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The first step Salisbury needs to take for the re-establishment of her business interests and promote commercial activity is to re-establish a reign of law and civic righteousness. No community so demoralized as this need ever expect to be much. "Salisbury is the place" to get your liquor. "Salisbury is the place" where they do not observe law. "Salisbury is the place" for licentiousness, etc., will quickly be the answer to efforts that do not have the removal of these things from our midst as an object. Decent people do not care to live in or make investments in respectable enterprises where there is no law and they must get down on a level with the lawless to get a hearing, or obtain patronage.

\$30,000 or more was spent in road building during the past year and less than SIX MILES OF ROAD HAVE BEEN BUILT, leaving the road from China Grove to Saw out of the count. The three miles of road to Faith cost about \$1,000 per mile. The people hauled the rock free and the late E. B. C. Hambly gave the rock. The Bringle's Ferry road is now costing the county about \$5,000 per mile. It runs right through the granite belt where rock is plentiful and easily obtained and the County Commissioners are paying for all they get. Look at the recent county statement and you will see that one of the commissioners is getting something along. These are the gentlemen who want to issue bonds for a new court house. Why?

A poor woman died here last week in the lock-up. She was drunk and she got that whiskey from some of the numerous blind tigers which the town aldermen are permitting, aiding and abetting to unlawfully exist here. It is likely the town will have to pay for the outrage. This looks like criminal negligence on the part of the officials, both as to their failure to drive out these unlawful dealers and because the woman was thrown into such a place and left without attention. As Judge Harmon said in regard to corporations: "Crime is personal." So it is, and there ought to be a way to get at the fellows who are responsible for it. If a building is burned and the town is responsible for the loss because the officials have permitted boys to pop fire crackers, then if a life is lost because the officials have permitted, contrary to law, men to sell poisoned whiskey, it looks like the town is also responsible. The only reason for the existence of retailers of whiskey in Salisbury is because the officials, town and county, are permitting it, deliberately failing to do their duty.

The prohibitionists of Rowan County, a good majority of the voters, owe it to themselves to arise and make themselves not only felt, but make themselves rulers of the county. They have already been too indifferent to the responsibilities assumed upon the glorious victory of May 26th, 1908. There are numerous reasons for such a course, the first of which is the enforcement of the law which they so heartily championed. The blessings to be derived from good laws will never come so long as their enforcement is left in the hands of their enemies, to say nothing of the usefulness of men to hold office who do not regard the oaths they take. Men who do such things violate every principle of popular government, every tenet of true Democracy and make our government the prototype of lawlessness, of lawless men and a menace to law, order, decency and public morality. This is the condition of affairs in Salisbury and the county now, and it will remain so, or grow worse, so long as the sponsors of law and order sit in idleness and disregard the necessity of being true men and of

standing by the task undertaken until the results desired are accomplished.

The prohibition act was made law by a non-partisan effort. High-minded, Christian men and women of all parties got together and won a great victory, but one that must be constantly guarded to be maintained. Only by a similar effort need prohibitionists ever hope to retake the county and uphold the law; only by such an effort need any prohibitionist, republican or democrat, ever hope to again hold an office in the county. Neither of these parties are willing for him to have a square deal. He is taboed, he is outlawed, yet he is in the majority and is quietly and foolishly sleeping on his rights. He needs only to arise, get himself together and take charge of the whole "show." Shall this be done? Or shall this reign of lawlessness and incompetency be permitted to re-elect itself and continue in its blighting course? Will some one start the ball? Now is the time, a little later may be too late to succeed.

To put \$125,000 in a new court house is a most unwarranted waste of public money. No better and no larger building than the present one will be the result. The statement made by the County Commissioners that a new building is needed is not warranted by the facts. Few court houses anywhere have a larger auditorium than the one now in use, not even that of the Supreme Court of the United States where nine judges sit at once and witnesses from every quarter of the land are summoned. It is furnished better however. The wise thing to do at this time is to put the present building, interior and exterior, in perfect condition. It is a strong, substantial building and of handsome architectural design. At a small cost it can be remodelled to compare favorably with similar structures anywhere. The present structure can be worked over and so greatly improved that it would equal a new one and could not be recognized as the same building. The stucco can be renewed and painted, the interior walls can be kalsomined, or gilded, the floors can be renewed with hardwood or tiled, a slate roof can be put on, a cellar can be dug and a heating plant installed, if necessary rooms can be added, and modern furniture can be supplied throughout, including the auditorium, with Brussels carpeting and upholstered seats. With the building put in proper condition these things would look as well and harmonize as readily as in a new building and they could all be had for considerably less than it is proposed to spend for a new building. It is not once out of a hundred times in building that the proposed cost and the actual cost tally. Usually it is considerably more, besides this, the new building will have to be furnished in an elegant manner, which will make some more big figures.

But to spend \$25,000 on the present building without submitting the matter to the people would be unequal for. The law empowering county commissioners to repair and build court houses, jails, etc. does not unbridle them and turn them loose to kick up their heels and snap their fingers at the people's rights and do as they please without let or hindrance, contrary to the wishes of the taxpayers. The law probably does not mean more than to dispose of the necessity of petitioning the legislature for a special act granting the right for the commissioners to keep buildings in proper repair and allowing them in conjunction with the people, the privilege to vote on the larger expenditures. It certainly did not contemplate taking away the rights of the people to vote on

bond issues, and does not suggest in any manner that the commissioners should not submit the large matters to the people before proceeding, such as is now proposed by our commissioners.

It is a very easy matter to spend public money, very much too easy, and faithful public servants would be slow to take such a step. Such men always see the public's interests, the people's welfare and looses sight of their personal wishes. They have the confidence and esteem of all and are praised for doing their duty. They are continually wanting to issue bonds, spend big money and care nothing for the public welfare and the people's wishes, although they are most wide-mouthed in their pretensions. Men who make a habit of giving out contracts to the highest bidder instead of the lowest for the same goods, ought not to be permitted to handle other people's money. They are the kind the people "ouss," and they are the kind who go about pretending to be the innocent victims of righteous censure. No true, honorable and patriotic official has ever yet had to go about dodging the indignant protests and clamors of an outraged constituency and he never will, for the meanest criminal is always willing to respect both his words and acts.

The only way now open for our people to stop this unwarranted waste of money is to raise a fund, take the matter into court and demand their rights. Let some one in each neighborhood start a subscription and go around and collect something for this purpose.

Several other instances where the County Commissioners have failed to give contracts to the lowest bidder for the same amount and kind of goods have been called to our attention, in addition to this the superintendent of the county home is forced to buy provisions, not where she can get them the cheapest or may be the most convenient, but where the Commissioners say. Why is this?

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**SALEM NEWS.**

March 8.—Will Briggs is building his chimney this week. He don't need to carry any water to make mortar. Gus Lippard is the Mason and is good one.

O. W. Graham is adding new machinery to his saw-mill.

Miss Anna Rios has gotten some better at this writing.

The Salem School closed to-day. The spelling match at Salem school last night between the Salem and the Lingle Schools was a tie.

Ex-Post master of Manning has a cow that makes him 9 pounds of butter a week. Who can beat that?

The people of this community don't want a new Court house. We don't need it. Better put the hat money on the road where it will do some good.

Mrs. John Rex has considerable improved since she tried the new doctor.

Messrs Shulenberg, Graham, Repley all were bitten by a mad cat and all went to Raleigh for treatment. The cat was taken along and proved to be mad. People are almost afraid to go out doors after dark, its no telling what all was bitten in its rambles. Some have killed all their cats and dogs.

E. M. Sifford is hauling logs for a new barn.

I think if people of Rowan County, want a new courthouse give the tax-payers a chance and leave it to the people at the ballot box, and if the commissioners on the board only want it, let them build it and pay for it. It is County property.

Greatly Reduced Rates in Atlanta, Ga., on Account of Music-Festival, April 22-27, 1912, via Southern Railway.

Reduced rate round trip tickets will be on sale for this occasion on April 21st to 26th with final return limit April 30th. The following low round trip rates will apply from stations named: Charlotte, \$8 25; Salisbury, \$9 00; Concord, \$8 90; Gastonia, \$7 65; Davidson, \$8 90. Reduced rates on same basis will be on sale from all other stations on the Southern Railway, and full and complete information can be had by applying to any agent, or, R. H. DeBurris, Division Passenger Agent Charlotte, N. C.

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Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**A Question to be Answered.**

John Harkley, of the Salem church neighborhood, was in Salisbury this morning and propounds a question that he would like for some one to settle. It is this: Should a man plant a pumpkin seed near a dividing line, the seed sprouts, the vine crosses the line and bears fruit, whose pumpkins are they? Do they belong to the man who planted the seed or to the man on whose land the pumpkins grew?

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"Several women who had taken your Compound, told me to try it and I did and found it to be the right medicine to build up the system and overcome female troubles."

"I am now in great deal better health than I ever expected to be, so I think I ought to thank you for it."—Mrs. O. M. CLINE, S. Main St., Brownsville, Ind.

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**STATEMENT.**  
**Rowan Mutual Fire Ins. Co. Salisbury, N. C.**

Condition December 31, 1911, as shown by statement filed.

Amount of ledger assets December 31st of previous year.....	\$149,080.00
Income from policyholders.....	\$152,550.00
Disbursements—	
To policyholders 2255 90	\$2,701.24
Miscellaneous 448 34	150.68
Fire risks—written or renewed during year.....	\$120,448.00
In force.....	\$1,068,666.00
Business in North Carolina during 1911	
Fire risks written.....	\$120,448.00
Reinsurances received.....	150.68
President.....	O. M. POOLS
Secretary.....	A. W. WINKHOFF
Treasurer.....	A. W. WINKHOFF
Home Office, Salisbury, N. C.	
Attorney for service, Local.....	Business man, for N. C., Local.....
State of North Carolina, Insurance Department, Raleigh, N. C., March 8th, 1912.	
I, James E. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Rowan Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Salisbury, N. C., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1911.	
JAMES E. YOUNG, Ins. Com.	
Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.	

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