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The "Good Will Free Library" shown on the cover of this issue was established at Ledger in Mitchell County in 1887. This library was built and equipped by Charles Hallet Wing, former chemistry professor at Cornell University and M.I.T., who moved to Ledger in 1885 and remained for more than twenty years. The building to the right of the library is a cottage for the librarian, also built and furnished by Wing. The second floor of the library, which was the first free public library in the state and the third county library in the U. S., housed an assembly hall "for civic and social gatherings of the community." (Photo supplied by North Carolina Collection, Wilson Library, Univ. of N. C.)

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