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Report of County Assessor Shows Who Pays the Taxes-Midway

and Abbott's Creek. The careful reader may be able to pick out the townships in which the assessors have done their duty without any trouble at all and may just as easily pick out the townships in which the assessors have scored a complete fall down. On the whole, good work has been done and the assessors have done the prop-

Lexington township made a mighty fine showing and Thomasville a most disappointing one. The Chair City is a much better town than the asses-sor's returns would indicate. The report for the city of Thomasville has not been made, but it is certain that but little, if any, gain will be shown. Of course, Thomasville lost two big chair factories by fire last year, but it also gained a cotton mill or two, and other establishments. It has also boasted that hundreds of new residences have gone up during the past year, but they did not seem to make any showing on the tax books. The assessor says that practically all of the comparatively small gain the township has made is outside of town. Abbotts Creek, Emmons, Lexington

ville by good margins.
Lexington's gain is \$690,811. Thomasville gains \$90,500, leaving Lexing-ton in the lead by \$600,311. Land in Lexington township is valued at \$20.33 ship, or a little more than double the

wealth of Thomasville.

It will be recalled that several months ago High Point had an almost uncontrollable desire to become a county seat and to turn High Point township into a county. At that time it was said that if Thomasville was taken from Davidson county that there would be nothing left. Admitting that the loss of Thomasville would deso-late the county unutterably, some took issue with the High Point folks who made this statement, and it now appears that High Point herself, is not what "she was cracked up to be." The tax assessor has finished over there and the total value of all of the property, real and personal, in High Point township, is \$3,294,174, leaving Lexington township with a clear lead over ambitious High Point of \$24,757.

The figures for the various town ships are given below and the reader make his own comparisons: Abbotts Creek township has made a large gain over 1910. It shows 193 white polls and 13 colored. The asvalue of land has been raised from \$5 per acre to \$8.12 per acre. The total value of real and personal property under the new assessment is \$348,254, as against \$241,107, in

\$2.33 per acre to \$3.75 and the total Shepard & Son tell of some special value for 1911 is \$110,925, a gain of bargains that should interest the laably. Land values are raised from

The total value of property is \$336,-538, as against \$299,404, a gain of \$37,138. The value of land was raised from \$7.60 to \$9.45 per acre.

renry's.

If you are looking for bargains in drugs, go to J. B. Smith's, "The Old Reliable." He offers a special this values for 1911 reach \$366,538, and increase of \$30,156 over the 1910 figures, \$336,382.

Emmons township's land values increased from \$3.50 to \$5.80 per acre.

There is to be a big re-union of the The total value for the township is old students of Churchland High \$420,818, as against \$302,287 in 1910, School on the school grounds Satur-

to \$4.40. The total is \$161,026, as mark in the higher institutions of against \$132,277 in 1910, an increase of \$34,749, or about 25 per cent.

Hampton township shows an increase in land values from \$7.33 to by Hon. Zeb Vance Walser, ex-attorn \$9.33 per acre, with a total value of special part in the exercises.

The principal address will be made by Hon. Zeb Vance Walser, ex-attorn \$55,409 against \$43,526 in 1910, a gain of \$11,383.

In Jackson Hill land values increasfrom \$3.08 to \$5.22 per acre, and the
total value of all property from
\$133,857 in 1910 to \$175,446 in 1911,
a gain of \$41,589.
In Lexington township the land
values jumped from \$14.50 per acre
to \$20.33 and the total valuation from
\$2.628,120 to \$3,318,931, a gain of
\$590.811, or about 25 per cent.
In Midway township the most astonishing gains were made. The
value of land was raised from \$5.15
per acre to \$10.20. The total value
rose from \$241.749 in 1910 to \$345,861

or two other townships, but this brought on a storm. The Thomasville assessor, summoned to Lexing-ton by the board of equalization, brought with him a small army of The report of Mr. S. Lee Owen, county tax assessor, contains many interesting features. Incidentally it settles for all time the question of "Who's Who" in Davidson county when it comes to tax paying.

All of the townships made good All of the townships made good assessments of Abbott's Creek, Emmons, Lexington and Midway be lowered, if there was to be no increase townships. ered, if there was to be no increase in the low townships. The board agreed to this and the assessments of these three townships were ordered lowered ten per cent. None of these townships had asked for a decrease in the assessment, but Mr. Lindsay stood for fair play and finally got what he asked for, and he will be generally commended for his ac-

Arcadia has 140 white polls and no colored; Alleghany 86 white and 2 colored; Boone 142 white and 22 colored; Conrad Hill 192 white and 1 colored; Cotton Grove 184 white and 55 colored; Emmons, 282 white and port for the city of Thomasville has no colored; Healing Springs 137 not been made, but it is certain that white and 6 colored; Hampton, 37

Abbotts Creek, Emmons, Lexington and Midway townships lead Thomasfor the four townships is \$8,for the four townships is \$8, 375,396. Of this, \$4,683,396 is real es tate and \$3.692,366 is personal prop erty.

Last year the total amount was \$7, 094,795. The gain, therefore, is \$1,280, Lexington township is values at 2000 per per acre and in Thomasville \$10.00 per acre. The total taxable values in tion excess and the value of railroads Lexington township is \$3,318,931, as telephone and telegraph companies it against \$1,641,540 in Thomasville townthe county added, the total valuation of property in the county last year was \$8,833,797.47 and the county's income therefrom, as figured by Count Assessor Owen, was \$28,732. This year, not counting the value of the

The county also shows a gain in polls of more than 200 and this is an

advertises an unusually strong line of agricultural implements this week. The wise farmer will hunt up their ad and read it before buying else-

dies. Their leader is a beautiful all-over embroidery dress at \$3.25. See what they offer.

The advertisement of W. G. Penry. "The One Price Store," in this issue cent. The total value of real and personal property is \$271,596, as against \$228,716 in 1910. a gain of \$43,880. The value of land was raisreminds us that in spite of the way

Re-Union at Churchland.

gain of \$118,531.

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BIG GAIN IN TAXABLE VALUES. assessments of Thomasville and one THE ROAD IMPROVEMENT TRAIN, GETTING READY FOR THE FAIR.

Which Will Reach Lexington

demonstration to the control of the county who is interested in government road engineers who from government road engineers who from growing horses and mules and may be depended on to make a fine show manufacture of lumber, were also ever the Corporation Commission has, placed on the free list. He said that the general showing of earnings and that the assessments are well within

nomic importance of a system of improved highways to the people of the left. Mr. Miller, now holding down south, made it possible to have this the job of register of deeds, is a pronomic importance of a system of imthat the people might have the opportunity to receive the information pended on to secure a large number as to the improvement of roads which of entries. it affords.

The Southern Railway, at great expense, is handling this train without charge to the government or the people and all the lectures and demon-strations are free. The lectures and exhibits are bound to prove helpful to all interested in good roads and the all interested in good roads and the Spruill.

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improve his road.

The working models will be shown year, not counting the value of the gine installed for the party and the with these the experts are enabled to increased valuations of bank stock, railroads, etc., which is certain to come, the county's wealth will run aired at the smallest necessary cost. The "Road Improvement Train" will come also the household department, a lengthy signed card addressed to reverently, discreetly and avisedly, soberly and in the fear of God, like summer and fall completing an ex-tensive tour over the whole south at

where.
A. E. Sheets & Co., "The Leading Jewelers," have an ad in this issue calling attention to their special sale of china ware. It will pay you to have not grant a certificate to certain the following as to why he cannot grant a certificate to certain the fair last fall, will be bigger this

failed to carefully read and study the following books: Ritchie's Primer of Sanitation, Jean Mitchell's School, How to Study and Teaching a District School, he cannot stand the examination on Theory and Practice of Teaching. The state board makes out Practice was taken from these books. These books may be had by writing to Alfred Williams and Co., Raleigh, association, and the matter was discussed at different times last winter, that if a teacher would carefully read each of these books, and at his leisure in his home, write an essay of not less than five pages on each of these named above, and send in these essays, they would be accepted in the place of the examination on Theory

and Practice.
So all teachers wanting certificates renewed, or granted by standing the examination, may take either course, end in these essays before the certificate is in force, or prepare for the examination on the

school committeemen appointed by all been notified of their appointment. A card was inclosed for reply. A large number of those appointed have ble. If you have been appointed let Mr. Vann hear favorably from you at once. It is time to get things in shape

The Lutheran General Synod, in irning its blennial session in Washington, voted to create an offi-Washington, voted to create an offi-cial newspaper, after the manner of the "Advocate" in the Methodist church. Radical changes were made in the foundation of the Synod pub-lication board, bringing that board into harmony with other Synod agen-cies, and almost the same thing was done with the district mission boards, to bring them into closer relations to

More Facts About the Good Road Train Heads of Departments Named-Committees to Secure Premiums for Thursday July 27th. Various Departments.

The citizens of this section will be The directors of the Davidson Coungiven a fine opportunity to learn ty Fair held an important session camp is now on. In many moon about the importance of good roads Wednesday and lost no time in getting there has been no such a split be

demonstration coaches equipped wind lan. Mr. McMillan is a prominent a stereopticon, exhibits and working liveryman and knows horses and models, and is accompanied by Messrs. mules. He also knows every farmer

rain.

It is the object of the "Road Imthe county. His "Red Polled" cattle corresponding cut on mill machinery provement Train" to not only stimu- are known all over the Pledmont seclate interest in the good roads move-ment but to give practical instruction tion and have attracted special atten-ment but to give practical instruction ment but to give practical instruction in the building of roads and their repair. President Finley of the Southground up and his Gepartment will terview in which he denied making have been ardent good roads be up with the procession, if not a lit ern Railway is an ardeut good roads be up with the procession, if not a lit advocate and realizing the vast eco-

"Good roads school on wheels" visit duct of the farm and he has lately all the territory served by the Southern Railway and allied lines in order Lexington. He has a wide acquaintance in the county and may be de-

Farm and garden seed, Mr. J. F Spruill. Mr. Spruill is a member of the Lexington bar and is also a farm product. This is an important de-partment and one that attracted a

of the big show in charge of more than one, because of the immense in actual operation, the motive pow-er being furnished by a gasoline en-gine installed for the purpose, and with these the experts are enabled to dies will have charge of the depart-

polls of more than 200 and this is an encouraging sign. The county will be well out of the pauper class and will take its place among the wealth-ler counties of the state.

Business News Notes.

The Davidson Hardware Company "The Store That Treats You Right," advertises an unusually strong line of agricultural implements this week. The wise farmer will hunt up their the ladies will be especially welcome. the ladies will be especially welcome. be called on to see the merchants, manufacturers, professional men, far-

buy now.

The Davidson Furniture Company, "Makers of Happy Homes," advertises this week a special sale on Matting. The ruling of the state board of education this week a special sale on Matting.

The davidson Furniture Company, "Makers of Happy Homes," advertises the state superintendent to result in the fair last fall, will be bigger this that the article can in no way be year than ever. The directors of the Denver platform. He argues that it tender mercies of the Davidson Poul-was really the application to the target and the state board of education depth of the state board of education to the davidson Poul-was really the application to the target and the state board of education depth of the state board Arcadia makes a good gain, the value of land being raised from \$7.75 See their prices.

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They are offering some real bargains in the county teachers' association. If the prices in poultry real in this section. Rev. J. F. Deal, of Holly Grove, is a member of the board of directors, and he is also the statement that it never occurrent in the county ting things in shape for the fair and the county ting things in shape for the fair an the board of directors, and he is also this same platform, that it would for a live poultryman. He will help get all the balance of this tariff plank, the association on its feet.

Card From Mr. Jenkins.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: I have wanted to say a word to our the questions for examination, and the entire examination on Theory and the entire examination on Theory and weeks, but their almost unbounded leading protection high priests of the favors, interest and liberality towards us in our struggles to finish up our new house of worship, have embarasleed me with the sense of inability to complete mercy of the protected trust owner of a big still which they capsay what I would like to say what our entire church would like to say in appreciation of the universal spirit of co-operation on the

part of our good citizens. How shall we express our great gratitude? We shall never be satis-fied by attempting to do it with mere words. So many have come up and offered to help us in this effort. Some have already done more than could even ask, and others have exe either course, before the cer-prepare for the books named above. This question has been discussed time and time again in the meetings, and in The Dispatch. meetings, and in The Dispatch.

Superintendent Vann says that the work up various kinds of merchan discrete and dispatch that "Fair Week". dise to sell during their "Fair Week," meeting have by giving goods and furnishing names of large wholesale firms to whom we are looking for help. All this has are looking for help. All this has been done with more than ordinary which gives treble damage. Also cordiality, and we want the whole community to know just what sort of the fees for the plaintiff's counsel, alalready replied. It is very important cordiality, and we want the whole that all reply just as soon as possispirit is being manifested.

I am thankful to say that our build-

once. It is time to get things in shape in as soon as possible and prepare for the best year's work in each school in least one thousand (\$1,000) dollars will go to the creditors leaving noth-more than we have pledged, but we ing for the Ware-Kramer stockholdare trusting in the Lord and His peo-ple to give it to us. Our own mem-bers have made heroic—often distressing sacrifices to "pull up to the top of the hill," and we do not see

A SQUABBLE IN THE CAMP.

Senator Simmons and Chairman Eller Out for Gore-Mr. Maxwell Comes to Simmons' Ald.

about the importance of good roads and the best methods of building and right down to business. It was dekeping them in repair, when the cided to divide the work into depart-ment and appeint a head for each, congress on the reciprocity bill, when cerated by the Southern Railway and so that the responsibility would fall affiliated lines working in conjunction on one man who could be held rewith the United States Office of Public Roads, visits Lexington on Thurs-lic Roads, visits Lexington camp is now on. In many moons lic Roads, visits Lexington on Thurs—some discussion and day, July 27th at 10 a. m.

The train consists of lecture and demonstration coaches equipped with lan. Mr. McMillan is a prominent democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters in 1908, the faith and in defending numbers are democratic headquarters are democratic headquarters. wide experience are qualified to give the most valuable information on good roads building. W. J. Huribut, of the Land and Industrial Department of the Southern Railway, goes with the that free lumber would have done hurt to the lumbermen, without a corresponding cut on mill machine.

which is highly protected. Chairman Eller, who, by the way

disastrously and he stands in a very bad light before the people of North ties will show an especially big Carolina. He is chairman of the dem-ocratic executive committee and his per man and once connected with the lumber business, while he was a with. probably is now a Kitchinite, stands Preacher "Pamns" Milk and Ice down in no uncertain terms. In an open letter to Editor Daniels, of the News & Observer, who is fighting Simmons bitterly, he set history straight. The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Chronicle outlined by the control of the Charlotte Chronicle outlined by the charl

the senate when Mr. Simmons was delivering his speech in advocacy of his amendment to the Canadian reciprocity bill. Mr. Maxwell says State Chairman Eller is mistaken about not having read all of that circular and proved it: that 20,000 circulars were printed and the article printed in the Raleigh morning paper before it was passed into the general campaign

pledging the people relief from exac-tions of tariff protected and trust-organized manufactures, and accept as their pet measure the trade agreen originated and fathered by a republi can president and championed by the country, "which amounts to placing on the free list the products of the farm and leaving the farmer at the manufacturers." He resents the insinuations of the Raleigh morning paper that his connection with the lumber business had anything to do with the writing of the article and tells of Editor Daniels having brought about his taking up the publicity rean work of the campaign and insisting that he can 'Look any North Carolina free-wood-pulp and paper newspaper man in the face and claim to be as white as he is."

Ware-Kramer Company Gets Judgment.

A Raleigh Dispatch dated Thursday Judgment against the American To-

bacco Company for \$70,000 and costs was signed by Judge Connor this afternoon following the jury verdict for \$20,000, which means \$60,000 under lowing \$10,000 in this case.

The plaintiffs claim that the Ware-

ers. However, they have decided not To Beautify Cedar Lodge.

Raising Railway Assessments, A dispatch from Raleigh Saturday

George B. Elliott, assistant general counsel, and C. J. Joseph, tax agent for the Atlantic Coast Line, were here The biggest row in the democratic today in conference with the Corporthe tax assessment that the commission has made against the Coast Line all came about through the debate in the railroad officials setting up the contention that the new assess is too high. It is learned that the assessment of railroad property, this being the regular quadrennial period for general reassessment of the physical property of the railroads and property generally throughout the state. Also it is learned that the railroad assessments show very ma-

property and the general advances in valuations of real estate the state over that are being reported by the county tax assessors, there is every assurance that the state and the county governments will have all the revenue they can possibly need for the statement referred to was not read of him, or authorized by him, but was sent out by Mr. A. J. Maxwell, a clerk islature will have an opportunity of materially reducing the tax rates, this This attempt on his part to shirk reduction to extend to the county and the blame for the statement ended the municipal governments. It is said that the school funds in many coun crease, owing to the material raise in the tax rate that was made for the partisan play in this instance will do schools by the recent legislature. Inhim and the party damage all over the state. Mr. Maxwell an ex-newspa-will have more schools funds this

Trusts.

New York dispatch 14th: The Rev.

circular" of the 1908 campaign that ice trust and the milk trust and the figured in the colloquy between Senator Simmons. Senator Lobe Character and the cows and support the colloquy between Senator Simmons, Senator John Sharp and everything that is making this Williams and others on the floor of hot weather an excuse for hoosting

hot weather an excuse for boosting the price of ice and milk." "The sugar trust may be faulty and kill sick babies. Thank God, the un-dertakers haven't raised the price of coffins!

"Nefther have the doctors raised of Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Deal, of Holly their prices, and there are persons Grove, a fine baby boy, an eight who will minister to the sick and poor pounder. Both mother and child are without money and without price. fund direct, and to help alleviate the a wide circle of friends poverty of the indigent milkman and

onstrued to be a repudiation of the poverty of the indigent inflaman and benver platform. He argues that it impecuneous iceman.

"I hope they'll repent in time to the tar-if plank of the 'rule of reason.'

"A notable bit of irony in the card their mortal souls for a drink of iced tives in Lexington and Davidson."

"Yours truly,

"L. S. OSBORNE. "Rector Trinity Episcopal Church. Mr. Osborne is regarded as one of he leading Episcopal clergymen in New Jersey. ark paper has created no end of com-

Big Still Seized But Operator Makes

His Getaway. Durham dispatch, 14th: Revenu Officers K. W. Merritt and J. B. Jordan have been unable to locate the tured Wednesday and the warrant has not been served. They were in Lebanon township that day and ran across a big still that had been su denly moved. It had been spotted Sunday before and the officers were prepared to swoop down upon the makers of whiskey. When they came up it was gone, but there were remainders of it. They tore up the fer-menters and other paraphernalia and walking a little further saw a man and a boy. A question or two the man dash off at a ten-second speed and the kid did as well in a m or so more. They then found the 125capacity copper still near the yard and concluded that they had the man. But he is hard to locate just now. This is the first still smashed in several months, the let-up in the blockade business having been noted many

Gave Stock and Cattle Away.

Some of the older residents claim severe that has been experienced since the summer of 1811, when very little rain fell from May until September. All vegetation was parched and it is said that in some sections, people gave away their horses and some cat-tic because they were unable to buy feed stuff and could not raise anything on the farms. These cases, however, were exceptional, although the drought of that period extended over

Hand Blown off by a Dynamite.
On last Monday afternoon while cleaning out his barn Mr. Oscar Curtis, who lives near the sewing room in this city came across some dynamite caps, and in throwing them away, they exploded in his hand, tearing the fingers of his hand off, and terribly disfiguring his hand, in fact his whole hand is almost destroyed.
Mr. Curtis is a hard working well thought of young man and this misfortane coming to him is a severe blow. He has the sympathy of his host of friends.—Burlington News.

IN AND ABOUT LEXINGTON.

Personal Mention-Movements of the People-Small Items of Interest.

Mrs. W. M. Jordan is in the city

Mrs. C. W. Trice went to Concord fonday to visit her parents.

isiting Mrs. T. E. McCrary.

Mr. W. G. Miller, register of deeds, is in bed with a very severe billious attack.

Mrs. J. W. Finch went to Greens-boro Thursday to spend a week with her niece, Mrs. N. D. Elliott.

Mr. S. O. Hege left for Washington yesterday where he will take a job on the city's street car system. Mr. J. B. Smith and son, who have been attending the pharmaceutical

convention at Morehead City returned Mr. and Mrs. Dermot Shemwell and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Foy, and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Young, spent

Sunday at Healing Springs. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson and daughter returned from Morehead City Monday night where they

had been for a week enjoying the sea breezes. Miss Lula Tussey, of St. Louis, Mo., is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Tussey. She will spend several weeks in the county visiting friends

and relatives. Messrs. J. B. Hayworth, W. F. Thomason and L. F. Barr went to St. Louis, Mo., Monday to buy a car load of horses. They expect to return to

the city next Tuesday. Capt. C. W. Trice, who has been ill for several days, is improving rapid-ly. His many friends will be giad to know that he will be able to resume

work in a few dasy. Mrs. W. H. Mendenhall and daughter, Miss Dorothy, Miss Edith Greer, Mrs Wade H. Phillips and others who Mrs. Wade H. Phillips and others who were at Morehead City during the Third Regiment excampment,

The people of Lexington will regret to learn that Mr. Glenn Smith is very seriously ill. His father, who has been at Morehead City for a week, was telegraphed for yesterday. His condition is considered critical. Prof. F. William Cappelman,

Charleston, S. C., was in the city last week in the interests of Elizabeth College of Charlotte. Elizabeth College has a number alumnae here and is very popular with Lexington girls. Mr. Benj. H. Bates, of Baltimore an

hot weather an excuse for boosting the price of ice and milk."

"The sugar trust may be faulty and the Standard Oil not all that could be desired, but they don't conspire to kill sick bables. Thank God, the undertakers haven't raised the price of Baltimore. Yesterday there arrived at the home

doing nicely and the proud parents "So here's \$10 more for your ice are receiving the congratulations of Mrs. Dr. O. C. Neier and Mrs. T. L.

> county. They left Monday morning for their home in Indiana. Messrs. Ben F. Lee, David F. Conrad and Sam Miller enjoyed a most successful fishing trip last week. They went down to Mr. A. S. Miller's, on

the Uwharrie river, and spent sever-al hours seining. They landed about 150 pounds of mighty fine fish and had a most enjoyable time besides. Mr. Guthrie Robbins, son of B. G. Robbins, formerly of this place but now of Richmond, Va., came home to accompany the Lexington Rifles to Camp Glenn. He is a member of the company and has been out of Lexington but a few months. He is now employed with the Williams Printing

Company, of Richmond, Va. Raraca and Philathea Union Picnic

Denton, July 17.-On Wednesday, July 26, the Baraca and Philathea Union of Denton will hold a basket picuic on the grounds of the Baptist church at Denton. Everyone is cordially in-vited to bring a filled basket and enjoy the day with friends. The two features of the day are the addresses features of the day are the addresses which are to be made by Mr. O. T. Smoot, of Salisbury, who is president of the Baraca-Philathea Union in this state, and by Miss Flosy Byrde, is secretary of the above named un-ion. These two addresses will be well worth your effort to hear. We expect very entertaining and instructive speeches from our guests. program will consist of specially preaddresses already mentioned. morning address will be given at 11 o'clock, and in the afternoon at 2

Let every one invite friends and come out for the day and enjoy meeting your friends at this basket pic-

The Wake county grand jury returns not a true bill in the case of H. W. Montague, who has been under \$2,000 bond since June 4 when he shot drought of that period extended over a greater territory than the one of the present year.

Those who have not realized the effects of the present drought will be very forcibly impressed if they try the market for any sort of vegetables. Corn is drying up and Irish potatoes are not larger than marbles.—Mooresville Enterprise.

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