

## STUDENTS AT HARTWELL RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMAS

Col. Lamar C. Rucker, of Atlanta, Delivered Address to Large and Appreciative Audience.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
HARTWELL, Ga., May 27.—Wednesday morning's program brought to a close another year of successful work on the part of the students and teachers of the Hartwell Institute.

The event which brought the friends and patrons of this institution together for the exercises of the graduating class, which was composed of Messrs. O. H. Lankford and Rufus Parker and Miss Florence Brown.

The salutatory essay was read by Miss Brown. Mr. Rufus Parker delivered an oration on "The Wonders of Science," and Mr. Lankford delivered the salutatory address, each acquitting himself very creditably.

The address delivered by Dr. W. W. Wadsworth, pastor of the First Methodist church here, was a gem of oratory. His theme was "Robert E. Lee, the Ideal Exemplar of Southern Youth." It was indeed a grand subject for such an occasion, and was handled in a masterly and inspiring manner. It is said to be the best ever delivered here on a similar occasion.

All of the exercises preceding that of the graduating class were largely attended and very much enjoyed. The prominent feature of the week was the "Old Maids' convention," "Katy in Gooseland," "The Dolls' Frolic," given by the students under the direction of Miss Clare Parker.

The address of Colonel Lamar C. Rucker, of Atlanta, was interfered with by the great downpour of rain, but later in the day he was greeted by an appreciative audience to which he spoke. The orator of the occasion was introduced by Colonel Arthur R. Richardson, of the Hartwell bar.

The music for all of the exercises was furnished by pupils from Miss Addie Alford's class.

## PIEDMONT INSTITUTE CLOSSES ITS SESSION AT ROCKMART

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
ROCKMART, Ga., May 27.—The annual commencement exercises at Piedmont institute for this year closed yesterday. Although the weather was wet and rainy most of the time the exercises were well attended and interesting throughout the entire proceedings.

Bishop Warren A. Candler preached on Sunday. He preached a great sermon.

Rev. S. B. Ledbetter preached Sunday night.

Monday morning President Rufus W. Smith, of LaGrange Female college delivered an address.

The entertainment Monday evening by the grammar school department was very interesting. It was highly gratifying to the audience.

Tuesday was champion debate day. Subject: "Resolved, that public opinion is a good standard of right." The decision was made in favor of the negative.

The entertainment Tuesday evening by the music and elocution department, very good and much appreciated by congregation.

The graduating exercises Wednesday morning were pleasant and entertaining. The address by President Rev. G. F. Veale, was appropriate and good. He was re-elected president by the trustees.

## SECRETARIES OF STATE ELECT NEW OFFICERS

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 27.—The National Association of Secretaries of State passed resolutions yesterday opposing fees on requisitions and warrants and in favor of uniform corporation laws for all states. The following officers were elected:

President, J. W. Morton, of Tennessee; vice presidents, W. H. Gibson, Idaho; F. G. Fleetwood, Vermont; J. F. O'Brien, New York; D. E. Storms, Indiana, and L. C. Latin, Ohio; secretary, O. C. Ludwig, Arkansas; treasurer, P. E. Harrison,

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