

THE CONTRACT AWARDED

BOARD OF GRADED SCHOOL TRUSTEES HAVE LET CONTRACT FOR HANDSOME, COMMODIOUS BUILDING.

Contractors Close With Fogleman and Turner and New Structure Will be Completed Before March Next—Will be one of the Best Buildings in State.

The Oxford Board of Graded School Trustees, consisting of Messrs. W. Z. Mitchell, W. B. Ballou, John Webb, Dr. G. S. Watkins, C. W. Bryan, R. H. Lewis, Jr. and J. P. Stedman, after careful consideration, involving the inspection of modern school buildings in N. C. and Va. and profiting by the advice of some of the leading school men of the two States including Superintendent of Public Instruction, J. Y. Joyner, have selected the accompanying design for our new school building from about a dozen competing architects.

It will be built of selected red brick laid in brown mortar, with granite and buff Indiana stone trimmings, reinforced concrete porches, entrances and basement floors, steel frame trusses in main roof.

The roof will be covered with slate. The interior will be finished with No. 1 sap pine in golden tint. The floors will be of No. 1, maple in the hallways, auditorium, class, hat and cloak rooms will be hard wall plaster.

The building has the following apartments: In the basement will be the heating plant and fuel rooms, 32 by 50 feet. The first floor will consist of: six class rooms hat and cloak-rooms, library, superintendents room, principals room, 100 feet of retiring room, and two stairways with three exits from the halls to the exterior, the two stairs lead to the second floor from a hall 15 feet wide over the exits on each side of the building. There will be two sanitary drinking fountains in the main hall on the first floor and lavatories in the ladies retiring room and in the principal's room. Adjoining the rear wall of the building will be the girls and boys toilets, separate and distinct from each other, and will be equipped with modern sanitary fixtures.

On the second floor will be four class rooms, hat and cloak rooms, a large auditorium 48 by 70 feet, with stage and dressing rooms, a double folding door exit 12 feet wide on each side of the auditorium opening into a large hall on each side with a stairway leading to the first floor and also two outside iron stairways connecting with the same hall leading to ground on the outside, providing for a rapid egress in case of an emergency.

The window lighting will be a combination of clear and prism glass making a thoroughly clear, soft, light without glare, to protect the pupils' eyes.

The architects have carefully guaranteed comfort and health of pupils in the heating and ventilating plant, which will be a Semidirect system, giving each pupil 50 cubic feet of fresh, pure and wholesome air, every minute in each class at the temperature of 70 degrees at breathing level, and remove the vitiated air

through a vent stack from each class room through the roof of the building.

The drawings and specifications for this building was furnished by Linticum and Rose, Architects, Durham N. C. Mr. Linticum, the senior member of the firm has many years experience in planning school buildings in N. C. and Va. and his works is published in the American School Board Journal in New York City and Milwaukee Wisconsin.

The building contract was closed last week with the lowest bidder Messrs. Fogleman and Turner local contractors Oxford N. C. The building must be completed on or before March 1st 1911. The contract for the plumbing, heating and ventilating has not been closed.

The old school house is being moved to the rear of the lot so it can be utilized for school purposes until the new building is completed.

Oxford will have one of the best buildings for school purposes in the State, and one which will reflect credit on the town and county.

A CAMPING PARTY AT CANNADY'S MILL.

Miss Mary Cooper Gives a Camping Party to her Friends—All Have a Good Time Swimming, Boating, Fishing and doing All Sorts of Things.

Miss Mary Cooper is giving to her guests Misses Agnes Revenal, Margaret Simms, Margaret Manning, and Silvia Revenal, a camping trip at Cannady's Mill. The whole party rode out to Cannady's Mill in a wagon and were none the worse off for riding in it. All went out Monday except Miss Revenal who was delayed in coming.

Everybody is leading a typical camp life, sleeping in camps and dining alfresco. In spite of the cold weather the young ladies slept in their tents until four o'clock in the morning, but finally they came in the log cabin and built a fire. The camping trip is considered the social event of the season.

A number of young men are on the trip who are Messrs Roger Grant, Nick Cannady, Gus Graabam, J. F. Thompson, Mott Pinnix and there are others who meet at the camp daily.

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming in Hertford.

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming left Friday for Hertford, where she and Prof. Curtiss, of Burlington, are conducting the Perquimans County Teacher's Institute this week and next. Prof. Curtiss and Mrs. Fleming are selected to conduct the Institute for this county the latter half of August. The State Department of Education requested Mrs. Fleming to assist at the Randolph County Institute, but other engagements compelled her to decline.

Lexington.—This evening the section master found the mutilated body of a white man one mile south of Lexington, supposed to have been killed by fast train number 38 last night while beating his way. The coroner's jury found that his name was W. K. George of Charlotte.

Your pack house, barn or dwelling may need covering. C. D. Ray has the right kinds of shingles and roofing.

PROMINENT CITIZEN DEAD

MR. JOHN HENRY BULLOCK PASSED AWAY IN BALTIMORE HOSPITAL JULY SIXTEENTH.

Had been ill Since First of April—When Health Steadily Declined—Funeral Sunday—One of Most Influential Business Men—Will Be Greatly Missed.

The people of Oxford were greatly distressed Saturday morning, though prepared somewhat for the ill news, to hear of the death in Baltimore of one of their most prominent citizens, Mr. J. H. Bullock. The sad affair took place at half past two o'clock that morning in Johns Hopkins Hospital, where Mr. Bullock had been for several weeks and four days in the hospital for Bright's Disease.

The illness of Mr. Bullock began to be very apparent about the first of April when he began to lose flesh. Nearly six weeks ago he was carried to the hospital but he made no improvements in the first two weeks, though he seemed better in the third. The fourth and fifth weeks made apparent the gravity of his condition for he gradually became weaker from day to day. Mrs. Bullock was with him at his bedside during all the time his illness and when it was seen that death was inevitable their oldest son was wired for.

They left Baltimore Saturday morning at six o'clock with the remains, arriving in Henderson at 2 A. M. Sunday morning. Numbers of friends drove through the country to meet them, and the body was brought to Oxford, arriving here at 5 o'clock.

The funeral services were held in the presence of many people at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the Methodist Church. These were conducted by the local pastor, the Rev. F. M. Shamberger, assisted by the Rev. L. S. Massey, recently transferred from the pastorate home to the editorial chair of the Christian Advocate, at Raleigh, and the Rev. Dr. A. B. Dunaway, pastor of the Baptist Church. The burial was made by the order of Odd Fellows, of which organization the deceased had been a member. The floral designs were many and very handsome. The funeral was attended by a number of out of town relatives and friends. The active pall bearers were, Messrs A. A. Hicks, C. A. Carroll, B. S. Royster, J. S. King, W. Landis, C. W. Bryan, and J. B. Powell. These were the floral bearers, Messrs W. Z. Mitchell, W. B. Ballou, C. H. Chestnam, B. W. Harris, Frank L. Lyon, of the board of Stewards, and Dr. T. L. Booth and Messrs Z. W. Lyon, L. B. Turner, and Dr. E. T. White.

John Henry Bullock a native of Granville County, was born July 22nd 1855 about 15 miles from Oxford, the son of the late John Henry Bullock and E. Ellen Bullock, (nee Farlow). He was married to Miss Sallie Bragg, who with their children survives him, at Stem Methodist Church December 24th 1890. The children born to them were J. H. Bullock Jr, aged 18, Estell Bullock, aged 16, two others now dead, Alice and Lucile Bullock, and the youngest Rebecca Bullock, aged 4 years. In addition to these bereaved ones, a brother and sister also survive; Mrs.

J. A. Green of Stem, and Mr. C. P. Bullock, of Raleigh.

Mr. Bullock has been a resident of Oxford for 28 years, in all but four of which he was engaged in the tobacco warehouse business with Mr. W. Z. Mitchell, under the well known firm name of Bullock and Mitchell. Prior to engagement in the warehouse he formed. At his death he held many responsible positions. Among these he held a directors seat in the National Bank of Granville, was president of the Stem Mercantile Company, of Stem, and for a number of years to the time of his death was a member of the board of town Commissioners, and in the past had served as a school trustee. He was a member of the Independent order of Odd Fellows and was a steward of the Methodist Church, which he joined at Bullocks, when about fourteen years of age.

In the death of Mr. Bullock Oxford has suffered an irreparable loss. He was active and sympathetic in everything of a general or community interest. A gentlemanly and prompt contributor to every demand of the church.

In his business life he was known as a man of sterling integrity, and though of a conservative nature, was liberal in responding to all proper demands upon his purse. Though uncompromising in combatting what he believed should be fought, he was always fast and conscientious and his life has been that of a dear, honorable, efficient citizen. In his family life, he was just what should be expected of a wise and loving husband or brother. All of his activities were directed in a quiet, unassuming manner, but his loss will be felt for many days to come. The expression made by scores of friends on the streets immediately upon the receipt of intelligence of his death Saturday morning was strong testimony of the esteem and value in which he was held by all classes of people.

Cozart-Fleming.

Mrs. William Willey Cozart invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter, Mabel to Mr. William Henry Fleming at half after three o'clock Wednesday afternoon, July the twenty-seventh nineteen hundred and ten at their home near Crede more North Carolina.

Booth-Matheson.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Lynch Booth request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Jean to Mr. Junius Ayers Matheson on the evening of Wednesday, the twenty seventh of July at eight o'clock at Saint Stephen's Church Oxford, North Carolina.

Services will be held at the regular hour 7:45 P. M. 11:00 A. M. and 6 P. M. July 24th, at St. Stephen's Church.

DEATH FOLLOWS ACCIDENT TRAGIC SHOOTING AFFAIR

MR. E. M. SHERMAN OF BEREA SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES RECEIVED IN RUNAWAY.

Wife Badly Injured Also but Will Recover—Horse ran Away and Buggy was Capsized—Injured Man Lived But Few Minutes after Inquiring about Wives Injuries—Was well Known Citizen.

While returning to their home from a shopping trip to Oxford, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sherman of Berea sustained injuries from a runaway last Wednesday that resulted in the death of the husband, though it is hoped that Mrs. Sherman will recover.

When about six miles out from Oxford the horse took fright and ran. Mrs. Sherman was badly frightened and was not conscious of what happened thereafter. The buggy was capsized, both occupants were badly wounded. Mr. Sherman lived but a few minutes after he was found lying upon his face. He feebly inquired about his wife and died. At first Mrs. Sherman were thought killed, though her injuries were found to be of less serious nature than feared. In addition to numerous flesh bruises one arm was broken and she will be confined to her bed for some days. After the unfortunate husband had been thrown from the buggy, receiving his death injuries the wife was dragged nearly a hundred yards when the buggy was capsized and she caught under it like a rat in a trap. Strange to say the buggy was but feebly mangled.

Mr. Sherman was found lying in front of the home of Mr. John Phipps. The terrific combat with the ground damaged him almost beyond recognition. His skull was badly broken, his face badly lacerated, his nose broken, and his white body badly mangled.

The remains were carried to the home of Mr. Phipps and buried on following morning.

The deceased was a well known citizen of Granville County and was about in his sixtieth year. He was twice married having wed the present Mrs. Sherman about five or six years ago. By first marriage he leaves seven children; Charles B. and I. G. Sherman of Durham; T. A. and Fred Sherman of the county; and Mrs. Leslie Adeock and Mrs. Felix Newton, also of Granville. In addition to these and other sorrowing kin, he leaves an aged father said to be about ninety.

Mr. Sherman was a member of the Baptist Church and was one of Granville's solid, substantial citizens. His untimely end is greatly deplored.

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Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the people of Oxford for their kindness and sympathy in my recent bereavement and extend to them my hearty appreciation. Jno. Wade Brown. 1pd

Standard Books and Novels "at Cost" at—Hamilton Drug Co., July 22nd.

Wanted: to sell 12 Coco Cola barrels, good for Syrup or Cider.

MRS. J. S. BROWN MORTALLY SHOT WITH PISTOL IN HANDS OF STEPSON, WHO SUICIDES.

Desperate Deed, The Result of The Victims Refusal To Give Money from Estate of The Late J. S. Brown.—The Wounded Woman in Serious Condition.

The whole of Oxford is thrown into great excitement by the desperate deed of young Otis Brown, son of the late J. S. Brown, who fired two shots from a 32 calibre pistol at his step-mother, Mrs. J. S. Brown, and then turned the weapon upon himself and sent his soul into eternity.

The first shot directed at Mrs. Brown barely touched her, the bullet seeming to have gone between the chest wall and arm. The second bitter-aimed bullet plowed into left arm a few inches between the shoulder barely coming in through the arm pit, and entered the chestwall under the arm. Thence it passed through the upper part of the lung above the heart just in front of the large blood vessel, and was extracted at the upper part of the breast bone. The third shot which he took his own life struck the young man an inch and a quarter above the ear, the shock of the impact producing instantaneous insensibility, though he lived an hour or more. Immediately upon being shot at the first time Mrs. Brown ran out from home where the shooting occurred, over to the home of Mrs. May Cannady's where she lies in an exceedingly critical condition. The report drew a great crowd of people and almost as soon as Mrs. Brown fell exhausted upon the porch of Mrs. Cannady's with blood gushing into a pool. Three men ran in, gathered her up and deposited her upon a couch after which neighbors arrived, her life according to one of her physicians being saved by the presence of mind of a quick-witted young lady who put her hand in the wound at the arm and stopped the flow of blood until medical help could arrive.

How The Tragedy Happened. The facts of the terrible happening are rather hard to secure, so much as there is a general unwillingness to talk pointedly and people are still dazed over the affair. It seems that the young man went from the home of his sister, Mrs. J. B. Floyd, on College street about 3:30 o'clock to the residence of Mrs. Brown's when he made a repetition of the demand for \$1,000 or \$2,000 whichever amount it was and upon the refusal, seized his step-mother who one hand at the same time firing at her in the manner stated above. On the morning of the same day he had visited her before, and with profane language and threats against her life made the same demand.

Deeds Apparently Premeditated.

It seems that the deed has been premeditated for some time. Young Brown has been in the habit of sending threatening letters for some months and is reported to have told the cook of his brother, Mr. John Brown, that he intended to take a long journey before five o'clock and carry some one with him. He is also credited with making a somewhat similar remark down town about noon.

Letter Found After Inquest.

After the coroner's inquest the body of the dead man was removed to the home of his brother. That night while four or five gentlemen were sitting up with the body, they examined the several articles that had been removed from his pockets, these being some keys, an empty purse two letters from Mrs. Brown, and a tightly sealed letter directed to Otis' Sister, Mrs. Floyd. This latter letter when opened in the morning was found to have been written in Richmond where the dead man had been living for some time, under date of last Friday. In the letter to Mrs. Floyd in which he referred to Mrs. Brown as the "Madame" or the "old woman," respectively Otis said he would make one more trial. In the event of his being successful, he wrote that she, Mrs. Floyd would never hear of the letter, otherwise he would "send it all." After sending his love to the children, and asking that his board bill and a debt of \$8.00 for money borrowed from a friend be paid, wound up by saying that his life was a failure. As to the contents of the letters from Mrs. Brown beyond the fact that she began some of them "my dear Otis," and made an observation to the effect that she could not see why a young man nearly 22 years of age could not support himself, nothing has been learned.

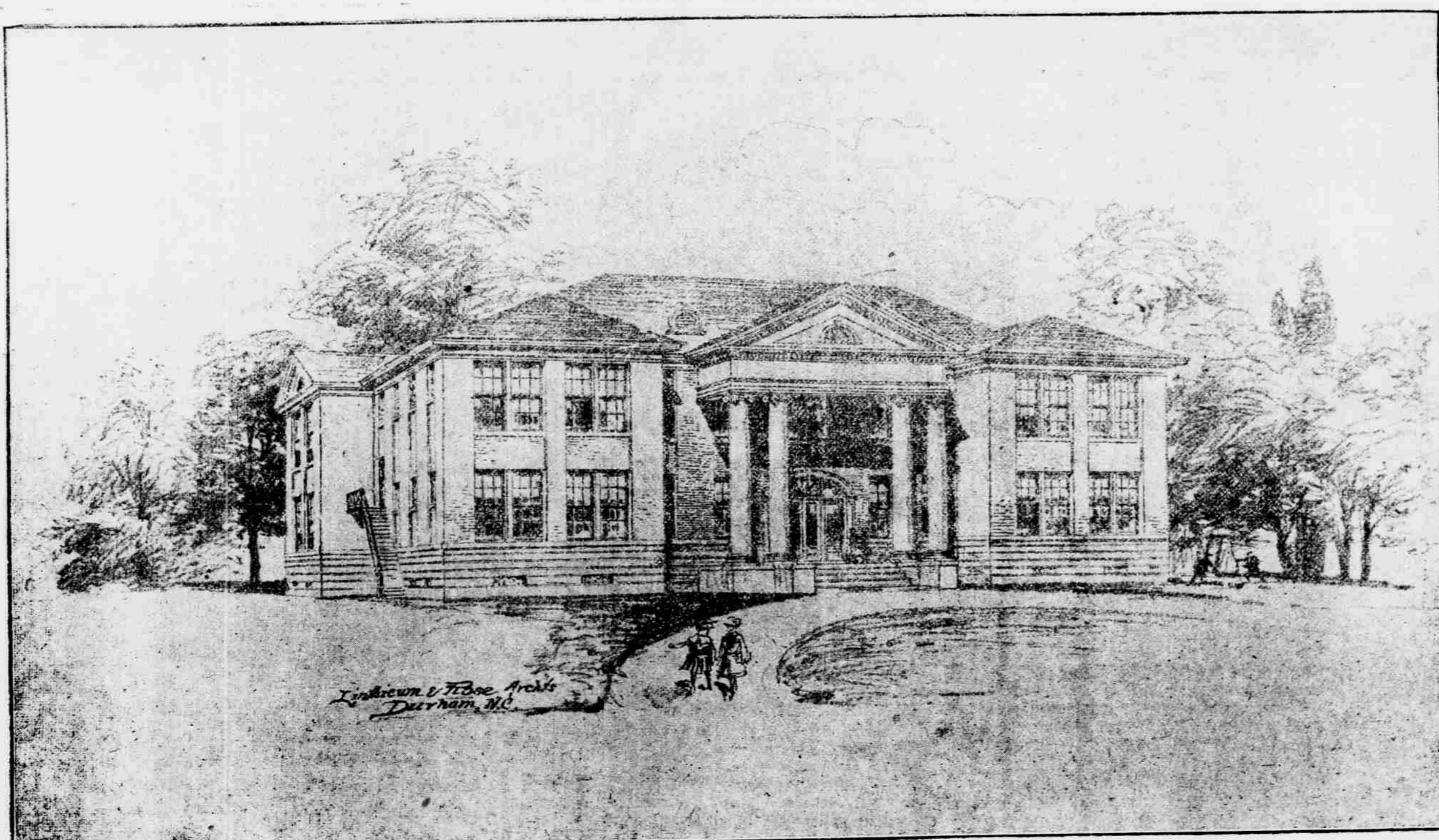
Young man Led Dissipated Life.

The young man has led, it is said, a very dissipated life. He went to Richmond some time ago ostensibly to enter Massey's Business College. Mrs. Brown having paid his scholarship and sent him \$25.00 each month for expenses. It is reported however, that he did not enter school, but has been leading a wild life, drinking, gambling, and indulging in the pastime of a sport and habitue of the under world. Last August the 21st, which was his 21st, birthday, he was given \$1,000 in cash, and was told at the time, so it is stated, "that he might take that and what he did with it would be carefully observed, and what he received in the future would depend upon the manner of using it."

In less than three months he spent the sum, and has been demanding money repeatedly since then. The

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The Oxford Graded School Building.



The Old Ark is Doomed. Here is What will Rise in its Place.