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KENLY ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT.

Special Correspondence.

KENLY, N. C., June 17, 1901.

An institution of four years existence, with a faculty of eight and a patronage of 160, representing 13 counties, 2 states, and 7 denominations—such is the condition and history of Kenly Academy. Inspiring sermon, excellent recitations, elevating songs, grand music, soul-stirring orations and essays, instructive address, three up-to-date baseball games, an attendance of 2,000 attentive, interested, sympathetic friends—such made up the fourth annual commencement exercises of Kenly Academy. Increased patronage, larger influence, better work, greater responsibilities, ever-widening sphere of usefulness—such will be the brilliant, effulgent, God-ordained future of Kenly Academy.

The closing exercises for 1900-1901 began Sunday, June 9, at 11 a. m., with a powerful, persuasive, edifying sermon by Rev. A. P. Tyer, Wilson, N. C. Mr. Tyer's text was: "What doth it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

The subject of profit and loss—cold, heartless, business theme that it is—starts in the common school arithmetic and continues to the separation of the soul and body. Men always ask the question: Will it pay? and it is right that they should. How long would it take you to estimate the value of the earth! If all the men, women and children of the earth were to begin now with pen and paper and figure 12 hours each day until the day of their death, they would not be able to tell you one-fifth of its value. Five generations of mankind, using all the devices of Mathematics, could not approximate the value of this common mother of us all. And yet Christ asks if you would give your soul for this.

What is the soul? It is not the breath; it is not a part of God; it is a distinct creation of God, a divine impartation, as evidenced by the use of the copulative conjunction in the account of the creation, given in Genesis. Philosophers differ as to its powers; but, for all common purposes, we may say they are six-fold: feeling, judgment, memory, affection, will, and conscience. In any act, in any thought, these six sisters are brought into use. Memory is man's chiefest pride. Remove it and man would not know his name, could not recognize his wife or mother, would be unable to remember his home, friends or children. Would a man give this one of the six for a world? Woman's chiefest glory is her affection, her power to love. Remove this and woman could not love home, friends, parents, husband, children, or God. Would woman give this one of the six for a world?

His closing words were an appeal to choose for eternity. It was a masterly discourse and must be heard to be rightly appreciated.

MONDAY, June 10.

Monday evening at 3:30, the Lacama baseball aggregation came up to administer defeat to our boys; but they became patients instead of doctors and were administered unto by the K. A. ball-busters. The score was 14 to 16 in favor of our nine.

Monday night at 8:30, the little folk had their exercises. They acquitted themselves to the satisfaction of all. "The Princess Aline," a play of two acts and nine characters, was executed after the exercises by the smaller students.

TUESDAY, June 11.

Tuesday evening at 3:30, the Selma baseball club, proud of its record, hopped upon our ground; but its hopping took the rheumatism in a brilliant game. The score was 6 to 8 in favor of our "Invincibles."

Tuesday night at 8:30, the glory of the year's work was exhibited in the high-toned orations and inspiring essays of the society representatives. The programme for the occasion was:

Prayer—By Rev. J. W. Nobles, Kenly, N. C.

Song—"Upon the Mountain Top, Tip Top." By the Academy Octette.

Oration—"Our First and Ablest Jurist." By Mr. Luther Wyatt Richardson, Abells, N. C.

Essay—"Silent Influences." By Miss Emma May Matthews, Bagley, N. C.

Song—"Patsy Brannigan." By the Academy Octette.

Oration—"Foundation Stones of Achievement." By Mr. Raeford Thomas Fulghum, Taylor, N. C.

Essay—"The Zionist Movement." By Miss Lily Helen Pierce, Kenly, N. C.

Solo—"Love's Sweet Dream." By Miss Pierce, Kenly, N. C.

Oration—"Forcing the City Gates." By Mr. John Mack Walker, Union Ridge, N. C.

Essay—"Extremes Meet." By Miss Lucy Daisy Talton, Pikeville, N. C.

Song—"Farewell, Farewell Forever." By the Academy Octette. Mr. R. T. Fulghum won the orator's medal and Miss Lucy D. Talton won the essayist's medal.

These medals were very appropriately presented by Prof. W. C. McCloud, of Berkley, Va., and Hon. Clarence Richardson, of Selma, N. C.

WEDNESDAY, June 12.

Wednesday morning at 10:30, Prof. J. B. Carlyle, Professor of Latin Language and Literature in Wake Forest College, delivered the Literary Address. Under the seductive spell of his matchless oratory and persuasive diction, the large audience sat mute and motionless for an hour. No words of ours can successfully portray the sentiments of this masterly effort. Sparkling with laughing humor, glistening with charming eloquence, sublime in tenderest feeling, glowing with inviting word-pictures, animated in beautiful style, enticing in purity of conception—Prof. Carlyle's address won the heart and elicited the praise and admiration of all who heard him. His theme, his Constantinople as he called it, was, "Education and the Twentieth Century Life." He maintained that the present century life would be a life strenuous in endeavor, hopeful in sentiment, expansive in purpose—the laggard, the drone, the lazy man will have no place in this new life; the pessimist, the grumbler, the growler will be out of tune with his surroundings in the Twentieth Century optimism; the contracted, narrow, ultra-conservative man will be a negation of the humanity-wide endeavors of this brighter day.

His thought then turned to learning, which he held kept pace with the onward sweep of civilization. Learning must do four things or lose its right to universal worship: first, it must exalt man above mammon; secondly, it must lay firm, deep foundations of faith; thirdly, it must inspire higher civic and social ideals; fourthly, it must lighten the burdens of toil. In our mad scramble after gold, we seem to forget that there is a man behind it all. Indeed, it is becoming customary to estimate a man's character in dollars and cents. The dollar mark, magnet-like in its charm, is a deadly vampire when it is exalted above man.

His apostrophe to the perverted use of the dollar was sublime. "When I say that learning must lay foundations for faith, I do not mean to say that the iron-will of man must bend the subservient knee to all dogma and creed, but I do mean that it must give man strength to resist the chasms and seductions of every petty whim or peculiarism." The science of government is divided into civic and social spheres. Whether it be the trust problem of the North, the labor problem of the middle West, the immigration problem of the far West, or the race problem of the South, the true solution can only be arrived at through the inspiring of the great body of the people with high civic and lofty social ideals. This is the holy mission of learning. But this is not all. Education, learning, must lighten the

burdens of the nation's toilers. We have heard a great deal about the man behind the gun; but far greater than he is the man behind the counter, the throttle, the hoe, the hammer, or the plow. Concluding, he pictured the rising tide of learning and progress in the Old North State and advised the students to emulate and idealize, not the life purpose of Robert Ingersoll, not the gluttonous ambition of Jay Gould, but the divine longings of Phillips Brooks, whose influence will bloom and blossom in eternity.

Before the address, Mr. Larry Bryant Boyette, of Bagley, N. C., delivered the salutatory oration, and after the address Miss Bessie Martin, of Faison, N. C., read the valedictory essay. The music medal, won by Miss Lily Pair, of Abells, N. C., was very charmingly presented by Prof. Joseph Kinsey, of Wilson, N. C., and the scholarship medal, won by Mr. J. M. Walker, of Union Ridge, N. C., was presented by our popular citizen, Mr. W. A. Edgerton, in his usual witty and unique manner.

Wednesday evening at 3:30, the Black Creek baseball nine suffered disaster and defeat at the hands of our boys. The game was interesting from the beginning. The score was 6 to 8 in Kenly's favor.

Wednesday night at 8:30, with 2,000 people in the house and yard, the musicale came off. It was a complete success, considering the difficulties attending its execution.

The record of our baseball team is most singular. Out of 13 games our boys won 12. We feel justly proud of our team. Some claim that athletics and baseball games in particular tend to take the student's mind from his books. This assumption is clearly disproved by the record of our boys. Not one of them averaged less than 85 and the pitcher, Mr. J. M. Walker, took the scholarship medal with an average of 96½.

Among the distinguished visitors present at our commencement were Rev. A. P. Tyer, Wilson, N. C.; Prof. J. B. Carlyle, Wake Forest, N. C.; Mr. J. M. Beaty, of the Herald, Smithfield, N. C.; Prof. Joseph Kinsey, Wilson, N. C.; Dr. H. F. Freeman and Messrs. J. H. Fulghum and Jno. High, Taylor, N. C.; Dr. "Fox" Person, Fremont, N. C.; Rev. Mr. Suttle, Smithfield, N. C.; Hon. Clarence Richardson, Selma, N. C.; Prof. W. C. McCloud, Berkley, Va.; Mr. Millard Nowell, Selma, N. C.; Rev. Barney Perkins, Pikeville, N. C.; C. W. Knight, Barnes Store, N. C.; etc.; etc.

Thus ended the most successful year of our school. Kenly Academy is more than four walls. It is a dynamo of intellectual enthusiasm that sends the thrill and glow of its great work into every home in these surrounding counties. It is a sacred shrine where hundreds of ambitious young men and promising young ladies and hopeful children come to gain help, hope and inspiration. It has just begun its noble career. It is destined to live and thrive and to elevate itself and those coming under the magnetism of its power.

Hobson Stands by Selley.

Baltimore, June 18.—Captain Richmond P. Hobson, U. S. N., delivered an address here to-night at the commencement exercises of the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute. In the course of his address Captain Hobson emphasized the equal importance of strategy and preparation with valor, citing as an illustration Admiral Dewey's battle in Manila bay at a distance of 2,000 yards from the Spanish fleet.

"A British admiral," said the speaker, "probably would have gone in like Nelson, or as the British are fighting in South Africa, getting close to the enemy and losing nearly the same number of men even when victorious."

Referring to those who criticised Admiral Selley's "loop" and parallel course at Santiago, Captain Hobson said:

"I have no patience with them."

STATE NEWS.

Short Items of Interest Cullied From our State Exchanges.

John Rochie, an 18-year-old negro, was killed at Charlotte Friday by the shifting engine of the Southern Railway.

The President has appointed Oliver H. Dockery, Jr., a First Lieutenant in the Infantry Department of the regular army.

Mr. Benbow Hedrick, aged 18, was drowned near Lexington Tuesday. He and two or three other boys were bathing in Abbott's creek.

John W. Crowder, a man of about 60 years of age, hanged himself near his home at Polkville, Friday. He has for several years been eccentric, and was five years ago confined in the Morganton asylum for the insane.

The Teachers' Assembly in session at Wrightsville, Friday elected the following officers: Dr. Edwin Mims, of Trinity College, president; Dr. F. P. Venable, president of the University of North Carolina, first vice president; Prof. W. D. Carmichael, superintendent Durham graded schools, secretary and treasurer.

The Pitts and Monroe lumber company at Greensboro had a \$4000 fire Wednesday morning.

Edward P. Moses, Raleigh; B. F. Sledd, Wake Forest; J. Y. Joyner, P. P. Claxton and G. A. Grimsley, Greensboro; J. L. Foust, Goldsboro; J. L. Kestler, Raleigh; C. W. Massey, Durham, and M. C. S. Noble, Chapel Hill, are appointed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to aid him in recommending the lists from which the local purchasing agents can choose the books for the rural free school libraries. The teachers above named are to meet in Raleigh to-morrow with the State Superintendent and the executive committee of the State Literary and Historical Association. The lists will then be made up.

A New Party Movement.

A crowd of dissatisfied and disappointed politicians met in Kansas City, Mo., day before yesterday and planned a new political party. The meeting was composed of Populists of all kinds, Free Silver Republicans, Socialists, Single Taxers and various other party creds. The following platform of the new party's principles was adopted: Public ownership of all public utilities, as railroads, telegraphs, etc.

While awaiting the legislation necessary to secure public ownership rigid control of freight and passenger rates and severe penalties for rebates and other discriminations by railroads.

Taxation of railroads and other public utility corporations in the same proportion as the value of farm and other property.

Direct legislation by the initiative and referendum to the end that the people may initiate good legislation and veto bad legislation.

Graduated income tax to the end that wealth which receives Government protection shall pay its just share of the cost of the Government.

That whatever is used as money shall be full legal tender issued by the General Government in sufficient volume for business purposes and that volume fixed in proportion to population.

Just election laws throughout the State.

Home rule for cities and abolition of the present system of using the police as a standing army to carry primary elections in the interest of dishonest politicians representing still more dishonest special privilege corporations.

Election of United States Senators by popular vote.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold

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WEEKLY CROP REPORT.

The weekly crop bulletin, issued by the Weather Bureau for the North Carolina section, climate and crop service for the week ending Monday, June 17, says:

"Farmers received some encouragement by the continuance of warm, dry, sunny weather during the early part of the week just passed, during which the cultivation of crops proceeded rapidly, and some evidences of more rapid growth were visible. Rains began on the 13th which were quite beneficial at first, especially on uplands, but the large amounts on the 14th, and the generally cloudy, damp weather during the last portion of the week were very unfavorable. Farm work was completely interrupted, and cannot be resumed for some time, as the ground has become very wet. A good deal of grass was killed the first of the week, but complaints of grassy fields are still very numerous, and the unnecessary rains will make matters worse.

"Wheat harvest was underway generally in the south portion of the State early in the week, but has ceased for the present. Much wheat is ready to cut; some has been beaten down by rain, and the prospect seems hardly as good as was previously expected. In well-cultivated fields cotton and corn have made some growth, and while very small at least show good color; but generally the condition of both crops continues poor. Cotton has not all been chopped, and many fields are being abandoned or plowed up for corn or field peas. All the tobacco has now been transplanted, and this crop seems to be doing fairly well, though worms are giving much trouble. The yield of Irish potatoes is quite large. Gardens are much improved. Peaches and cherries will be full crops; apples very short and inferior. Minor crops, rice, peanuts, and especially melons, are doing well.

CLAYTON NEWS.

Mr. E. L. Hinton spent Thursday in Smithfield.

Mr. H. L. Barnes will soon build a large brick store on Main street.

Mrs. Dr. Banks and Miss Rand, of Garner, are visiting Mrs. D. W. Barbour.

Messrs. L. D. Debnam and D. O. McCullers went to Auburn Wednesday evening.

Miss Pattie Richardson, of Wendell, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Joe Hinnant.

The population of our town is slowly but surely increasing. Ask Mr. Hamilton about it.

Mr. L. D. Debnam, Secretary and Treasurer of Clayton Cotton Mill, went to Raleigh Tuesday in the interest of the mill.

Mr. J. Arch Vinson is having his office fitted with new desks and chairs, another sign of prosperity—or something else.

Misses Cleve Barnes and Verta Jarvis spent several days with Mrs. A. J. Barbour this week, returning to Miss Barnes' home Wednesday.

The farmers of this section are taking advantage of the fine weather. The outlook now is rather discouraging, but with good seasons from now we may have a fairly good crop.

The cotton mill building is now completed. Under the supervision of Mr. Geo. W. Ellis, this has grown to be a magnificent edifice and the workmanship is such as to command the admiration of the most practical and critical observer. The machinery has been selected with the utmost discretion by the President, Mr. Ashley Horne, the minutest details having had his careful attention. There is no better equipped mill in the State. With such a man at its head, prosperity is surely in reach.

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Example is the school of mankind; they will learn at no other.—Burke.

Works Way Through College.

Lebanon, Ill., June 16.—A remarkable record, illustrating what may be accomplished by pluck and perseverance, is that of W. Duff Piercy, valedictorian at McKendree College this year. After five years' study he is graduated in the classical course, having paid all the expenses of his own education and that of his wife also, who is a member of the class of 1902, by acting as newspaper correspondent for metropolitan papers and teaching school.

Piercy is a type of the American who is determined to succeed no matter what the difficulties may be. When he married he was a struggling young district school teacher. He determined to improve his education and fit himself for higher work. After much serious consideration McKendree was selected as the place where he and his wife should endeavor to obtain a higher education. Piercy wrote letters to several Chicago, St. Louis, and New York newspapers, laid before them his plan, promised to give faithful services if employed, and filed application for the position of a correspondent.

During the years he and his wife have studied at McKendree his newspaper work has netted him a tidy sum. In vacations he has taught country schools. Now his education is completed, he is a graduate, with honors, and he has been elected over eighty-three competitors to superintend the Greenville, Ill., schools for the next year.

Mr. Piercy won the McCullagh reportorial prize of \$50 in 1897, the Bryan gold medal essay contest in 1898, the Perry cash oratorical first prize in 1899, and was ruled out of the Brown oratorical contest this year. He won the inter-society oratorical contest at Ewing College in 1892. He was admitted to the bar in 1895, standing at the head of a class of twenty-eight. He has been college chorister through the course at McKendree and has done tutor work at the college while getting his education. He occupied the chair of history and literature at the Mount Vernon High School for one year.

Losses of Filipinos

Washington, June 14.—The War Department makes public today statistics showing losses by Filipinos in the war.

The compilation of reports covers the period up to April 17, 1901, the total number of Filipinos captured or surrendered was 21,497, together with 5,848 rifles, 56 field pieces, over 3,000 shells, 573,860 rounds of ammunition and 19 tons of powder. From January 1 to April 17 the number of captures includes 247 officers, 2,459 men; the number surrendered was 820 officers and 6,492 men, making a total of 1,067 officers and 8,951 men, or a grand total up to that date of 31,415 Filipinos captured. To this is to be added 1,998 rifles captured and 4,300 surrendered, a total of 6,298; 45,000 rounds of ammunition, 408 bolos and 246 pieces of cannon.

The list shows surrenders and captures on nearly every day from January 2 to the close of the report. The surrender of Lieutenant-General Trias in Southern Luzon was of more importance than almost any other except Aguinaldo. General Trias has since been made Governor of Cavite province.

Raleigh, N. C., June 19.—The opinion by the attorney general that judges and heads of state departments cannot be taxed upon their income for salary is accepted as good law, but it is understood that all the state officers will give in their salary income for taxation. Treasurer Lacy said that the attorney general's views as to the salaries of state officers was not held by the state officers, and that their purpose was to list their salaries.

A nice line of visiting cards at THE HERALD office.