

GAVE A GOOD TALK

MILLER CITES SOME FACTS ON THE NEGRO COLLEGE.

Reviews History of Institution, its Hard Fight for Existence and the Success Attained.

In bidding farewell to Orangeburg and the State Colored College, Wednesday, President Thos. E. Miller, who has been its efficient President since its establishment, reviewed briefly his connection with the College, his efforts to secure its establishment and the struggle he has encountered in the administration of the president's office.

In the course of his address he cites some facts that will be of general interest to the people of both races. It is recalled that R. S. Wilkerson was recently elected to succeed Miller. The full text of President Miller's address is as follows: "Sixteen years ago the Constitutional Convention met for the purpose of disfranchising the negroes. It was composed of not less than one hundred and sixty members, all of whom save six were of the white race, Smalls, Whipper, Wigg, Reid, Anderson and myself were the Republican members. The six of us managed, by a brave and bold fight to secure for the negro race this College.

"About eighteen years previous two negroes, Bruce Williams and Thos. E. Miller, made it possible, by their votes and voice, for the South Carolina College and the grand old Citadel to be restored to the white youths of the State. That was a bitter fight between the Hampton faction and the other Democratic faction. The opposition to those two colleges had a majority of two in the State senate. It required the votes of Senator Bruce Williams and myself to make it a tie. The tie was secured, and that grand commoner, Gen. Kennedy, voted with us; the tie was broken and these institutions were once more made the shrine of learning to and for the white youths of the State. At that time the faction led by Gen. Hampton promised us this College, but it was more than eighteen years before I was able to force the white people of South Carolina to redeem that pledge. Some day I will give the people of our State a full history of how I won this College in the Constitutional Convention for my people.

"I had no intention of becoming president, but I could not have secured the school for my people without leaving active political life. I made the sacrifice; we have had the College these fifteen years. The past of its existence is secure; the verdict of our people is that we have done well; we have made good in this College. We have matriculated more than 10,000 students; we have graduated more than 700, and those who have attended here have gone out in the world industrious, prudent, successful citizens. We never left God out of the equation in the management of this school. The College's motto is: 'The Glory of God and the Good of Man.' 'By the sweat of thy brow thou shalt eat bread is the command of God, and our aim here has been, and is my fervent hope ever will be, to inculcate into every and all of our students moral rectitude, lofty idea of patriotism, thrift, obedience, frugality and a clinging devotion to the Golden Rule. 'Very many presidents have only to look to the government and management of the College, and their task should be easy; but mine has been a duplex administration. When I came here some of the white people of the State were against the higher education of the negroes. The negro denominational colleges were fighting us and the one across the fence, through its president, vowed our annihilation. Hence, it became my lot to so act and speak as to show to the white people of this State, that it was, and is their duty to plant, support, protect and maintain this institution for the negro youth. I had to prove to the negro that the best school in South Carolina is this school. Then, again, I was surrounded in the beginning by a cabal of preachers on my faculty, who had little or no experience as educators, who were against industrial education, and they permitted no opportunity to escape, one and all of them, in their endeavor to destroy my administration and break up this College. If they had been hired by the people across the fence instead of by the State of South Carolina, they could not have been more persistent in their efforts of the destruction of my administration and this College.

"Those of us who have been here for the past ten years, with very few exceptions, have been faithful to every trust, and we have done all that man can do for the good of South Carolina by instructing, faithfully instructing, all who have come within our gate. Hence, I leave this institution with the best wishes and esteem of all the white people of this town. Words are not mine with which to thank them all for the encouragement and support they have given me during the fifteen years I have been here. The best certificate of success that I carry from here is the high regard my work and myself are held by these very excellent citizens of Orangeburg town and county. I have but one personal regret in leaving, and it is this: That these good white people will cease to be my neighbors, but I shall ever remember them, and prove by my labor wherever I may go, that I have been and will remain worthy of their confidence.

"Students, the best and greatest asset of a State or nation is her labor. The Slave whose labor is profligate, the State whose labor is immoral, the State whose labor is ignorant, is doomed to poverty. Hear

me, the motto of South Carolina is: 'Prepared in mind and in wealth. If she ceases to be prepared in intellect, she will cease to be prepared in wealth. 'A fool and his money soon parts.' Whether it be individual or State. Therefore, my parting word to you is this. Be up! Up and doing with a resolution to become educated in the arts of thrift and frugality, morals and industry and devotion to South Carolina! Let these principles become a part of every portion of you, and then South Carolina will never have cause to regret the money, let the amount be large or small, she spends upon this institution and upon you.

"To my people, the negroes, who have sent their children here to us, I have not words with which to thank them for their loyalty to me and this College, and I assure them that I have been a father to their children at all times. The humblest and most needy have received my strongest love and best devotion. It is my prayer that they will give my successor their undivided support in the future.

"Professors, instructors, teachers, I leave here with the best wishes for this institution and for you. I pray God that all of you shall see your duty and discharge it. Do not remain here only for the money you are getting, but do all in your power to prove to the enemies and friends of this institution that it is the best place in South Carolina for negroes to send their children. Be faithful to every trust, be true to each other, be loyal to your president. For him to be successful he needs untiring service from you, he needs your confidence, he needs your loyalty, and South Carolina demands the fullest discharge of every duty entrusted to you. Here is your new president; on the 30th of June the keys to this College will be handed him by me, with them my burdens will fall upon him. May God give him prudence, patience, health, strength, and above all, fidelity to every trust, and the wisdom of Solomon to execute the task.

Honorable trustees and devoted friends, how can I say to you farewell? I have been here serving you and South Carolina for fifteen years, and I have never been associated with or under better men. The superior of our board of trustees is not to be found in the State. Governor Evans permitted me to name the trustees of this School in the beginning, and I selected Bradham, Floyd, Brice, Kibler, Lowman, men of honor and integrity and patriotism. And as soon as some of them have dropped out they have been succeeded by Messrs. Dukes, White, Sawyer, each and every one of whom have proven the equal of their predecessors. But the future only will reveal the fact if South Carolina has in her confines the equal of Major D. J. Bradham. He has been the devoted, trusty, I say the fathers of the board in patience, prudence and devotion to the task assigned him in the management of this school. He is now succeeded by Mr. Hodge. The name is a good one, the Hodges of America have been the leaders in patriotism and educated thought, I pray for him eminent success in the management of this school. All of you gentlemen know why I have been forced to leave you; I opposed the election of our Governor. I have never said an unkind word about him; I wrote and spoke the truth. I uttered only facts. God forbid that I should ever publicly or privately slander any man, yet I can thank my God enough for having given me courage to speak the truth, let its cost be ever so dear.

"My task here has been heavy. I have given fifteen years of devoted service, my very best of manly existence. Governor Bleasie has emancipated me from the heavy burden. Words are not mine with which to thank him for my freedom. I leave here with a heart full of gratitude to Governor Bleasie for my emancipation. He is a gited young man; his enemies are praying to sum up his administration when he shall have finished it, and truthfully place him in the class of Franklin J. Moses, Jr. But my prayers are for the good of South Carolina and him, that God may direct him, protect him and keep him from wrong, that when the impartial historian shall take up the pen to write his administration,

LATE W. R. SABIN

WHAT IS SAID OF HIM WHERE HE WAS BEST KNOWN.

Rev. J. L. McLees, Pastor of the Orangeburg Presbyterian Church, also Speaks Highly of Him.

Editor Times and Democrat: Please copy in your paper the following taken from the Tribune, of Knoxville, Tenn:

Editor The Tribune: The article printed in the Journal and Tribune on yesterday, and the statement quoted from the South Carolina papers relative to W. R. Sabin, who met a tragic death on last Tuesday at Orangeburg, S. C., needs some correction. Only one brother, Archie D. has died, who was a student at Maryville College at the time of his death by meningitis in 1908. Am glad to say that he leaves two brothers alive instead of one. The eldest of the family, Albert S., who is married and lives in South Carolina, and Guy E., named for his father, lives with his mother, in Fountain City, Tenn. His mother is the only daughter of the late Dr. W. R. Sevier, of Jonesboro, Tenn., who died in 1882, and he was a nephew of the Rev. Dr. Nathan Bachman.

The Columbia State says: "The cause of the shooting is not positively known, but family trouble is said to be behind the affair."

This is an exceedingly unfortunate and misleading statement, calculated to leave in the minds of those not acquainted with Mr. Sabin the impression that this noble young man had been guilty of some grave moral wrong.

His moral character is absolutely unimpeachable. The facts in the case as they will ultimately be made known will free him from the least suspicion of moral taint. Honest, pure, kind, peaceful and energetic, he was a most exemplary and valuable citizen. I can think of no true manly virtue that did not belong to him. His mother, brothers, and his host of friends have the consolation that the dear departed established a spotless christian character and that he now knows experimentally the meaning of the Savior's words, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

Calvin A. Duncaa.

The above tribute to the memory of W. R. Sabin, from his home in Tennessee, meets, I have no doubt with a hearty response from the citizens of Orangeburg who knew him as I did. During our short acquaintance he impressed himself upon me as a young man of very exceptional character. He identified himself with the church, and all good things immediately upon his arrival in our midst, and ever since has maintained the highest confidence and respect of the congregation of which he became a member. As his pastor, I feel that I have lost a true friend, and the church a noble worker. His deplorable death has saddened the hearts of many. For a young man with such characteristics to be thus cut down is sad indeed. Mr. Sabin was a member of one of the oldest Southern families, being a direct descendant of John Sevier, the first Governor of Tennessee, and who was one of the hardy mountaineers who captured Kings Mountain during the Revolution. He also had four uncles in the Confederate army.

J. L. McLees, Pastor.

That Chicago negro lawyer who has sued "Uncle Sam for infringing on a patent" must be under the impression that the old gentleman has money to throw away.

he will be closed in truth, with Moultrie, Rutledge, Pinckney and McDuffie, and last but not least, with the immortal Wade Hampton. "Only one more word, and I am through. Teachers, my successor, students let all of you remember that 'In union there is strength.' Hence take unto yourselves this motto, 'We are Many in One.' Farewell."

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GLADSOME MOMMENTS.



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