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GREAT FAIR NEXT FALL.

Agricultural Association has a Fine Meeting—New Officers Elected—Other Matters.

The Davidson County Agricultural Association met Saturday at the court house, following a long session of the Farmers' Union. The meeting was interesting from the beginning and several matters of importance were attended to. The meeting was well attended and there was evident intention on the part of those present to enlist the interest and co-operation of others and the attendance at the meetings is expected to grow.

The first matter attended to was the election of officers. Mr. W. G. Fitzgerald opened this part of the proceedings by nominating himself as president. Mr. Wilson protested strenuously, but to no avail. He even went so far as to nominate Mr. J. C. Rippe for the place, but Mr. Rippe refused to accept, declaring that Wilson was not qualified for the place.

Mr. J. C. Rippe, vice president of the association, also found his labors approved by the association and he was unanimously re-elected. Mr. Grover C. Palmer, secretary, was re-elected to that position and a new office was added—that of corresponding secretary and Mr. H. B. Varner was elected to it. The correspondence of the association and attend to other matters of the kind.

An executive committee was named composed of the following, all of whom are prominent farmers and leaders in their communities: John D. Grimes, Lexington; H. J. Conrad, Thomasville; T. M. Sheets, Lexington; route 6; R. K. Williams, Linwood; route 3; Charles H. Fritts, Lexington; route 3; H. M. Skenen, Denton; route 1; C. L. Bacon, Jackson Hill; P. E. Davis, Kernersville; route 1; M. M. Swing, Lexington; route 2; Frank Hudson, Clemmons; route 2; W. S. Anderson, Silver Hill; route 1; J. L. Doby, Jackson Hill; John S. Hege, Lexington; route 4; L. E. Rippe, Lexington; route 4.

Every township in the county is represented by the above-named committee and every member is a "live wire." On motion, the thanks of the association were extended to the old board of county commissioners for their appropriation for the men's corn contest inaugurated by the association with their encouragement and generous support. Without the aid of the board it would have been impossible for the contest to have been the success that it was and since it has been shown that the contest increased the corn yield of the county more than 30,000 bushels, it can be seen readily that the expenditure was well worth while and brought ample returns.

LEXINGTON CHAIR COMPANY.

New Company Incorporated and Ready to Begin Business—Authorized Capital \$50,000.

It is announced that the plant of the Onida Chair Company, which has lain idle for several months, has been sold to a new company and will be in operation again in the very near future. The new company, which was organized a few weeks ago, is composed of the following well-known business men: Mr. George L. Hackney, of Asheville, who is the principal stockholder; Mr. F. S. Lambeth, the well-known manufacturer, of Thomasville; Mr. W. E. Holt, Jr., of Lexington; Mr. M. Weaver, of Asheville; Mr. George W. Montcastle, president of the Bank of Lexington.

The authorized capital stock is \$50,000 with \$25,000 paid in. The company will employ about 75 men at the beginning and will increase its force as it gets under way. If there is no hitch in the arrangements the factory will open February 1.

Mr. George L. Hackney, the leading stockholder, is a prominent citizen of Asheville, interested in several important enterprises in that mountain metropolis and a man of character and influence. It is understood that he is to become a citizen of Lexington and will have active charge of the management of the Lexington Chair Company. He is past grandmaster of the Knights of Pythias and a prominent member of the Methodist church and he will be a most valuable addition to the town.

Tenth Anniversary of the First Reformed Church. Next Sunday, January 22, the 10th anniversary of the organization of the First Reformed church of Lexington will be celebrated with appropriate and interesting services. This date will mark also the 10th anniversary of the pastorate of Dr. Leonard in this church. The church has had a prosperous and successful decade of history, started with 17 members ten years ago, and now it has a membership of over 250.

Then the Board of Missions supported the pastor; now the church supports its own pastor. This church has contributed much to the moral and spiritual upbuilding of the town in the ten years, and all Christians, regardless of denomination, are proud of the First Reformed church. The order of exercises next Sunday will be as follows: The Sunday school session will be held at 9:45 o'clock. It is desired that all the scholars be present. At 11 o'clock Dr. Leonard will preach the 10th anniversary sermon on the subject, "The Little flock." At 3 o'clock in the afternoon a popular service will be held when ten-minute addresses will be delivered as follows:

1. Ten Years in the Pulpit—Rev. V. J. Bonzer. 2. Ten Years in the Pews—Rev. J. T. Jenkins. 3. Ten Years in the City—Rev. W. T. Thompson. 4. The Minister's Obligation to the People—Rev. A. L. Stanford. 5. The People's Obligation to the Minister—Rev. W. Beck. At night Rev. M. M. Noecker, of China Grove, will preach on the subject, "The Forward Look." Special music will characterize all the services. The people are cordially invited to attend all these services.

Mr. John W. Cole, who has been practicing law in Lexington since June 1910, has accepted a position with Bradstreet in Charlotte, as assistant superintendent of that office and attorney for the company. Mr. Cole will be greatly missed in Lexington but the new field offers large returns for his labor and plenty of room for growth and advancement. The salary attached to the place is a good one and will increase as he grows accustomed to the work. Mr. Cole was born and reared in Davidson county. He made the race for representative on the republican ticket last year but was lost by a few votes; he made many friends in all parts of the county, all of whom will wish him well in his new venture. He is a hard-worker, faithful and conscientious and he will not only make Bradstreet a good man but he will make Charlotte a good citizen. The Dispatch wishes him well in his new work and expects him to succeed.

along the Southbound and will stop at every station along that road in the county, and addresses will be made by the experts in charge on corn culture, wheat and tobacco growing, seed selection, cattle raising, poultry raising, etc. Attention was called to the stump-blasting and subsoiling demonstration that is to be given here in the near future by the Dupont Powder Company. This was arranged for by the association and The Dispatch and will be very interesting. The stump-blasting will be done on the land of the Park Land Company on Second avenue. The sub-soiling demonstration will take place on the Grimes farm at the edge of town. Every farmer in the county is urged to be present on that day and see this new method of digging stumps and plowing land with dynamite. It will take place February 15.

AN UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY.

Agricultural Contest Arouses More Than Ordinary Interest—Plenty of Time to Enter.

The contest has started off with a whoop. Everybody is interested and more than a score of farmers will enter this week and next. There is still plenty of time to get in the game, for the game is young. It is not wise to put it off too long but there is still time and some to spare and we want to see every good farmer in the contest. Last week we laid special stress on our desire to have men enter the contest who are capable of absorbing information and bringing it back to their friends and neighbors who were not so fortunate as to win the trip or who were apathetic and indifferent. We still want to urge upon farmers of intelligence, the fact that they can do themselves and their neighbors a great deal of good by entering the contest. The new contest of the State Dispatch party has reached Charlotte and both of the leading papers of that city have assured us that a warm welcome is awaiting our guests. The Charlotte farmers and they do say that there are many fine farms within the corporate limits of the State's leading city and the leading farmers of the county of Mecklenburg, will do all they can to make the day a success. Maj. W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture of the state of North Carolina, has notified The Dispatch that he will be present and will spend the entire day with The Dispatch party. He will make a speech to our guests and will go with them over the great Selwyn farm, showing them its many advantages and explaining everything that needs explanation.

The list of prizes published elsewhere is an unusual one. No one ever saw prizes of the value here offered put up in a contest of this kind. There will be others added, but if we offered no more than those listed on the second page of the paper today, there would still be enough to interest every farmer that is alive in his own county. The prizes are worth your time and effort. They range in value from \$14 to \$125. Read over the list again and see how it strikes you. Your popularity, perhaps, has not been tested and it is a fine time to jump right into the contest and find out what your neighbors really think about you. If you stand well with them and if you have energy enough to hustle a little it ought to be easy for you to make a place for yourself in this contest. It is not hard to convince any man, or woman, that The Dispatch is the greatest weekly paper in the state, and you can't rest until you are in the welfare of every man, woman and child in Davidson county and it is not at all like asking people to subscribe for a paper that they know nothing about.

Don't forget that the Progressive Farmer offer will continue during the life of the contest, and that you can offer every man not now a subscriber of the Progressive Farmer, both papers one year for one dollar. The Progressive Farmer is the greatest farm paper in the world and it comes every week—fifty-two times a year and its regular price is one dollar per year. Now for one dollar, you can offer both papers for a year—104 issues. The offer is unprecedented. Nobody ever heard of such a thing. Don't procrastinate. Get in while the game is still young and be one of the big Dispatch party that will tour the macadam roads of Mecklenburg in automobiles, see the wonders of the Selwyn farm and dine in state at the great Selwyn Hotel.

ABBOTT'S CREEK.

- G. W. Clineard 400
W. P. Steed 70
A. C. W. Clineard 400
A. A. Davis 400
C. M. Wall 400
C. G. Spoolman 245

ALLEGHANY.

- J. L. Doby 90
W. P. Steed 70
E. L. Surratt 60
C. S. Varner 40

ARCADIA.

- J. C. Rippe 400
W. M. Zimmerman 400
C. E. Snider 35

BOONE.

- James Beall 1,235
J. H. W. Wilson 1,055
R. K. Williams 400
Grady Wilson 60

CONRAD HILL.

- Ivey Thomas 5,355
John H. Crofts 2,145
Jacob Beck 850
Eli Younts 800
Cornelius Bryson 800
M. M. Swing 465
Rev. James F. Deal 400
P. D. Finch 400

COTTON GROVE.

- C. W. Smith 815
G. A. Trantham 460
Walter You 400
John L. Miller 400
Z. T. Sharpe 40
R. B. Sheets 20

EMMONS.

- J. O. Garner 4,945
Phillip Garner 1,355
N. W. Lanier 400
H. H. Prevo 400
N. D. A. Leach 400
W. L. Ward 200
John W. Sauer 45
John T. Skenen 45
A. J. Beck 25

HAMPTON.

- Frank Hudson 45
C. T. Nelson 35
N. R. Kinney 1,900
W. A. Reid 400
S. A. Lanier 70
C. L. Badgett 50

HEALING SPRINGS.

- Lewis Rogers 390
C. G. Doby 80
Elwood Gallimore 80
Walter B. Anderson 20

LEXINGTON.

- J. A. Gobble 2,685
H. M. Beck 1,985
E. C. Conrad 1,345
W. C. Wilson 445

BARACA AND PHILATHEA RALLY.

Mr. Luther M. Tesh Delivers Strong Address at the Methodist Church to Large Audience.

The Baracas and Philatheas of Lexington enjoyed a treat Friday night in the lecture of Mr. Luther M. Tesh, field secretary of the World Wide Baraca Union. Mr. Tesh is not what one would call a great speaker. He was introduced as a native of Davidson county, hailing from Arcadia township, but he has lived among the good people of the north and west until he has acquired the Yankee nasal twang and many of their mannerisms. For instance, he would say "claps" and "can't" if the "a" in each case had the sound of "ah." Everybody who knows anything about it, knows that a pronunciation of that variety is not Arcadian, to say the least of it, and it is not the Tar Heel way of saying it either. Occasionally, Mr. Tesh would refer to the subject and "show his raising" and his address would take on the real Arcadian flavor. It is safe to say, however, that Arcadia township would not have been ashamed to claim Mr. Tesh as her son, despite the fact that he has wandered away from the lingo of his fathers. There was special music by the combined choirs of the Methodist and Baptist churches and in conclusion Mrs. W. G. Penry and Miss Arline Trice sang a duet which was much enjoyed. Mr. Tesh was introduced by Mr. John Raynham McCrary in a few appropriate words.

Mr. Tesh preached the gospel of work. For more than an hour he succeeded in holding the attention of his audience as he described the phenomenal growth of the great Baraca movement. The speaker quoted from the Bible and the history of the world to show that the Sunday school is the greatest force in America for the development of character. The significant fact was brought out that ninety-five per cent. of all ministers, church workers and missionaries come direct from the Sunday school. The speaker exhorted all of our church members, thus showing the great possibility of the Sunday school.

Mr. Tesh declared that the Baraca movement had been a factor in bringing about these results. It was founded on the three principles of "Win them to the class, win them to Christ, and put them to work," said the speaker, "the movement has grown from one class, organized at Syracuse, N. Y., by Marshall A. Hudson, October 10, 1890, to more than 2,700, with a combined membership of 500,000, which includes the Philatheas classes for young ladies, which is run on the same principles as the Baraca." After showing the significance of the name, pin, platform and motto used throughout the world, the practical working of the class was taken up. Mr. Tesh described the methods used by the classes, which are connected with, showing how to approach the young man on the street, invite him to the class, leave with him a notice invitation card, write him a letter on Friday, call him over the phone on Saturday and go by and bring him to the class on Sunday.

The work of the class committees was explained by giving a synopsis of their reports before the class on Sunday. The committees are the hustlers, membership, relief and social—the first two to encourage good attendance and use every method to secure new members, as well as hold what they have. The relief committee is to help the members to get employment, good home in which to live and many other things that would be of real value. A good social committee, the speaker declared, would help the social life of the young people to center around the church. The statement was forcibly made that "our young people are going to be entertained, and if the church of God does not furnish that entertainment the devil will win."

In describing the teaching of the lesson, the speaker stated that what young people need most is something to do that will help them live the religion they profess as well as in contact with men and women in the shops, factories and on the streets. After describing the work of developing the young man mentally, physically and spiritually, during the week, Mr. Tesh closed his address by encouraging his hearers to do active Christian work by winning their fellow men and women to Christ one by one. He stated that in one class there had been 352 conversions in eighteen years, and in the Philatheas class in the same church, more than 150, the membership of the church increased from 350 in 1890 to 1,151 in 1908.

Mr. Tesh was a traveling salesman up to October, 1905, and since that time has covered over 20,000 miles in the interest of this movement. Albemarle Graters Caught. Last week the story went abroad that Messrs. Sibley and Masters who had been exploiting Albemarle, N. C., had been arrested by post office inspectors for using the mails to defraud people. An associated press dispatch from Jackson, Miss., Sunday, has the following to say of the case: In default of bail in the sum of \$5,000 each, L. C. Sibley and H. C. Masters, who were arrested here on charges of using the mails with intent to defraud in connection with the promotion of a concern known as the Albemarle Development company, were remanded to jail here today to await orders of Federal Judge Niles for transfer of the case to the jurisdiction of the United States court for the western district of North Carolina.

Postoffice Inspector J. W. Bulla, of North Carolina, had presented documentary evidence in support of the contention that the development company was being promoted in a manner fraudulent. Inspector Bulla testified that on an investment of \$1,000 for 100 acres of land near Albemarle the promoters had realized about \$250,000. It was stated that Sibley had been connected with the operation of a similar scheme at Whiteboro, Tex., about five years ago.

Mr. Julius Weaver, aged 19 years, a son of Mr. George Weaver, died Monday at his home near the Westonah. The burial took place at Good Hope yesterday, funeral services being conducted by Dr. J. C. Leonard. Mrs. Henderson Fine, died, last Thursday at her home in Silver Hill township. The burial was at Beck's on the 13th. Deceased was about 84 years of age.

The Chapel Hill News says Constable H. M. Williams shot a mad calf, belonging to Mr. Pink Henderson, which was valuable. The calf was bitten by a mad dog about two weeks ago.

DEMONSTRATION A SUCCESS.

Farmers Enthusiastic Over New Way of Moving Stumps and Breaking Subsoil.

The stump-blasting and subsoiling demonstration advertised for Southmont Monday was pulled off in grand style and there were over two hundred farmers present to witness it. It took place on the property of the Southmont Improvement organization and was in charge of Mr. J. K. McCabe, division manager of the Dupont Powder Company and Mr. H. W. Horton, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., one of a company's trained technical experts. The farmers were enthusiastic. They had never witnessed anything of the kind before and it was revelation to them. They found that dynamite easily lifted out of the earth the largest of stumps and did it all at a small cost. Two of the stumps removed by the dynamite route were three feet in diameter and they were torn from their stumps as easily as if they had been so much loose earth. The sub-soiling demonstration was even more interesting. Those who had been reading of the new method of sub-soiling expected to see the surface of the earth torn up, the top soil lifted and the subsoil exposed. In fact, the top soil and top soil indiscriminately mixed. In this they were disappointed. Mr. McCabe and Mr. Horton went about the work of preparing for the demonstration in a totally unexpected way. Holes were drilled in the earth, three feet deep and about fifteen feet apart, laid of squares, and in each hole a half stick of dynamite was placed. It was found that the discharge broke the soil in all directions to a depth of four or five feet. The top soil was slightly lifted, the subsoil thoroughly broken, but the hard clay of the sub-soil was not mixed with the top soil at all. This, the experts explained, was the "beauty" of the new method of sub-soiling. It broke the land deeper than any other means could break it, furnished a porous foundation for the top soil that would retain moisture even in the driest weather and it really has no objectionable features. There is slight danger in handling the dynamite, but Mr. Horton clearly demonstrated the fact that any farmer using a little judgment and care, can shoot stumps and soil as well as he did and with as much safety.

Both Mr. McCabe and Mr. Horton are very pleasant gentlemen, courteous and patient and seemed to take pleasure in answering any and all kinds of questions as to their work. They made a good impression and also made friends for their company. The demonstration at Lexington, as announced elsewhere, will take place February 16, instead of being spread into one short afternoon, the demonstration here will be an all-day affair. The stump-blasting will take place in the morning and the subsoiling in the afternoon. Everybody in the county, farmer, merchant, business man, men and women—everybody is invited—and the show will be worth while. This is the very latest "wrinkle" in up-to-date farming methods and it will be a revelation to many.

Emmons Good Roads Association.

The Farmers Good Roads and Agricultural Association of Emmons township was organized at Cedar Springs school house on last Saturday night. There was a good attendance and the following officers were named: H. M. Skenen, President; J. O. Garner, Vice President; C. K. Russell, Secretary; Joe Crouse, assistant secretary; Shuford Traylor, treasurer. The following committee on constitution and by-laws were named: Jno. Skenen, J. O. Garner, C. R. Russell. Meeting was called to order by the President and J. O. Garner, of Denton, was introduced as first speaker, his subject being "Good Roads." His speech was full of interest giving many illustrations and figures and was received with much enthusiasm. Mr. N. H. Prevo followed on agricultural subjects and several others were made by the farmers present and all were very interesting.

The Population of Lexington.

A telegram from E. Dana Durand, director of the census, received Monday brings the information that Lexington has 4,163 people, against 1234 in 1900. The seventh census, taken in 1890, gave the town a population of 1,440 people but owing to the panic there was a loss of 206 people between 1890 and 1896. Since 1900 the population of the town has grown steadily and while the figures announced do not come up to expectations, it is a very respectable showing. Two of our mill villages are outside the corporate limits and other industries are on the outside. These good people are as much citizens of Lexington as are those living on Main street and if they had been counted, Lexington would have had a population of fully 5,500 to her credit. As it is, the gain is 2,723 and we have more than three times the number of people we had in 1900 and this is a mighty fine showing.

Every good citizen of Lexington and Davidson county will rejoice in the showing made by Thomasville, the "Charm City." Ten years ago it was a village of 751 people. Today it is a thriving little city of 3,877. This is indeed a record to be proud of.

Business News Notes.

Smoke up. If you haven't the pipe, take a look at the pipes in the window of J. B. Smith's drug store. Cabbage plants—seed corn and potatoes. Time to begin thinking about them. Read the ad of W. L. Kivett, of High Point. Charles R. Thomas, the Thomasville druggist, offers a \$40 bicycle in this issue of The Dispatch to the boy or girl who hustles best. Read his offer. W. G. Ponry will sell all of his overalls and boys' clothing and also ladies suits and coats at a discount of 20 per cent during the next 15 days. Read his ad. Little Housemaid says "have a nice party for her and yourself." Special odds piece at the Davidson Furniture Company. Another lot sale at Thomasville. No town in the state is growing as rapidly as the Chair City. Read the advertisement of Penny Brothers, the auctioneers, and get wise to the location of paying investments. Thomasville Holloway's church in Silver Hill township. A squad from the Lexington Rifles under Lieutenant R. F. Chetty, accompanied the funeral party and Rev. A. L. Stanford conducted the services. The Odd Fellows, following a brief talk by Mr. Stanford at the grave, took charge of the burial and after they were through with their part of it, the military company took charge. The regulation salute was fired over his grave and "Taps" was sounded. Kinston and Greenville are rejoicing in permanent charitable organization and Gastonia is considering the matter.

Business in Salisbury.

H. Miller, conducting a clothing business in Salisbury, assigned Saturday. His liabilities are said to be \$18,000 with about \$15,000 assets.

MEETING AT HOLLY GROVE.

Good Roads and Agricultural Association Formed—Good Speech by Mr. W. C. Wilson.

The good farmers of Holly Grove got together Saturday night and organized the Holly Springs Good Roads and Agricultural Association. There were about fifty present and all enjoyed the meeting. Present to help in perfecting the organization were H. B. Varner and W. C. Wilson, both of whom made speeches. Mr. Wilson's speech was about fifty minutes long and was much enjoyed. He is a plain, practical, common sense speaker and he never failed to hit the nail squarely on the head. At the conclusion of the speech-making the association was organized with the following officers: President, Mr. C. A. Swing; Vice President, Mr. J. H. Kennedy; Secretary and Treasurer Rev. James F. Deal. The executive committee was composed of Messrs. John H. Crofts, A. H. Kepley, Eli Younts, N. G. Conrad, T. W. Foust.

From those present the following were enrolled as members of the association: C. A. Swing, M. M. Swing, J. F. Deal, A. H. Kepley, J. F. Crofts, Eli Younts, J. H. Kennedy, F. C. Deal, W. L. Burkhardt, Lee Miller, Obadiah Byerly David Byerly, N. G. Conrad, Lee Slink, A. H. Burkhardt, Walter Curry, J. E. Beck, Robt. Fritz, John Beck, Jacob Beck, Lee Young, A. L. Bowers, A. E. Conrad, John Younts, Robt. Kepley, J. F. Deal, John H. Crofts, Black and Julius Darr, all of Lexington route 2, and the following citizens from Lake: A. H. Conrad, J. M. Conrad, W. L. Conrad, H. G. Lopp.

Every member of the association is enthusiastic and anxious to accomplish things. Regular meetings will be held on road and farming conditions will be discussed. The split-log drag is to get its first trial in the county around Holly Grove, unless the Emmons association beats them to it, and there is going to be real work done. The next meeting will be held on Thursday night of this week beginning promptly at 7:30 o'clock. At this meeting definite plans will be mapped out and actual work will be done on the roads within the next two weeks.

The Capture of Mock Morgan.

A few weeks ago there appeared in all of the state papers a story of the defection of Mock Morgan, of Richfield, Stanly county and his flight to parts unknown. The following story from the Salisbury Post will be of interest: Mr. Mock Morgan, who disappeared from his home in Richfield, Stanly county, about six weeks ago, taking with him a considerable sum of money belonging to fertilizer companies, was arrested early yesterday morning near Albemarle, by the sheriff of Stanly county and his bond fixed at \$10,000. He is charged with the embezzlement of several thousand dollars. It is alleged that Morgan represented eight guano companies at Richfield that last summer and fall he purchased 61 car loads of fertilizer worth about \$15,000. He is said to have sold all of this fertilizer for cash except \$1,000 worth, which his books show was sold on time. Out of the amount realized from the sale of the fertilizers, it is said that he paid the guano companies only about \$600 or \$700.

Mr. Jacob Bean Dead.

Lexington was inexpressibly shocked to learn of the death of Mr. Jacob W. Bean which occurred at an early hour Sunday morning. He had only been ill for a few days and no one thought that his illness was serious. Mumps, in an aggravated form, was the cause of his death. Mr. Bean was about twenty-eight years old. He was married and he leaves a wife and three small children. For some time he had been employed by Mr. Vance Myers on west Main street and he had scores of friends in the city. Last March he was unanimously elected second lieutenant of the Lexington Rifles, Company A, Third Regiment, N. C. N. G. and he was the most popular man in the company. He was a man of unusually fine physique, of very soldierly bearing and he made a model officer.

Mr. Bean was a faithful member of the Baraca Class of the Methodist church and was held in high esteem by every member of it. The hour for the teaching of the lesson Sunday morning was devoted mainly to his memory, the teacher, Mr. J. R. McCrary, paying him high tribute. The class readily contributed a considerable sum to purchase flowers for the funeral and nearly every member identified the home Sunday afternoon to pay his respects to the departed brother.

Mr. Bean was a member of both the Odd Fellows and the Junior Order and a large number of his fellow members attended the funeral Monday at Holloway's church in Silver Hill township. A squad from the Lexington Rifles under Lieutenant R. F. Chetty, accompanied the funeral party and Rev. A. L. Stanford conducted the services. The Odd Fellows, following a brief talk by Mr. Stanford at the grave, took charge of the burial and after they were through with their part of it, the military company took charge. The regulation salute was fired over his grave and "Taps" was sounded.

Monstrous to Die February 15.

Nathan Montague, the black brute who criminally assaulted Miss Mastie Sanders, then killed her and her aged father and little niece, throwing the three bodies inside their own home and setting fire to it, was arraigned in the superior court of Granville Monday and within four hours from the time he arrived at the courthouse under guard of Company B, Third Regiment, from Raleigh, he was convicted, sentenced to death and on his way back to the state prison at Raleigh. More than a hundred armed soldiers backed by a Gatling gun, stood guard over the court house during the trial. He will die February 15.

WHAT THE LEGISLATURE IS DOING.

No Important Legislation Last Week—Solons Are Taking Things Easy Now.

The legislature has been making haste slowly. Hundreds of little local bills have been introduced and many of them have been passed. Speaker Doff has made good with a rush and has been hailed as the best presiding officer the house has had in many years. He presides with a calm dignity that is all his own. Representative Ewart, of Henderson, the republican floor leader, handed out the surprise of the week in a resolution condemning Marion Butler and other holders of repudiated state bonds, denouncing the said Butler as "perfidious." His resolution was greeted with cheers from both democrats and republicans. Ewart also introduced a bill providing for the calling of a constitutional convention to provide for additional supreme court judges, the avoidance of local legislation and several other good features.

The mileage book nuisance came in for consideration but no attention will be paid to the bill introduced, as it is the consensus of opinion that the roads under the law, cannot be conserved for so long a period of time, that the traveller is repaid for the inconvenience by the reduction he gets in buying the mileage. A bond issue of \$1,000,000 is contemplated for the erection of a fire proof modern building for the state library, museum, department of agriculture and other departments of the state. The bill to create Piedmont county out of parts of Guilford, Randolph, and Davidson was introduced in the house by Kirkman, of Guilford and is now before the legislature. The High Point people are doing a good work and have every prospect of winning, despite the united opposition of the various organizations of Guilford and Randolph. Davidson county is not losing any sleep over the matter at all.

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