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SPECIAL RALEIGH CORRE-SPONDENCE

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 20, 1902. One of the most important gath-erings that has been held in the for many years was the educational conference, which closed its

This gathering was made up of the County Superintendents from 84 of 97 counties, together with a number of City Superintendents and other leading educators from every section of the State.

The meeting was called some weeks ago by State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. Y. Joyner and a most interesting programme tobar states of a meeting designed for rallying purposes, but it was called for the purpose of bringing together tude to the more than two thousand the public school men of the State in siness meeting with a view of considering and discussing the practical and economic question involved in the new educational movement in North Carolina, and every feature of the programme had in it the one and all important idea of obtaining the best and most far-reaching results from the educational resources that are or may be available. How to

educate the greatest number of the children with the fewest number of the peoples' dollars, is an all-prevailing question, and this was the paramount idea that pre-wild at the series of the general Education Board in aiding vailed at the conference here last week, and to that end those in attendance considered, and with dents ever held in North Carolina, earnestness and frankness discussed, and to assure this Board of our the practical business side of the educational problem.

The meeting revealed one most gratifying and important fact, and ing of our public schools. that was, that, as a rule, the County Superintendents and other school officials throughout the State are waking up to the importane of persistent, systematic and aggressive work. Of course, there are a few drones yet in the public school bee hive, but they are growing fewer as the months go by. Perhaps these instances arrive from the fact that the salaries of some superintentendents are not sufficient to enable them to pay sufficient' attention to school work. If this be so, an increase of salary sufficient to justify of the State, but it should not, it

the Superintendent in giving to school work his undivided attention is one of the needs of the hour. Several representatives of the General Educational Board, includ-

ing the General Secretary, Dr. Wal-lace Butterick, of New York, were in attendance upon every session of the attendance upon every session of the conference and poined most earnestly public school officials. In union into the discussion of the questions

cause of public education through-out the South, being at all times their respective counties, and in a ready and willing to help those who show a disposition to help them-in the local situations will be marselves, and those representatives of the Board who attended last week's velous. conference have expressed themas highly gratified at the

stimulus which has been given to R. R. offers to the colonists half far the cause of education in North plus \$2 to points in Arkansas, Mis Among the questions discuss

triots, and best means of securing 16th, January 6th and 21th, Febru consolidation; locations and plans of ary 3rd and 17th, March 37d and 17 of raising money for better school vertising matter, rates and informa houses, benefits of local taxation, tion to and ways and means of securing it, township teachers' meetings, teach-ers' institutes, rural libraries, etc.

After very general discussion the following resolutions were adopted: "Resolved, first, That we recog-nize the following as among the greatest needs of public schools of North Carolina, and favor the enact

necessary to supply them:

enlargement and improvement of school grounds. '3. Supplementing by local tax-ation the school in rural districts adequate in houses, teachers and length of term for the education of the children of these districts. "4. A reasonable provision for the improvement of public school teachers at small expense by length-ening of term of the County institute and making its work more efficient. "5. The necessity of an increase in the salaries of good teachers in order to hold such in the profession and encourage others to come inte

"1. Reasonable consolidation of small districts into larger ones. "2. The erection of adequate and comfortable school houses, and the

enlargement and improvement.

"6. An increase in the compenof every county in which such ncrease is necessary to justify him in devoting all of his time, thought and energy to the educational work

importance are required to do. "7. Strengthening and making more efficient the State Superinten dent, in his efforts to meet the demands of the growing sentiment in favor of public education in the public schools, by the appointment. by proper authority, of Deputy State Superintendents, so that the

State Superintendent. with the aid of his deputies, may be able to reach and help every part of the State in ession in Raleigh on Friday evening this the most important work for the betterment of conditions among all our people.

"Second. That we fayor an appropriation by the State for an increase in the number of rural libraries, and for the maintenance and extension of those already estab lished.

best pape, of its class published in "Third That we desire to record an expression of our appreciation of America. Our arrangements are had been arranged. The questions selected for discussion embodied the most important phases of the educa-tional situation in North Carolina. It was not a meeting designed for rallying purposes, but it was called for the purpose of bringing together the noble work, and for our grati-this note work inaugurated by the school houses in Lawaron a meeting designed for the purpose of bringing together the noble work, and for our grati-this noble work, and for our grati-the noble work the school houses in the noble work inaugurated by the school houses in the school houses in the noble work inaugurated by the school houses in the school house in the noble work in the school house in the noble work in the school house in the noble work in the school house in the nore than two thousen in the the school house in the nore than two thousen in the make it house the public spirited and patriotic women already subscribers. who have volunteered to make more attractive and comfortable the school homes of the children. "Fourth. That we recognize the

value of the educational campaign carried on by the aid of the Southern Education Board, and desire to express our appreciation of their aid and the earnest hope that this camsent to this office.

paign may be continued and extend-"Fifth. That we desire to express us to have the most largely attended conference of County Superinterdents ever held in North Carolina,

appreciation of the spirit and motive prompting them in the work co-operating with us in the upbuild-

"Sixth. That we should deplor any backward step in education, and, therefore, favor most heartily the continuance of the present cial appropriation for the public schools out of the State Treasury." The addresses of the different speakers were most interesting and instructive, and the good results that will grow out of this conference will be felt in every section of the State.

This was the first annual confer ence of the County Superintendents must not be the last. The meeting perfected a permanent State organi zation, and should come together in general conference at least once every year. The cost in expense will be trivial when compared wit the great good that will grow out of presented. This board is giving valuable aid through local organizations, to the cause of public education through out the South, being at all times on good paper

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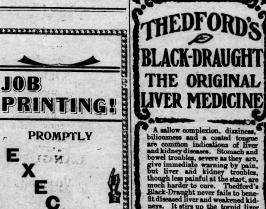
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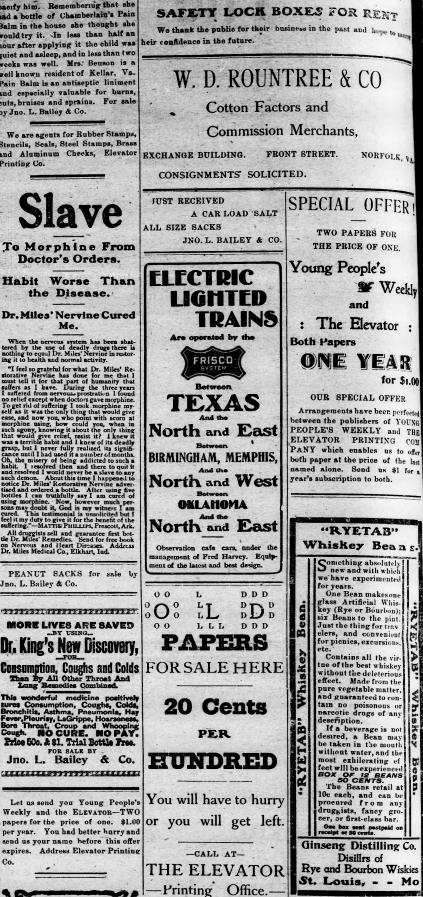
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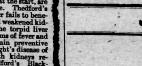
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