

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 1906.

Up in Washington they are beginning to talk of taking a vote on the railroad rate bill. Every other phase of the measure has been pretty well thrashed out.

Criticism of board of aldermen of Concord for declining to vote an appropriation for the San Francisco sufferers does not appear to be well founded. Municipal funds are obtained by taxation. Taxes are paid under compulsion of law. Seizure of their property by the officer and its sale under the auctioneer's hammer are the threats which face those who hesitate to pay taxes. For the necessary conduct of its own business a town may lawfully employ such measures, but to invoke the power of the law to wring money from its citizens for the sake of sending a gratuity to outside communities is a performance before which all good law-abiding men may be excused for pausing. Not only were the Concord aldermen within their legal rights in voting down the motion to give away their municipal funds to an outside community, but they would have exceeded their authority had they done otherwise than vote it down.

With the nesting season of the birds at hand, it is well to remember the law against destroying the nests of song or game birds. It is a good law and should be enforced. Why should a partridge nest or a red-bird's nest, or a mockingbird's nest be broken up? It is wantonly cruel to destroy the young birds, it is also cruel to break the eggs and end the nesting of the mother-bird. When obedience to unworthy and cruel instincts leads toward extinction instead of increase of our game and song birds, it is high time the law should step in and say as it does say: It is a misdemeanor to take or needlessly destroy the nest or eggs of any of these birds. The penalty is one dollar for each nest or egg destroyed or taken. Or the offender may be imprisoned from five to ten days for each offense. We hope our readers generally will take notice of this law and do what they can to add to instead of detract from the charms of bird life in the sections where they live.

CLOSE SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Freight Office to Handle No Receipts or Deliveries After 2 O'Clock Saturday Afternoon. Gastonia, N. C., April 28, 1906. To Whom It May Concern: Effective May 1st, 1906, the Freight Dept will close for the receipt and delivery of freight on Saturdays at 2 o'clock P. M. I. P. CALDWELL, Agent of C. & N. W. Railway and of Southern Railway.

ATTENTION, DEMOCRATS!

County Executive Committee to Meet in Ball Room May 7th.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Gastonia County is hereby called to meet at the Court House in Dallas at two o'clock P. M., on Monday, May 7th, 1906, for the transaction of such business as may come before it. All members are urged to attend this meeting as matters of importance will come before the Committee at that time. This April 19th, 1906. O. F. MARSH, Chairman.

The Raleigh News and Observer says that appeals are being heard this week in the Supreme Court from the Fourth Judicial District, composed of the counties of Mecklenburg, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln and Cabarrus. There are here in attendance Messrs. J. A. Lockhart, of Wake County, O. F. Mason, of Dallas, C. W. Thayer, C. D. Bennett, R. T. Conner, J. D. McCall.

CHERRYVILLE COMMENCEMENT

Excellent Addresses by Rev. Weaver and Nixon—Dear Receipts 300—Farmers Using Guano Fresh-Fruit Crops Fairly Good.

Cherryville, April 28—The farmers of this section are about done planting. They are an energetic industrious people and are not afraid of losing money on guano. Some of them are using 300 pounds to the acre for cotton. Many of them are using it for corn.

The fruit crop bids fair to be good in this vicinity as to quantity, but the quality, as a rule, is not expected to be so good. Our farmers have yet to learn the importance of growing the best variety of fruits. If mother earth could but speak forth her long felt wants, needs and desires; those portions that are planted to orchards would cry out against their owners for their cruel treatment in that they are yearly taking her strength from her and willfully neglecting to supply her with food necessary to her sustenance. Ten trees properly planted and attended to, would be worth far more to the owner, than one hundred trees planted by digging a small hole, barely large enough to receive the roots and cover same with the mixture of poor soil and red clay, as is the custom with most people.

Were a man to judge by what he can see and hear on the streets here, no doubt, would arrive at the conclusion that the Sheriff's office is the only one that is to be feared. Look out boys, the old bay horse that now wears the harness has the blood of a good racer and should be led on the track some body is liable to get run over.

The Cherryville Graded school commencement exercises closed last night. Admittance fees were 10 cents for children and 15 for adults. The receipts of the two evenings amounted to nearly \$80.00. Friday the 27th, at 11 a. m., the Rev. Charles Weaver, D. D., President of Davenport College, Lenoir, N. C., preached the sermon. Though the auditorium was crowded, he held the audience spell-bound for 45 minutes.

At 2:30 p. m., Dr. B. F. Dixon of Raleigh, (State Auditor) was introduced by Prof. Wilson in a brief but eloquent speech. Dr. Dixon arose amid cheers from the audience and said, (when the cheering had ceased) Ladies and gentlemen, "I am glad to be with you," and ere he had ceased speaking, I can assure the doctor that the audience was as glad to have him present as he was to be with us. For the space of three-quarters of an hour he was gradually lifting his hearers to higher aspirations in education and morals.

Too Smart.

Stateville Landmark. President Roosevelt's strenuousness leads him to do some very unwise, not to say foolish, things—some-times. His action in the San Francisco disaster is the latest exhibition of smartness. The first instance was to refuse all offers of foreign aid, telling the people abroad that we didn't need their help. It is true that we are abundantly able to take care of the San Francisco people, but some of the foreigners asked the privilege of contributing anyway and were rather hurt when they were turned down. After being told we did not need their help, if they insisted on contributing the contribution should have been received as a matter of courtesy. There is never a disaster of consequence abroad that Americans do not contribute and we would probably feel offended if our kind offers were curtly turned down.

The second exhibition of smartness was to issue a proclamation directing that the collection and distribution of the funds and supplies for the sufferers be turned over to the president of the National Red Cross Society, thus completely ignoring the mayor and citizens of San Francisco, whose management of affairs had been entirely commendable, in fact remarkable under the circumstances. Along with this "order" was an intimation that the Chinese in San Francisco were not getting a square deal in the distribution. This reflection on them very naturally excited the indignation of the citizens of San Francisco and they sent Mr. Roosevelt a wire which seems to have brought him to a measure to his senses, and it is to his credit that he issued another proclamation directing that contributions be sent the mayor of San Francisco.

Mr. Roosevelt doubtless means well but he is on occasion entirely too "bigly," as the school boys used to say in describing a fellow who thought he was "it."

John Hill, a negro bootlegger in the employ of the Southern Railway company at Asheville, was run over and fatally injured at the local yards Sunday morning and died that afternoon.

MARRIAGE IN EAST GASTON.

Mr. Charley Finger Weds Miss Essie Cansler—Farmers Planting Plenty of Cotton—Cat that Wants to Write.

East Gaston, April 30—On last Tuesday the 24th, Mr. Charley Finger, of Catawba county, came down and led to the altar Miss Essie Cansler, one of the handsomest and most intelligent young ladies ever reared in our country. Miss Essie was the last of the single daughters of uncle Shooq Cansler and her many friends wish for her a happy time. This is two of East Gaston's brightest Cansler girls that the Fingers of Catawba have come down and taken away. Now we think it is time for some of our boys to go to Catawba and do for her what she has done for us.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Finger, of Catawba, came down and spent a few days with Mrs. Finger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cansler. We are sorry to note that Mrs. E. O. Davis is right sick. We hope she may soon recover.

Rev. Mr. Taber preached a very interesting sermon at River Bend last Sunday at eleven o'clock to a large congregation.

Our farmers are most through planting cotton. From what we can gather some of them have planted as largely as ever. If the farmers everywhere have done as they have, and prices go down next fall, they will be hot under the collar and holler for Abernethy and the other officers of the Cotton Association to go it and they will follow like a swarm of bees on the march for a new gum.

In Mr. R. L. Abernethy's office is a common short-tail cat, that sits on the table and has watched its master write hundreds of letters on the typewriter and then take his pen from a bottle to sign his name. This procedure has been watched so often that when the master writes a letter the cat takes the pen from the bottle and tries to do the signing. The cat has kept this up so long until she has got the pen stuck nearly eaten up with her teeth.

Mr. J. H. Bowen, with three friends from Gastonia spent a part of last Sunday at Open View. They drove over behind a pair of J. F. Davis & Son's fine horses.

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Quake City Shakes Again.

San Francisco, April 25.—An earthquake this afternoon toppled over several tottering walls and cracked chimneys, left by the severe shock of last Wednesday and the fire that followed, and killed one woman in her home. The shock was not severe, but the partly wrecked condition of walls and chimneys resulted in the upsetting of some masonry. The shock was barely perceptible in Oakland and vicinity and was not felt far from San Francisco, according to reports received to-night.

KILLED ONE WOMAN.

The earthquake to-day caused the death of Mrs. Annie Whitaker, aged 25 years. Mrs. Whitaker was at work in the kitchen of her home on Shotwell street in the Mission district when the shock came. The chimney, which had been left in a tottering condition by the heavy earthquake last Wednesday, crashed through the roof on the woman and fractured her skull. Her body was taken to the morgue at Portsmouth Square and buried an hour later at Laurel Hill cemetery.

State Insurance Commissioner Young desires to know the names of all persons in this State who have claims against the Equity Life Association, of Staunton, Va. He wishes to protect North Carolinians holding claims.

REV. PLATO DURHAM MARRIED.

The Bride is Miss Lucy Cole of Rockingham, N. C.

An event of much interest was the marriage of Miss Lucy Cole last night to Rev. Plato T. Durham, pastor of the Trinity Methodist church of this city, which took place at the Rockingham Methodist church at 8 o'clock. Miss Mary Cole, sister of the bride was maid of honor, and W. T. Dixon, of Raleigh, brother of the groom was best man.

The wedding was very pretty and the church decorations added much to the beauty of the event. Ferns and dogwood blossoms were here and there, a bank of which nearly concealed the choir which sang Lohengrin's bridal chorus prior to the entrance of the bridal party.

The ushers, Messrs. S. J. Duhaup, J. C. McNeill, John Everett and T. C. Lee, Jr., led the bridal procession and they were followed by Misses Alice Cole, Minnie Little, Susie Russell, Lilly Dockery, Annie Leak Ledbetter and Emma Gray Ledbetter, who were the flower girls. They carried baskets of fragrant flowers which were strewn along the aisle way in the path of the bride. Miss Lucy Cobb, proceeded the bride who entered on the arm of her father Rev. J. N. Cole. The couple left for the North soon after the marriage.

A Switch Tower Installed at Barber.

Salisbury Special to Charlotte Observer. At Barber the Southern Railway, under the direction of J. E. Gregory, of New York, is installing an interlocking switch tower, the only one in this section of the State. Barber is in an important switch yard, where two roads juncture and 16 switches are connected by the tower. The watchman sits at his post and manipulates the whole yard. The structure is not finished but will be ready for use in a few days. Mr. Gregory has put a number of these in Virginia but this is his first work in Carolina.

Looking Fine In a Spring Hat

Since there was dew in the morning and hawthorn in May, men have aspired to look their best in the Springtime. Can't expect to do it with a winter hat when everything else is springlike. New Spring shapes and shades—soft or stiff hats—Panamas or Straws. Come in—you'll find just what you want.



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