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Our School Books.

By an act of the last General Assembly it becomes the duty of the Governor to appoint a committee of not less than five, nor more than ten, to pass upon the relative merits of the school books to be adopted for use in the public schools of the State for the next five years. This is one of the most important laws enacted by the General Assembly at its last session. The cause of popular education was never so much in the public mind in North Carolina as it is to-day. This wave of public sentiment in favor of education has been put in motion by the Democratic party and will result in putting our dear old State high up in the scale of popular educational improvements, rather than in the unfavorable position she so long has occupied. She is no longer the Rip Van Winkle in intellectual improvements, but is girding her loins for the fight against ignorance that thrills every patriotic heart with pride and satisfaction. We will have available for school purposes for the next two years the magnificent sum of one million dollars or thereabout. With this sum in hand, a four months school in each year is made a reality. Who is not proud that he voted for the Constitutional Amendment and the whole Democratic ticket, when we see the promises of the party so faithfully carried out? Now the next question is the character and price of the school books to be used. For some time past our school children have been in the clutch of a School Book Trust that has put in the hands of the youth of the State books that cannot bear the scrutiny of a critical and patriotic examination and sold at a price that has been oppressive and outrageous.

Some writer of integrity said, "let one write the nursery songs of a people, and I care not who makes their laws." We say that those who write the school books of a people, give direction and tend to the public sentiment of that generation.

Parents should see to it that their children shall not read or study any book written by the hand of an alien or foreigner, whose views are at variance with the convictions of the people of the South, as they are written by authors who have no sympathy with the South in its past or present—in its convictions and principles.

Let the school book committee appointed by our Governor select books written by southern authors, who will make the youth of North Carolina proud of the achievements of the past as well as hopeful of the future.

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The New Revenue Act.

(Continued from 1st page.)

Merchant Tax.—Each vendor or dealer in goods, wares, merchandise, etc., retail or wholesale, except as specially mentioned, annual tax \$1; also annually on gross sales as follows:
 Sales less than \$500, 50c;
 from \$500 to 1,000, \$1.00;
 from 1,000 to 2,000, 1.50;
 from 2,000 to 3,000, 2.50;
 from 3,000 to 10,000, 4.00;
 from 10,000 to 20,000, 8.00;
 from 20,000 to 40,000, 12.00;
 from 40,000 to 60,000, 16.00;
 from 60,000 to 80,000, 20.00;
 from 80,000 to 100,000, 24.00;
 from 100,000 to 150,000, 28.00;
 from 150,000 to 200,000, 30.00;
 from 200,000 to 300,000, 35.00;
 from 300,000 to 500,000, 40.00;
 from 500,000 to 750,000, 50.00;
 from 750,000 to 1,000,000, 60.00;
 sales over \$1,000,000, 70.00.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.—Life Insurance, annual license, \$250; Fire Insurance, annual license, \$200; Accident Insurance, annual license, \$200; Marine Insurance, annual license, \$200; Surety Insurance, annual license, \$100; Plate Glass Insurance, annual license, \$100; Domestic Mutual Insurance, license, \$50; Domestic Mutual Insurance operating in not more than two counties, annual license, \$10; Fraternal Order Insurance, annual license, \$25; Bond, Investment, Dividend, Guarantee, Registry, Title Guarantee, or Debiture Company, annual license, \$100; all other companies shall pay per year, a tax of 2½ per cent. If ¼ of company's assets are invested in North Carolina bonds, or any county, city or town bonds, or taxable property in North Carolina, on gross receipts, per year, a tax of 1 per cent. Under the same conditions the annual license tax is to be one-half of amount stated above. In the amount invested as above is ¼ of assets, then the tax on gross receipts shall be ½ per cent. Under same condition the license tax is to be ¾ of amount stated above. No tax charged on capital stock to companies paying these fees, nor any additional taxation from counties or corporations.

Dealers in Pistols, Etc.—Dealers in pistols, bowie knives, dirks, daggers, sling shots, loaded cane, or brass, iron or metallic knucks, an annual tax of \$10.

Pianos and Organs.—Every person, company or manufacturer of pianos or organs, on each brand, per year, \$10. No other tax allowed by any county, city or town.

Cigarette Dealers and Manufacturers of Cigarettes.—On manufacturers, annual output less than 250 million, \$250; between 250 million and 500 million, \$500; over 500 million, \$1,000. No other tax except Ad Valorem allowed to county, city or town. Retail dealers in cigarettes, per year, \$5. No county, city or town shall levy any tax under this section.

Public Ferries, Bridges, Etc.—On gross receipts, 1 per cent.
Purchase Tax on Liquor Dealers.—In addition to Ad Valorem and license tax, another license tax on all liquor purchased for cash or on credit, 2 per cent.
Emigrant Agents.—All persons hiring labor to go out of the State, annual tax, \$25.
Itinerant Oculist and Optician.—For each county in which he may practice, per year, \$25.
Trading Stamps.—To all persons furnishing or issuing to merchants or manufacturers trading stamps or other devices to be redeemed, each county, per year, \$50.

SCHEDULE C.
Privilege Tax on Railroad.—On gross earnings per mile of \$1,000 or less, per mile, per year, \$2; between one and two thousand dollars, \$3; between two and three thousand dollars, \$4; above \$3,000, \$5.

Express Companies, Telegraph Companies, Etc.—Express, Telegraph and Telephone Companies, on gross receipts, within the State, per year, 2 per cent if ¼ of entire assets is invested in North Carolina securities or property, taxable herein 1½ per cent; if ½ of total assets are invested in North Carolina, 1 per cent; if ¾ of total assets are in North Carolina, ¾ per cent.

Corporation Tax.—On all corporations, organized under the laws of North Carolina, or doing business here, except railroads, banks, building and loan companies and telephone companies, an annual franchise tax as follows: Capital stock of \$25,000 or less, \$5; between 25 and 50 thousand dollars, \$10; between 50 and 100 thousand dollars, \$25; between 100 and

250 thousand dollars, \$100; between 50,000 and 1,000,000, \$200; over 1,000,000 dollars, \$500. If capital stock of any land company or corporation shall not amount in actual value to ten thousand dollars, no more than \$25. These payments do not exempt from payment of license taxes of Schedule B.

Marriage License.—On each license to marry, \$1.

Tax on Officers' Seal.—For affixing seal of State, Treasury Department, or any other public offices, (not including clerks of courts, other county officers and notary publics) the party applying shall pay the following tax: For great seal of State, \$1; for State Department seal, 50c; for State Treasurer seal, 50c.

Licenses Countersigned.—Register of Deeds to be paid for all licenses recorded by him, 25c.

Carrying Out Pledges.

The Democratic legislature of North Carolina has carried out the principal pledge of the party in the last campaign to place a four months free school year, within the reach of every child in the State; by appropriating two hundred thousand dollars for that purpose in addition to the regular school

tax. One hundred thousand of this amount is to go into the regular fund and the balance is to be used to bring up the weak districts all over the State to a four months term. This will give every white boy a chance to learn to read and write by 1908 so that if any white man is disfranchised by the Constitutional Amendment after that date it will be his own fault and not the fault of the Democratic party. The legislature has also passed the act making a permanent roll of voters of the State so that every white man of the State, whether he can read and write or not, can be registered before 1908 and forever afterwards be a voter unless he disqualifies himself by committing some crime that will disqualify him. By these two acts the Democratic party is living up to their pledges and dealing honestly with the illiterate whites of the State and thereby giving the lie to the campaign speeches of the fusionists last year. No white man will ever be disfranchised in North Carolina because he cannot read and write but thousands of the illiterate irresponsible negroes will be and by reason of this government of the State will forever be in the hands of the white people.

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