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UNFAVORABLY REPORTED.

The Bill Having for Its End the Improvement of Our Streets and Electric Lighting System, Graded Schools and the Establishing of Water Works and Sewerage Meets a Waterloo.

The bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Lexington is dead.

It came up before the committee on counties, cities and towns, and was duly considered.

Upon the representation of the opposing element of this city—whose counsel was Capt. S. E. Williams, the bill was almost unanimously unfavorably reported.

The representation which was made to the committee by the opposition was that there had been an agreement entered into between the mayor, the town commissioners and the Wennonah Cotton mill, that the latter should remain without our city limits free of municipal taxation for a period of twenty years from the date of the agreement.

At the time of this alleged agreement the mayor of Lexington was Mr. M. H. Pinnix and the commissioners consisted of the following gentlemen: Messrs. T. C. Ford, J. L. Clement, John Laydon, G. W. Harris and J. N. Mendenhall. All of them are dead with the exception of Mr. Mendenhall, of the American Furniture Company. The tenure of their office was in 1897.

Mr. Mendenhall states that if there was ever such an agreement entered into between the parties above referred to, he has no knowledge of the fact.

Hon. John H. Moyer, present Mayor of Lexington, has searched the records and states that he finds nothing indicating that such a compact was ever formed between the town authorities and the Wennonah mills.

Squire W. P. Redwine.

'Squire W. P. Redwine, of Healing Springs, was a very welcome guest in the Dispatch office last Thursday. He is one Davidson county's staunchest citizens and a good Democrat. While here 'Squire Redwine chatted very entertainingly on the questions now before the people and on which the Legislature is at present acting. He is emphatically in favor of the bill for the codification of the laws, which he says should be passed without further ado, as justices of the peace and everybody else, except experienced lawyers, are in ignorance of the laws of their State, which should be simple and in a nutshell.

Justice Redwine is one of the county's most intelligent and incorrupt magistrates. He is the father of our townsman, Mr. J. D. Redwine, of the Lexington Hardware Co.

For the Cemetery.

Mayor John H. Moyer informs us that the nice iron fence recently purchased for the Lexington Cemetery, has arrived. There will be two large gates—one arch gate at entry and a driver gate at northeast corner. The fence will be put up immediately. It is a most praise worthy movement on the part of our town authorities.

Mr. Allen Everhart went to Charlotte last Friday to have his eyes treated by a specialist.

Masonic.

Lexington Lodge No. 473, A. F. & A. M., will meet Friday March 18, 1903, at 7.30 o'clock. Work in third degree. Brethren will meet promptly.

Visitors are cordially invited.

TO INCORPORATE CHURCHLAND.

S. E. Williams at Work for the Distillers—Rev. W. A. Smith on the Ground.

Hon. S. E. Williams, of this city, is in Raleigh for the purpose of securing a charter for the city of Churchland, located in Boone township. The officers named in the charter are Mayor, L. F. Snider; Commissioners, Alfred Leonard, W. L. Simmerman, E. E. Walser.

The proposed incorporation is for the benefit of the distilleries of Clay Grubb and W. D. Simmerman.

Rev. W. A. Smith, pastor of Lexington Baptist Church, is in Raleigh fighting the incorporation of these distilleries, and will very probably win.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

In Session Monday and Tuesday. Business Transacted.

The Board of County Commissioners were in session this week, the session beginning Monday and continuing until Tuesday afternoon.

The contract for the construction of the vault for the court house was confirmed, and Mr. W. L. Harbin has the job. Work will be begun at once.

The contract to build a bridge across Hunt's Fork, near J. W. Veach's, in Thomasville township, was let to Mr. Walter Kennedy.

A petition was presented to the Board asking that a public road be established at a point near Solomon Snider's in Emmons township, intersecting the Lexington and Asheboro road at M. W. Tysinger's in Silver Hill township. No action has yet been taken on the petition.

The usual claims to paupers and other dependants were allowed.



HON. ROBERT N. PAGE,

Our representative in the next Congress.

MOCKSVILLE SAFE CRACKERS.

Arraigned at Charlotte Monday—Hearing Next Tuesday.

The four alleged safe-crackers and postoffice robbers, James Long, Walter Wood, Charler Rogers, and H. B. Wilson, whose crossing the Yadkin into Davidson and whose subsequent capture at Monroe was reported in the Dispatch some weeks since, were carried to Charlotte before U. S. Commissioner D. G. Maxwell Monday, who committed them to jail in default of a \$10,000 bond each.

As the men claimed they were not ready for trial, Commissioner Maxwell set the preliminary hearing for next Tuesday, the 10th inst.

Detective M. B. Tobin, of the Pinkerton Detective Agency, has been employed by the American Bankers' Association, and has worked up the case of the attempted safe-blowing at Mocksville in January. He says that he had enough evidence to convict the men of the robbery at Mocksville. He is confident these men belong to a regular organized band and that they are responsible for all of the late robberies and safe cracking in this part of the State.

You can buy a \$10 Suit for \$7 at Penry's.

DAVIDSON SUPERIOR COURT.

State Docket Finished Today—Cases Disposed of—Jason Lindsay, the Alleged Train Wrecker, Acquitted.

The Spring term of Davidson Superior court is yet in session. The State docket was only finished today.

One of the most important cases disposed of since the last issue of The Dispatch is State v Lee Myers, charged with the larceny of goods of some of the students at Yadkin College. He was found guilty. Judge McNeill has not yet fixed his sentence.

Another case which has attracted a good deal of attention was the case against Jason Lindsay,



JUDGE T. A. MCNEILL,

who is presiding at Spring term Davidson Superior court.

the negro charged with wrecking No. 35, the southbound fast mail at Thomasville during January. He was acquitted yesterday. Two days were consumed in his trial. A prominent lawyer informed us that he had no doubt of the negro's guilt, but that the evidence was not sufficient to satisfy the jury beyond a reasonable doubt.

The proceedings since our last report are as follows:

State v Kirt Thomas, larceny; guilty.

State v Albert Yokely, false pretense; not guilty.

State v John Michael, a. w. d. w.; not guilty.

State v Ed Embler, nuisance; mistrial.

State v Thos. L. Jordan, a. w. d. w., guilty; \$25 and cost.

State v Geo. M. Bailey, a. and b., guilty; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State v Jeff Myers, a. w. d. w., pleads guilty; six months on roads.

State v Earnest Kendall; not guilty.

State v Jeff Myers, slander; mistrial.

State v Albert Parks, cutting trees on the lands of S. J. Finch; not guilty.

State v Lee Myers, larceny and receiving; guilty 12 months on roads.

State v Jason Lindsay and Sylvester Davis, gambling; not guilty.

State v Jeeze Smith, larceny; not guilty.

State v Kirt Thomas, larceny; same case as above; new trial. guilty; 6 months on roads.

State v Chas. Lookbill, retailing, pleads guilty; \$10 and cost.

Dan Miller, larceny; pleads guilty.

State v Daisy Wright, a. w. d. w., pleads guilty; six months in jail with leave to hire out.

Mrs. Martha O. Gallimore Dead.

Mrs. Martha O. Gallimore died Sunday morning at her home in Silver Hill township. She was aged 45 and leaves a husband and five children. The cause of her death was rheumatism. The interment took place Monday at Tom's Creek graveyard at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Mrs. Gallimore was a sister of Mr. H. P. Gallimore, of Lexington.

Going to Build.

We understand that Mr. Jno. T. Lowe, of Thomasville, will soon have under erection on his lot on North Main street a very handsome residence. We have always taken John to be a progressive young man but we are forced to believe there is a deeper motive than that of progress in this movement.

PIEDMONT POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

Organized Monday Night—Election of Officers.

The Piedmont Poultry Association was organized in Lexington Monday night at the store of Mr. A. C. Harris. A large number of the chicken cranks of the city were present and much interest and enthusiasm were displayed at the first meeting.

Mr. A. L. Smith was called to the chair, and Mr. T. F. Grimes made secretary. Several interesting discussions followed in which the object of the meeting was stated and the pleasure and the profit of fancy fowl breeding, the purpose and the character of poultry fairs, etc., were among the topics discussed.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers as follows: President, R. L. Simmons; vice presidents, A. L. Smith, H. J. Berrier and B. F. Ausband; secretary and treasurer, Thos. F. Grimes; superintendent, Thos. S. Eanes; assistant superintendent, A. F. Stewart; executive committee, S. W. Finch, chairman, A. C. Harris, F. L. Hedrick, J. W. Earnhardt, W. Lee Harbin, F. R. Loftin, C. C. Leonard, H. B. Varner, Chas. E. McCrary, Ed. Rothrock, T. F. Grimes, R. L. Simmons.

A committee on constitution and by-laws was appointed by the president as follows: T. J. Grimes, B. F. Ausband, A. L. Smith, S. W. Finch.

A committee to solicit members to the association was also appointed as follows: Thos. F. Grimes, A. L. Smith, A. C. Harris, B. F. Ausband, A. F. Stewart, Walter Craver, Thos. Eanes and H. J. Berrier.

The membership fee was fixed at \$1 a year.

The next meeting of the association will be held March 12th, at 8 o'clock p. m.



HON. F. M. SIMMONS,

North Carolina's peerless Senator from the East.

Friedburg News.

Friedburg, March 1.—Last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Eli Sides celebrated their golden wedding. They are highly respected citizens of Forsyth county. We wish them another fifty years of health and joy.

Mr. J. D. Fishel, of Arcadia, killed a nice hog which weighed 500 pounds.

The whooping cough which has been prevailing in this section has about died out.

The Hopewell public school, taught by Mr. R. F. Weisner, will close next Saturday. He is a good teacher.

Miss Morgan, of Winston, is the guest of Miss Ella Foly.

Mr. T. R. Anderson is on the sick list. We wish him a speedy recovery.

The pretty weather of last week set the farmers plowing.

The March winds came before March did. One of those fierce winds visited this section yesterday.

Mr. H. R. Hegel has gone to Arcadia to school.

Hurrah for the wedding bells. Walter Delap, of Reedy, to Miss Lizzie Wilson, of Arcadia. We heartily congratulate them.

There will be a public exhibition at Oak Grove Saturday.

Mr. T. T. Speigh is attending Davidson court.

The school at Chestnut Grove has begun. The house was destroyed by fire last winter and has just been rebuilt.

"TEDDY."

EXTRA SESSION.

The Senate Called to Convene Tomorrow.

The president Monday issued the following proclamation:

By the president of the United States of America:

Whereas, public interests require the Senate should convene in extraordinary session, therefore,

I, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim and declare that an extraordinary occasion requires the Senate of the United States to convene at the capitol, in the city of Washington, on the fifth day of March next, at 12 o'clock noon, at which all persons who shall at that time be entitled to act as members of that body are hereby required to take notice.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States, Washington, the second day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and three, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-seventh.

(Signed)

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

By the president.

JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.

If the present Congress adjourns without taking final action on the Philippine tariff bill, it is quite possible that the president may decide to call both House and Senate in extra session.



HON. LEE S. OVERMAN,

who will take his seat in the new Congress tomorrow.

A MAGNIFICENT TRAIN.

J. Pierpont Morgan and Party Pass Through.

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, the railroad magnate, financier and multi-millionaire, passed through Lexington last Thursday morning very early. His equipage consisted of a train of six magnificent palace cars, fitted up in regal style. There was the Grand Isle, occupied by Morgan himself; a splendid car of the lake Shore & Michigan brand for Mrs. Morgan and attendants, and the Arcadia, the Antioch, the Schuykill and the Campania for the other members of the magnate's party.

"Give the Morgan special the right of way" was flashed over the wires, and ever passenger train and every freight had to get on the siding when the elegant train approached.

In preparation for Morgan's coming station agents over all routes were required to personally inspect all switches and yards. Along the whole distance there were stationed relief engines, while six extra engineers rode on the special, timed for instant service. The Charlotte Observer says that when the train arrived at Charlotte at 8:05 A. M., it was met by ten train crews.

Such is the princely style in which the greatest financier in the world travels.

Mr. Morgan and friends were en route to Tampa, Fla., where they embarked for Cuba. The object of the visit there is not known, but it is rumored that Cuban railways will be invested in.

The school will close at Happy Hill school house, Saturday, March the 14th, with a public exhibition. Micheal String Band will furnish the music. Everybody is invited.

Bain Items.

Bain, March 2.—Mr. W. K. Nance, of Thomasville, spent some days here last week visiting his family.

Mrs. Ira Lomax is on the sick list, we are sorry to note.

Mr. M. P. Hopkins attended court at Lexington last week.

Mrs. W. D. Smith and Mrs. E. L. Ferrell visited Mrs. Amos Clodfelter last Wednesday.

Mr. A. C. Burkhead, of Randolph county, has moved in our midst, we are glad to note.

Mr. J. M. Clodfelter, of Eldorado, Montgomery county, and Mrs. A. B. Hanner, widow of A. B. Hanner, deceased, of Milledgeville, were married on the 15th of last month, H. Saunders, J. P., officiating.

THE LEGISLATURE.

But Three More Days of the Session—The Proposed Bond Issue—The Audubon Bill Passes.

But three more days and the North Carolina Legislature of 1903 will have passed into history.

The body is deluged with bills now, and is rushing to get through by Saturday night.

The important legislation being considered at present is the revenue bill and the proposed bond issue.

The house Finance Committee yesterday afternoon, after two day's discussion, upon motion of Mr. Ricks, of Nash, appointed a committee of five to draft a bill to provide for the \$300,000 deficit in the State Treasury and to pay the \$100,000 now due for public schools, said \$100,000 having been appropriated by the General Assembly of 1901. The committee, which Mr. Ricks named in his motion, was composed of Governor Doughton, General Davidson, Judge Graham, Mr. Blount, of Washington, and Mr. Smith, of Gates.

That committee met at once and after long consideration decided to offer a bill embodying these two provisions:

1. To authorize the State Treasurer to issue \$300,000 in three per cent ten-year State bonds, to pay the deficit due to appropriations made in 1901 for which there are no funds in the Treasury.

2. To borrow \$100,000 from the Permanent School Fund, payable January 1st, 1906, said loan to be paid with a bond of the State of North Carolina, bearing three per cent interest.

The Audubon bill, which is a measure to incorporate the Audubon Society of North Carolina and to protect the song and game birds of the State, has been passed.

Another important measure enacted by the Assembly is a bill creating a commission to recodify the laws.

The following bills were introduced in the House yesterday:

Scott, of Alamance: To enable the Department of Agriculture to erect and equip an Agricultural Building at the A. and M. College.

Murphey, of Rowan: To incorporate the Salisbury Railroad Company.

Murphey: To regulate the sale of substitutes for butter in North Carolina.

Thomas, of Ashe: For the relief of certain disabled ex-Confederate soldiers.

MacCall, of Davidson: To amend the charter of Lexington, extending its corporate limits.

Death of Roby Cross.

Mr. Roby Cross died at his home in West Lexington Tuesday morning at 10:20 o'clock of pneumonia after an illness of only six days. Deceased was born in lower Davidson nearly sixty years ago. Had been a member of the Methodist Protestant Church for 40 years. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss.

He will be buried at Mt. Carmel near Thomasville Wednesday afternoon. Rev. J. D. Arnold will conduct the funeral services at the home at eight o'clock Wednesday morning.

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