Morehead Normal School.

HISTORY.
This institution was founded eleven years ago by Gen. Wm. T. Withers, of Lexington, Ky. The school began with one pupil, and during the past year one hundred and ninety-one pupils were enrolled. The buildings have been enlarged from year to year, and this year 53 acres of hill and valley were purchased and added to the campus. Articles of incorporation have been filed, and degrees are to be conferred and diplomas granted in the future.

PRESENT FACILITIES.
The Boarding Hall is the largest and most completely finished and furnished in Eastern Kentucky. It is in charge of Elder D. G. Combs and family, which insures excellent management.

All of the buildings are modern and the accommodations are of the best.

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT
It was proper that Morehead, the scene of so much bloodshed, the place where for years anarchy reigned, should be the first site selected for a mission school. The selection of F. C. Button, with his wise, devoted and conscientious mother to pioneer this enterprise, we must ascribe to that Providence which directs our steps however our hearts may devise the way. Prudent, patient, painstaking, persevering and prayerful, mother and son gave themselves up with complete consecration to this plant of the Lord.

Mr. R. Hodson, a kinsman of Mrs. Phoebe Button, recognizing the merit of her work and the need of missions in the mountains of Kentucky, and remembering the grace and gifts of his own daughter, now at rest with God, opened his heart to the appeal of our beloved brother F. C. Button, and gave $1,500 towards the erection of a suitable building for the school, the citizens of Rowan county contributing enough money to make the building a memorial of Mrs. Phoebe E. Button. Other gifts had been made by our Kentucky brethren, but this gift, coming from the distant town of Oquawka, Illinois, exceeds them all. We rejoice in a liberality that overleaps all state lines, and that helps the truly needy everywhere. Surely God will richly bless the liberal heart and hand which recognize his goodness, and establish institutions which in the centuries to come, will continue to fashion the character of our mountain youth.

The people in Kentucky should all appreciate this munificent offering. It should yield fruit not only in enriching the minds of mountain children, but in stimulating our own rich to like generous offerings. Dr. Hodson will provoke us to good works. He has struck the keynote to the solution of our mission school work.
This gift imposes upon us the duty of calling out among our own people a benevolent adequate to to meet the increasing opportunities of mission in the mountains.

In this connection it is proper to remark that F. C. Button has been put in charge of Morehead Academy, and will spend the summer working for that institution. As he goes from place to place, let the brethren bid him God-speed. It will be well for us if this consecrated man is spared till from the Cumberland to the Big Sandy we have dozens of academies planted and equipped, furnishing the best and brightest minds to our colleges for more thorough education.

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