three-story boarding house within ten feet of the college building proper, containing ample room for sixty pupils.

This property now, in good repair, is estimated at worth \$15,000, and is deeded to a Board of Trustees and their successors for the use and purposes of Female Education, conditioned upon the contingency of its perpetuity.

There were 98 matriculates last session. Your committee find that before closing this report, there are some facts in connection with this Institution demanding notice.

The following Board of Trustees are recommended, viz: James C. Harper, President, Edmund W. Jones, Treasurer, A. A. Scroggs, Secretary, Rev. G. W. Round, Azor Shell, Presiding Elder Shelby District, Preacher in Charge of Lenoir Circuit, Jas. A. Claywell, Morganton, John Rutherford, Bridgewater.

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plan proposed, and whether it is practicable to meet the requests of the Board of Trustees. Your committee offer the following resolution: Resolved, That the North Carolina Conference recognize the Rutherford Seminary as a co-laborer with the other educational institutions of our Conference, and commend it to the patronage of our people.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF GREENSBORO' FEMALE COLLEGE. The Trustees of Greensboro' Female College submit the following report: The Board met in the town of Greensboro' in July last, and organized regularly under the charter granted them by the General Assembly of the State.

The Board is authorized by Revs. N. H. D. Wilson and Wm. Barringer to say that a corresponding amount (\$3,015) from the subscription in the town of Greensboro' shall be forthcoming, whenever the Building Committee shall draw on them.

The Board has the assurance from Wilson & Shober, that the property known as the Greensboro' Female College property, in the town of Greensboro' will be sold to the Board at cost (principal and interest). See report of sub-committee herewith submitted.

The Board asks for the appointment by the Conference, as provided in the charter, as additional Trustees—Revs. Wm. H. Bobbitt and Jesse A. Cunningham. We have interpreted our Secretary to make out a list of those who have pledged accounts in each pastoral charge, and place it in the hands of each preacher, with the earnest request that he co-operate with us in collecting it.

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Resolved 2. That we highly approve the employment of Rev. Ira T. Wylie as Agent for the State of North Carolina, and that we will cordially cooperate with him and the auxiliaries, in securing funds for the cause, and also in distributing the books.

Resolved 3. That every family ought to have at least one Bible. Respectfully submitted, J. H. WHEELER, Chm.

REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

Your committee on Church property beg leave to submit the following report: We have carefully reviewed the subjects committed to our investigation, and feel compelled to state, that for several reasons, we find it impossible to gain such information as would enable us to present such a report on the value and condition of our church property as is desirable.

As to our Parsonages, two new ones have been purchased and nearly paid for during the past year, but we are sorry to say that many of these are by no means well furnished. The pure mind of our membership needs stirring up on this point, that our preachers may find a comfortable home in every pastoral charge.

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May God bless the people of Greensboro' and the members of the North Carolina Conference. Yours, Rev. SAML LEARD.

Selections.

THREE CENTURIES OF PROTESTANTISM IN EUROPE.

The three leading races of Europe are the Teutonic, the Celtic, and the Slavonic nations. The former are to be found in England, Scotland, the north of Ireland, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Prussia; the latter in the north of Europe, and in the German States, as well as the minor German States, and German Switzerland. The Celts are to be found in the south of Ireland, in France, in the French speaking cantons of Switzerland, and in Belgium.

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PROF. A. T. BLEDSOE.

We find the following, announcing the reception of this gentleman into our church, in the Baltimore Sun of the 5th Instant. With the services of Dr. Munsey and Dr. Bledsoe, the congregation at Central Church in Baltimore will be blessed beyond the common lot of man in pulpit ministrations.

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Communicated.

THE LATE N. C. CONFERENCE HELD IN GREENSBORO.

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