AHAMPTON GRADUATE
WHO HAS GIVEN YEARS OF WORK TO EDUCATION

Prof. J. L. Trigg, Principal of Prince Anne Academy Honored by the Late Gen. Armstrong—His School Work in Virginia an Maryland—An Apostle of Industrial Education.

Princess Anne, Md.—The subject of this sketch was born in Virginia and is a graduate of the well-known Hampton Normal Agricultural Institute, of Hampton, Va. He took an advanced course at North Carolina, and has since continued his education in the line of his choice. At one time he was principal of the graded schools at Abingdon, Va., which position he resigned to accept the principalship of the public schools in Lynchburg, Va., where he served twenty years and was once principal of the Colored High School of the last named city, which ranks among the leading colored schools of the state. For six consecutive years he was conductor of state institutes for teachers, having won the esteem and confidence of his associates in the Bureau of Education, of that state through his faithfulness in the schools of Lynchburg, Va., under Prof. F. C. Glass, whose schools have a national reputation.

He was at one time member of the Board of Visitors of the Virginia State College, and helped shape the course of studies for that institution, which last but one was made by the recent adopted state constitution. In June, 1878, he was invited by his honored president, the late Gen. Armstrong to make the commencement address, at Hampton Institute, being the first graduate invited to speak on such a historic occasion, which shows the esteem he was held by his Alma Mater.

The writer has credited it to Gen. Armstrong once said of the subject of our sketch, that: "He will finally win his way to the front in the field of education among his people." The editor of the Somerset Journal in a recent article said of him the following: "He deserves the highest commendation for placing thePrince Anne Academy at once upon its feet;" he further states that for the leading educational institution for the colored race in the state of Maryland, with a faculty composed of competent men and women, all graduates from among the best institutions in the country.

Prof. Trigg is generally known to be courteous and gentlemanly, he has convictions of his own and has a faculty for impressing upon the hearts of people what he regards to be true. This is clear to everyone who knows him. He has strong faith in the possibilities of his race and believes that it will outlive all obstacles that stand in its path to day, and firmly believes in the education of the head, heart, and hand; he believes in agriculture, and says that Mother Earth is fully able to solve what is known as the Negro problem. The Professor was appointed principal of the Prince Anne Academy in June, 1902, and entered immediately upon his duties. President J. O. Spencer has stood firmly by principal Trigg in every step he has taken. The people of both races of Princess Anne regard the Professor with the highest esteem, and consider him the right man in the right place.

The Goldsboro News

Tar Heel News, Goldsboro, N. C. Special—Dr. Goler, President of the Livingstone College was in the city this week, the guest of Prof. and Mrs. W. F. Flournoy. Mrs. A. L. Dillard left for Washington, D. C., on Wednesday to spend several weeks with relatives. The A. M. E. Zion Church, of which Rev. C. L. Alexander is pastor, is preparing for a "Grand Rally" next Sunday. The congregation and friends expect to raise five hundred dollars to complete their new church. "Uncle Sam" is preparing to give us a magnificent postoffice building on the corner of John and Mulberry Sts. Goldsboro has quite a number of new buildings going up. Our "bolo" is fast taking on the city air. The Colored Insane Asylum is located one mile West of us. This grand and imposing structure with its beautiful grounds, would interest any artist. The First African Baptist Church, of which Rev. J. W. Dew is pastor, is preparing to remodel the church and put in a pipe organ. Prof. and Mrs. Whitehead entertained a large number of friends at their beautiful home on last Friday night. All expressed themselves as having spent the evening very pleasantly. Prof. R. E. Williams, who has been appointed postal railway clerk, is one of our rising stars. He is a graduate of Blodgett University. It gives us pleasure and inspiration to read of so many great and noble men and women through the columns of The Colored American; for "Great men are the pillars in this dark pilgrimage of mankind; they stand as heavenly signs, everlasting witnesses of what has been prophetic tokens of what may still be the revealed possibilities of human nature."

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