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## Nearly \$400,000 for Charitable Institutions

Board of Public Charities in Session—Elaborate Report of the Secretary, Capt. C. B. Denson, Read at Yesterday's Session

The Board of Public Charities is now in session in this city. The following members were present at the meeting yesterday afternoon: Dr. Chas. Duffy of New Bern, chairman; Mr. W. N. Jones of Raleigh, and Mr. Edgar L. Horton of Jones county. The other two members, Messrs. W. F. Craig of Marion, and Wm. A. Blair of Winston, are expected today. The sessions will last until tomorrow.

The principal business yesterday was hearing the report of the secretary, Capt. C. B. Denson. The report is a lengthy one, covering about two hundred pages of manuscript. From it the following extract is made, which gives a comprehensive idea of what is being done, and the cost of maintaining the charitable institutions of the state:

The following is a brief review of the status of the institutions, the fuller details being found in the reports of the officers in charge, to this board.

### State Hospital at Raleigh

Since the last report Dr. Geo. L. Kirby has died, under whose faithful superintendence large additions were made to the institution, and Dr. Jas. McKee has succeeded him. There are 108 male, 252 female patients; total 420. The proper accommodating facility is reported at 417. It is therefore entirely filled, and there are 66 applications on file. During the year there were 143 admissions and 147 discharges, including 41 deaths and 98 cures. This gives a percentage of about 10 per cent of mortality on population, which, however, should properly be less if total population from beginning to close of the year were reported. The percentage of cures upon admissions is 68. About two-thirds of the patients are employed. The appropriation for the year is \$71,500 for maintenance, and a special appropriation for floors and new stairways of \$1,250. There was also a special appropriation of \$10,000 (payable \$5,000 annually) to pay off indebtedness incurred by deficit in 1900. The superintendent is endeavoring to ascertain the patients who may be able to defray their expenses in accordance with requirements of the act of 1901. He urges increased provision for the insane, and suggests further accommodations at the State Hospital, Raleigh to provide for the insane of the Eastern district.

### State Hospital at Morganton

Dr. P. L. Murphy, superintendent, reports the important improvements of more than doubling the water supply, by the purchase of 400 acres of the head water of Long creek at a cost of \$3,000. He recommends that another water main be put in, to the junction of the supply from Black Fox branch. The dam has been constructed.

The total number under treatment during the year was 877, and remaining November 30, 1900, 326 males, 419 females; total 745; and November 30, 1901, 344 males, 419 females; total 763. The percentage of recovery upon admission (132) is 77. "By counting those discharged as not insane" as recovered, and discharging some persons nearly recovered, the percentage could easily be made much larger. The percentage of mortality upon total number under treatment (there having been 28 deaths) is about 3.13. There were 120 refusals of admissions, all for want of room, and 28 readmissions.

Reference is made to the report for the steps taken in the endeavor to ascertain what patients have estates or friends who can defray the cost of their support, to carry out the legislative enactment referring thereto.

The appropriation was \$100,000 per annum for support, \$10,000 per annum to pay a debt incurred in support of patients for biennial period of 1899, 1900, and equipping building for patients. Not much progress on the latter, the weather being unfavorable for brick making. The per capita cost is \$133. The farm, garden and dairy products have been varied and extensive.

State Hospital at Goldsboro  
Dr. J. F. Miller reports an addition

of importance in a new building, 170 feet long, with three stories, at a cost of \$20,000, when finished, furnished and equipped. It has 32 rooms for male patients besides associate dining room and repository for commissary supplies. This institution is for the colored race, and had on roll November 30, 188 males, 273 females; total 461. The general average for year has been 458.17 and percentage of cures 88.56-100, upon admissions (number recovered 23), the number of deaths 20, giving percentage of mortality of 3.83.

During the year 52 were declined for want of room, and 8 as not being proper subjects. More would have been, but their applications were discouraged. The appropriation was \$47,500. There are 143 from the Western district, and 318 from the Eastern district. Employment is a prominent feature in the treatment. The superintendent suggests the need of a special appropriation for cold storage plant, and fire escapes. He also refers to the necessity to borrow funds for the completion of the new building as only \$5,000 of the special appropriation had been received. He expresses the belief that a large number of colored insane remain unprovided for.

### School for the Deaf and Blind

The inmates are: Eighty-two white blind girls, 105 blind boys; total 187 white pupils. At the colored department, 38 colored blind girls, 25 blind boys, 44 colored deaf girls, 55 deaf boys, a total of 165 colored pupils, and grand total of 352. There are 25 applications. The daily average attendance has been about 260, and per capita cost nearly \$200.

The amount of expense fund is \$50,000 a year, and there is a special appropriation of \$10,000 for improvements. The large dining and music hall at the white department has been completed during the year, and other improvements made, and a building constructed at the colored department for the new pump for water from a deep well of 450 feet, over which has been erected a 6,000 gallon steel tank. The Principal states that there is serious need of a lighting plant, additional machinery for broom making and carpenter department, maps, globes, pianos and two pipe organs, whose total cost would be about \$25,000. He also declares that if his funds were larger, he could improve the diet of pupils and introduce better ventilation in the older portions of the buildings. There are accommodations for 150 of each sex, at the white department, and 125 of each at the colored department, if sufficient means were provided for their support. There are at least 200 white and colored children who need its care and training.

### School for the Deaf and Dumb at Morganton

There has been admitted 35 new pupils (in addition to number enrolled at last report), four have completed their time and been discharged, three as incapable of instruction and 23 did not return after vacation. We can accommodate 300, after the completion of two small additions now in progress. These will give room for 50 children, and furnish another exit as recommended by the Board of Public Charities upon inspection. A complete water system has been added and the farm much improved. The industrial department is being well developed.

The present appropriation is \$40,000. The per capita cost including amount expended upon permanent improvements is \$170, per capita of actual consumption for support \$150.

The superintendent asks for special appropriation of \$3,000 for making roadways, draining and improving the grounds.

### Oxford Orphan Asylum

There are now 220 pupils in this institution, an excess of 6 over last year, and the largest average number ever enrolled was 223, during the year. Of these 106 are girls and 113 boys, now present. How well it is doing its work is shown by the provision of 41 during the year in approved homes, and five others with employment on salary, and one received at Normal and Industrial College. At the date of the report, for the year ending November 30th, the total receipts were \$20,947.40, including \$7,500 from the State, the net cost of maintenance and education was \$16,014.51. The per capita cost of maintenance alone was \$50.86; for maintenance and education, cost per capita was \$63.18. Special instruction in

handicrafts, etc., is given to 70 boys and 58 girls.

There have been important improvements, comprising a brick building nearing completion, for industrial operations, a dairy and the introduction of new water supply by well, 256 feet in depth. The superintendent needs more land, but the greatest want is a hospital building, fitted with modern conveniences for infirmary use.

Colored Orphan Asylum at Oxford  
There are 109 pupils, of whom 49 are males and 60 females; 20 were placed in homes. The receipts were \$7,590.98, and expenditures \$8,049.71. Of this amount \$5,000 was the regular appropriation from the State, and \$1,000 a special appropriation from the State; so that the institution is practically supported by the State. The present indebtedness is \$1,361.50. There are 172 acres of land, and the property is estimated at \$9,260.00, but the title is not in the State. The superintendent reports repairs and improvements made to the extent of \$420. He states that they and a chapel and class rooms, fitted and furnished for school purposes, and also buildings for shops.

### Soldiers Home at Raleigh

Hon. B. F. Dixon is secretary, and A. B. Stronach, chairman of the Executive Committee.

There are 79 inmates and 6 absent on furlough. The average attendance has been about 75. The infirm character of the inmates received is indicated by the number treated in the hospital 52, and at their rooms 22. Of these 14 died, or about 20 per cent. This shows the average life of the veteran at the home as only five years. The number enrolled has been limited by the removal of the old dormitories, about to be occupied but not yet in use.

The Daughters of the Confederacy gave generously and promised their aid in the equipment of the new building. The secretary advocates the appropriation of \$25,000 annually for the erection of suitable buildings, and the maintenance of the old soldiers of the State. It is proper to express the great loss sustained by the State and its veterans in the death since the last report of Wm. C. Stronach, who as chairman of the Executive Committee, from the beginning of the institution, rendered so much valuable service, without compensation, except the pleasure of doing good and advancing the public welfare. By the statute of reorganization of the Home in 1901, its reports will be made by the secretary.

### POSTSCRIPTS

Mr. J. W. Foy left for Danville last night.

Mr. D. M. Rue of Yadkinville is in the city.

Dr. D. H. Abbott has returned from Washington.

Mr. W. R. Henry of Charlotte was here yesterday.

Mrs. E. J. Best will spend the holidays at Lexington.

Mr. A. R. Stephens of Charlotte is a Raleigh visitor.

Mr. R. L. Rand left for Richmond yesterday morning.

Miss Octavia Rivers is spending some time in Richmond.

Mr. W. J. Edwards, of Sanford, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. F. B. Arendell and sons have returned from Salisbury.

Miss Elizabeth Crow is in Hillsboro spending several days with relatives.

Maj. C. E. Stanley returned to his home at Goldsboro yesterday morning.

Mr. Charles F. Warren of Washington, N. C. is a guest at the Yarrowburgh.

Mr. Vaughan White of Mebane was a visitor to the State library yesterday.

Capt. J. W. Horton of the Seaboard Air Line, has moved his family to Aberdeen.

Misses Lizzie and Julia Barham of Fuquay Springs were in the city yesterday.

Miss Helen Moring will leave this afternoon to visit Mrs. Upchurch at Lexington.

Misses Julia Grace and Ellen Faison have gone to Halifax to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. M. T. Norris has returned from Atlanta, where she visited her daughter for a few weeks.

Miss Mary Ward of Peace Institute left yesterday for her home in Burgaw to spend the holidays.

Mr. Charles H. Moseley is quite ill at the home of his step, Mr. T. B. Moseley, on Jones street.

Miss Eva Smith of the Baptist Female University has gone to her home in South Carolina to spend Sunday.

Miss Mattie Gill has returned to Wake Forest, after spending a few days the guest of Mrs. J. D. Briggs.

Mr. George McNeill, a promising young lawyer of Carthage, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

Prof. M. C. S. Noble of the chair of pedagogy at the State University spent yesterday afternoon in the city.

Mr. George W. Cooper of the Raleigh Marble Works went to Warrenton yesterday on business for the firm.

Miss Julia Brewer left yesterday for Danville to spend the holidays. She was accompanied by Miss Emma Lee.

Mr. C. A. Benjamin, the locomobile man, went to Durham yesterday afternoon to introduce his machines.

Mr. S. O. Bamberfeld, traveling auditor for the Seaboard Air Line, arrived yesterday on business for the company.

The Misses McGee, on Edenton street, have as their guest Miss Birdie Black of the faculty of Greensboro Female College.

Messrs. William Harris and Walter Simpson arrived from Bingham School yesterday to spend the holidays with their parents.

## Coupon Notice.

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