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## COMMENCEMENT AT HARBISON

Our Reporter Writes Entertainingly of this Flourishing School and its Work.

Harbison Agricultural College commencement took place last week. Owing to the lack of time I witnessed a part of the commencement only.

The Junior prize contest was an interesting scene. Several young men figured in the combat and made things lively. The speeches were not perfect, but they were thought out well and delivered in a spirited manner. Some of the young men were eloquent and took the audience with them "by violence."

The committee appointed to award the prize to the best speaker had no easy task on its hands. Three of the young men raced so near each other that nothing but the most watchful eye and critical faculty could detect who the superior man was. It was neck and neck.

While I sat and followed the contest I was convinced that a Junior prize contest in schools of higher grade than Harbison College would have to work very hard to excel this one. This is all the more remarkable when it is remembered that these Harbison boys are in the rough, just from the sticks, so to speak.

There was just one graduate for the year. The address of this man was thoughtful and attractive. The outlook for him is fair. I predict for him a future of usefulness in whatever sphere of activity his lot may be cast.

Another year the graduating class will be much larger. The music was a noteworthy item. Bright college songs and others made the welkin ring. All students of Harbison are required to sing. It is a part of their work, just like any other lesson, which must be studied and recited. The band of songsters at Harbison can interest and arouse the dullest soul ever. While some of the best numbers were being sung I noticed many of the old people present looking on with their mouths wide open and amazed.

They were delighted with the music.

It was a real joy to see the country and town people turn out in such vast numbers to attend the commencement and to note how happy they were. Harbison has spent only two or three years at Irmo, S. C., and Irmo is a very small town. But see how the folks come out and enjoy themselves and praise Harbison! Look at their clothing! Did you ever see such dresses? Did you ever see such wealth of colors? Believe me.

Harbison commencement of 1914 was the best for years. Old and young will cherish its memory for years.

In closing, let me say that Harbison College is planted right in the midst of a dense Negro population. The school owns something like 1,500 acres of land, which is being sold in lots on easy terms to colored people. The plan is to surround the college with an ideal Negro settlement which will help the college and which the college will benefit.

This is a splendid school for boys. Parents desiring a good, safe school for their boys will find Harbison the place to send them. President Young told me that no matter how poor a boy might be, if he was willing to work and study he would not be turned away from Harbison College.

The course of study covers a large field. While the science of agriculture is the principal subject, it is by no means the only thing taught. Many other things which a boy will need to make himself efficient, etc., are taught.

Dr. C. M. Young, President of the school, would be glad to give all necessary information.

G. T. Dillard.

## CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. I. W. Simons and family wish to thank most heartily the many friends and neighbors who have so kindly remembered us and have rendered us various thoughtful services during the many months of suffering of our loved one.

The Indicator does Job Printing!

## COMMENCEMENT AT CAMDEN

Browning Home and Mather Academy Hold Brilliant and Successful Closing Exercises.

Camden, June 2.—The commencement exercises of Browning Home and Mather Academy closed Tuesday, May 26, when the class of 1914, viz: Gertrude Allen, Catharine Elizabeth Collins, Charlotte Ann Collins, Harold Leobidas Dibble, Lottie Belle Reynolds, Edith Beatrice Wilson and Benjamin Wood delivered their essays and orations in Trinity M. E. church at 1:30 p. m. All of the graduates spoke well and special mention should be made of the salutatorian, Miss Edith B. Wilson, and the valedictorian, Miss Catharine E. Collins. These productions were good and reflected much credit. The pastor, Rev. B. S. A. Williams, in a brief but very timely manner, presented the diplomas.

The next in order was the annual address. This was up to the highest expectations and everybody expressed a delight in it. The title of this master-piece was "Watchfulness." This was well delivered and the speaker, with humor and wit attached to his philosophy, kept everybody old and young in deep attitude of expectancy until he had concluded. This able and worthy orator who served us was in person of Rev. R. D. Dillard, D. D., Camden, and the county at-large are proud of the honor conferred upon them through the faculty of this good school by having Dr. Burroughs serve on this occasion. The church and church grounds were well crowded.

At 9 p. m., the alumni association conducted its annual banquet in the spacious and well ordered dining hall of the academy. After the general reception of guests in the drawing room, the party was conducted to the beautiful tables and served with well prepared delicacies. The music was grand at all times. The next feature was the toast speeches, most of which were very good. The toast orators were: Dr. J. P. Pickett, Dr. J. H. Thomas, Prof. C. C. Lowery, Rev. J. W. Boykin, Messrs I. B. English, W. E. Boykin, Fred Aaron, and Mrs. Julia Douglass. Miss Rachel C. Brown, the senior alumna read a grand essay to the delight of all. The closing address was delivered by the president of the association, Mrs. D. C. Bulkley. Much credit is due her for the successful evening.

Too many thanks cannot be given Miss Frances V. Russell and her interesting faculty for the great work they are doing in behalf of our people. This school has a fine \$20,000 class room building and excellent girl dormitories. The school had its largest enrolment this season, but did not need to occupy the dormitory for little girls; this shows that upwards of 50 more girls can be accommodated easily, and Miss Russell wants them. Long live Browning Home and Mather Academy. G. C. Lowery.

While we have had some sickness and a few deaths the health of the people in our community is generally good, and they all seem to have good appetites. The graded school of our city has closed, and also the two colleges, thus considerably reducing our city's population, for most of the students have gone to their various homes to see friends and loving ones and to prepare to return again when school opens.

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Dr. A. P. Dunbar, of Columbia, who is general manager of the Mutual Relief and Benevolent Association, was in the city last Saturday and Sunday looking after the interest of his company which has a large membership in this city and is in charge of Mrs. Laura Daniels, widow of our late friend and brother, H. B. Daniels, who represented this company previous to his death, a few months ago. We commend this good and reliable company to the favorable consideration of all whose duty it is to patronize race enterprises.

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patient sufferer from sciatic rheumatism and was happily prepared for the end. She was a faithful and consistent member of Jones Chapel A. M. E. Zion church and greatly admired by all who knew her for her christian piety. The funeral was conducted from Jones Chapel Thursday following at 3 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Lewis. A large concourse of sorrowing friends were out to pay their last tribute of respect to the memory of this lovable and splendid young lady. The floral offerings were many and lovely. The body was tenderly laid to rest in Randolph cemetery.

## NEWS FROM CITY ON EDISTO

Orangeburg, May 26.—The crops are suffering for want of rain and the farmers are becoming somewhat alarmed on account of the long dry spell. However they are watching, waiting and praying for showers of blessings which they say will come by and by. The oat crop is fairly good in this section, and the same is being rapidly gathered. The vegetable crop is fine and a great help to those who suffer from the high cost of living. After all we have no right to complain, for we have many sources from which blessings come to us, charges pre-paid. The Great Giver of every good and perfect gift deserves our never-ending praise for these and other rich blessings coming down upon us.

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## LIFE AND FUNERAL OF REV. I. W. SIMONS.

The Rev. I. W. Simons, who died last Tuesday of kindly trouble at his home, Fairview, in the eastern suburbs of the city, was born in Kershaw in 1849. Since 1878 he has made his home in Columbia.

He was happily married Oct. 28, 1880, to Miss Minnie J. Williams, of Columbia, and of the marriage were born twelve children—TWO—INDICATOR.

Two of whom have long since preceded him to the better land. He has ever been a faithful and loyal member of Nazareth Baptist church, where his marriage was solemnized.

of the church to a suburb of the city, nearer the people who constitute its membership. This has finally been done, and it is a very sad realization to his family that his should be the first funeral—almost the first service—held there after the removal.

He graduated at Benedict College in the class of 1891. He has served efficiently and successfully as pastor of the Nazareth Baptist church in Columbia and churches in Georgetown, Newberry, Congaree, Batesburg and Lexington. He enjoyed the rare privilege of baptizing six of his children in his own beloved church. One of the unfulfilled desires of his life was that he might baptize the remaining four.

The funeral service was conducted at Nazareth on the 28th, and, according to his well known wish of years standing, the family had it very simply arranged, using the 23rd and 90th Psalms and two of his favorite hymns, "In All My Lord's Appointed Way," and "A Charge to Keep I Have."

The Rev. J. J. Durham, who has known him many years, made a few appropriate remarks on his life.

His four sons, his nephew, W. H. Thompson, and his brother-in-law, W. H. Howell, served as pall bearers. The honorary pall bearers were: Messrs. R. J. Palmer, Jas. Hicks, Joseph Cook, W. A. Thompson.

His only expressed wish for restored health during the five months of his illness was that he might be able to help build up his church in its new home. But God had a higher work for him, so called him away from us. We bow in humble submission to His will. The Family.

## OUR SPARTANBURG LETTER.

Spartanburg, May 29.—Mr. Allen Jackson was killed by a train in Charlotte on the 18th inst. The burial was at Easley, his old home. He is survived by his wife

who was Miss Martha Massey, of this city. She has the sympathy of her many friends.

The Social Hearts Club was entertained by Mrs. Worth Littlejohn at her beautiful home on N. Dean St. last Friday evening. A tempting course of salad, cake and ices was served.

The May Festival at Silver Hill M. E. church last week was a great success.

After a few hours illness, Mrs. Millie Waters died at her home on Rice St. Monday evening, May 25. Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 o'clock at the home. Rev. Smith, of the Holiness church officiated. The burial was at Friendship cemetery.

Mrs. Elias Bomar died suddenly at her home on Highland Heights, Tuesday 26th.

Mrs. Maggie Milam, of Baltimore, Md., returned and sang at Thompson Street Baptist church Monday night, May 25th. The audience was much pleased with the selection, "I hear you calling me." Miss Ida Gist presided at the organ.

Mrs. W. D. Freeman was seen at Thompson Street church Monday night.

The many friends of Mrs. Millie Jane Cheatham are glad to see her out again.

Mrs. Retha Gailiard is quite ill at her home on Hines St.

## THE CONTEST IS RAGING

The following is the standing of the contestants in the Grafo-nola Contest for the week ending Wednesday, June 3d, 1914:

No.	Score
3	41,260
4	62,890
6	51,270
7	58,500
8	64,280
9	35,000
10	48,280
11	42,870
15	31,000
16	34,260
17	64,120
18	26,240
19	50,025
30	62,740
31	28,240
32	36,110
33	31,240
35	30,785
36	36,140
37	41,260
38	62,375
42	24,870
43	62,140
44	28,180
45	26,185
49	31,040
50	26,165
51	62,060
52	34,170
56	41,240
58	32,450
60	48,760
61	26,140
62	25,745
79	29,185
81	26,280
82	40,260
83	24,895
96	27,280
109	60,870
112	51,240
113	25,180
114	24,270
115	36,070
121	42,485
122	22,840
137	100,010
138	60,840
145	51,860
146	50,085