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Thomas Jefferson Not an Atheist.

The following correspondence we know will prove interesting to our readers. It is not to be found in any volume of letters, or life of Thomas Jefferson, that we have seen. The article was furnished to us by Col. Wm. B. Hamilton, of San Antonio, Texas, who has been in Dahlonega for a short time on a visit to a relative, and to rest and recuperate. He is a grandson of Col. John Hamilton "layman," who wrote the document which we now publish:

The Chowan association in 1807 met at Cashie Meeting house, Bertie county, on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of May. At the meeting the year previous at Salem church an address to Thomas Jefferson, who was then President of the United States, was presented to the association by Col. John Hamilton, a prominent layman in the association, which was approved by the association, and by its order signed by the Moderator and clerk, and forwarded to the President. The address was as follows:

United States:
"Sir:—Under Divine protection, the ministers and messengers of the several Baptist churches of the North Carolina Chowan association, held at Salem, on Newbiggin Creek, in Pasquotank county, in the district of Edenton and State of North Carolina having met by appointment to offer up the sacrifices of a broken and contrite heart to the Great Author of their being for the unbounded display of goodness and of tender mercies bestowed upon the children of men; and while rendering adoration, prayer and thanksgiving with deep humility, for the great and unspeakable Gift, that brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel, they feel a profound sense of the bounty received by the hands of the Supreme toward the several churches of our connection, by the outpouring of the Spirit upon them; not only effecting a great increase of members, but in the substantial interest of the churches, being supported and strengthened by a very great and uncommon measure of Christian love, union and harmony among the brethren. While we have great cause of thankfulness for all these bounties and mercies, we have felt the deepest gratitude to be due for the civil and religious liberties we enjoy under the administration of the government over which you, sir, at present, preside; for which liberties our fathers have in time past suffered at the stake, have bled and died.

"The sense of contrast between the present moment and a late period, when we were feeling alarmed at the threatened invasion upon the general toleration of a free conscience in the worship of a God of our fathers; we have now great reason to shout with loud acclamations of joy and praise, that we can live under our own vine and under our fig tree in peace. And while we pray that the sons of liberty may be long held at the helm of government to rule and govern the United States, we feel the strongest emotions to be thankful that under your patronage and administration there is none shall make us afraid.

"Living under a government of our own choice, where the right of men find an equal and impartial distribution; how much ought we to rejoice at the envied happiness and freedom of our fellow citizens throughout these States, unrivalled and unequalled by any nation

on this terrestrial globe, and in the midst of natural wealth, prosperity and peace, added to extent of empire Under the wise policy of your administration, we feel no danger of you violating your trust or attempting to endanger the happiness of the people who have chosen you as their chief and head. And while our prayers and praises are due to the Sovereign Ruler of the Universe who has made you an instrument in His hands to give such blessings to such a people, we pray that the God of Battles may be your sun and shield, that He may give you grace and glory, and that He may withhold no thing from you. And may we devoutly permitted to add our prayers to the Great Disposer of Evens, if it is His will, that your life devoted to public good from the commencement of our glorious Revolution to the present day, may be prolonged with blessings to yourselves and common country.

"Signed by order of the association.

"George Outlaw, Moderator.

"Lemuel Burkitt, Clerk.

"May 20th, 1806."

At the meeting, May 2, 1807, before referred to, the President's reply was read.

"Washington, June 24th, 1806.

"Sir:—I have duly received the address signed by yourself on behalf of the ministers and messengers of the several Baptist churches of the North Carolina Chowan association, held at Salem, and I proffer my thanks for the favorable sentiment which it expresses towards myself personally.

"The happiness which our country enjoys in the pursuits of peace and industry ought to endear that cause to all its citizens and to kindle their hearts with gratitude to the Being under whose Providence these blessings are held. We owe to Him especial thanks for the right we enjoy to worship Him, every one in his own way, and that we have been singled out to prove by experience the innocence of freedom in religious opinions and exercises, the power of reason to maintain itself against error, and the comfort of living under laws which assure us that, in these things, 'there is none who shall make us afraid.' I am peculiarly gratified by the confidence you express, that no attempt will ever be made by me to violate the trust imposed in me by my fellow citizens or to endanger their happiness. In this confidence you shall never be disappointed. My heart never felt a wish unfriendly to the general good of my fellow citizens.

"Be so kind as to present my thanks to the churches of your association, and assure them of my prayers for the continuance of every blessing to them now and hereafter; and accept yourself my salutations and assurances of great respect and consideration.

"THOS. JEFFERSON.

"Mr. George Outlaw."

Lumpkin County School Statistics.

State School Commissioner Merritt's report for 1903 shows the following statistics concerning the public schools of Lumpkin county which will be of much interest to many of her citizens: Number of school houses belonging to county board 27, 25 white and 2 colored. Value of white school houses \$5,200; colored \$800; total value \$5,500. Number of school houses belonging to board of education 4, 3 whites and 1 colored; total value \$450. Only 1 school house built last year; value \$300.

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Received \$5,846.39. Paid out \$5,846.39. Salary of County School Commissioner \$300. Salary of members of board of education \$38. Postage, printing and other incidentals, including teachers institute \$250. School supplies and building \$198.44. Amount paid to teachers \$4,559.95.

Lumpkins school census between six and eighteen years: 2,002; white 1,950, colored 72. Enrollment 1,394; of this number 81 colored. Average attendance 796; 57 of this number colored. Average cost of pupils 95 cents per month.

It will be seen by the report that several hundred children of this county do not go to school at all.

Having Its Troubles.

The Dillon (Wyo.) Doublejack is having its troubles. The editor says: "Editing a newspaper is a nice thing. If we publish jokes, people say we are rattlebrained. If we don't, we are fossils. If we publish original matter, they say we don't give them enough selections. If we give them selections, they say we are too lazy to write. If we don't go to church, we are hypocrites. If we remain in the office, we ought to be out looking for news items. If we go out, then we are not attending to business. If we wear old clothes,

they laugh at us. If we wear good clothes, they say we have a pull. Now, what are we to do? Just as likely as not some one will say that we stole this from an exchange. So we did. It's from the Wyoming Derrick."

Georgia Marriage Said to Be Illegal.

An attorney here has discovered that there existed in Georgia many years ago, and in force as late as 1854, a law requiring every male applicant for a marriage license to give a bond to the county showing that he was financially able to properly support the woman he was intending to marry. At different times a different sum was named, ranging from 500 pounds sterling to \$500.

Later research revealed that this law was never repealed and consequently that all marriages made since '54 are not strictly legal. Prominent attorneys say that all kinds of legal complications may ensue.—Forest Blade.

A banana peel on the sidewalk is a nuisance and the man who steps on one generally tumbles to the fact.

Don't laugh at a girl because she can't hit the side of a barn with a brick; you might marry her some day, then you'd be glad.

Climate of September, 1904, and 1st 1903. The average date for the killing frost is November 8th.

Gift to The College.

A few days ago Col. W. P. Price presented to the N. G. A. College a bronze facsimile of the seal of the Confederate States. It bears the legend, "The Confederate States of America, 22 February, 1862—Duo Vincite."

Col. Price is an enthusiastic veteran of the lost cause, and loses no opportunity to preserve its traditions. It will be an interesting thing for students of the coming generations to see this representation of the cause for which their fathers went through the real manuevers of Manassas. And the college has as good a friend in Col. Price as the confederacy had.

The library has also received lately another gift of books from Mrs. H. D. Ingersoll, who frequently favors the college in this way.

It is claimed that 300,000,000,000 campaign documents, aggregating 15,000,000 tons in weight, are to be distributed from Democratic headquarters. This represents the work of two months. As the Republican distribution began a month earlier, its literature will aggregate at least 450,000,000,000 documents, or 22,500,000 tons. There is a total of 37,500,000 tons.

The following is furnished by Prof. B. P. Gaillard, of the N. G. College of Dahlonega:

Monthly Mean 70, which is normal. Highest temperature 91, on the 27th. Lowest temperature 48, on the 16th.

Rainfall.—51 one hundredths of an inch, which is 8 and 77 one hundredths below normal, and the low September record for 12 years, the next lowest was 65 one hundredths in 1897. The lowest rainfall for any month recorded in the same time was 47 one hundredths in October, 1892. The highest September record was 12 inches and one hundredths in 1898. The highest yearly rainfall recorded for any month was 12 inches in June 1900. The highest yearly rainfall was 72 and 84 hundredths inches in 1900. The lowest, 54, and thirty six one hundredths in 1899. September posts are recorded in 1896, 1899, 1901, 1903, all light and only in low places.

OCTOBER WEATHER.

Normal temperature for October for 12 years is 59. The highest recorded in that period was 89 in 1897. The lowest, 28 in 1893. The highest rainfall was 8 and 32 one hundredth inches in 1898. The lightest 47 one hundredths in 1892. Killing frosts occurred in October in 1893, 1894, 1896, 1898,