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L. D. LOWE,

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Will practice in the courts of Watauga, Mitchell and adjoining counties. 7-6-11

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Will practice in the courts of the 13th Judicial District in all matters of a civil nature. 6-11-1911.

J. C. FLETCHER,

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Careful attention given to collections.

W. R. LOVILL

— ATTORNEY AT LAW, —

— BOONE, N. C. —

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E. S. COFFEY,

— ATTORNEY AT LAW, —

— BOONE, N. C. —

Prompt attention given to all matters of a legal nature. Abstracting titles and connection of claims a special

1-1-11.

AS TO ASSESSMENTS.

News and Observer.

The last General Assembly undertook to enact a law that would require the assessment of property in North Carolina at its true value in money. They believed that such a law would be followed by a reduction in tax rate, and that North Carolina would be much better advertised to the world with a large assessment and lower tax rate than at present with lower assessments and a tax rate that is high in the larger towns and cities. They put the machinery in motion, which if carried out to the letter and spirit of the law, will result in the needed improvement. While the various tax assessors were busy making assessment of real and personal property in the counties the Corporation Commission busied itself with assessing railroad property with the result that it increased assessments something like 33% per cent. Nobody has complained that the assessment of railroads was too high, but the railroads objected to it on the ground that in certain counties the property of individual citizens was assessed from only 30 to 75 per cent of its value, and, therefore, as the railroads were assessed at a high per cent the railroads are being discriminated against. In proof of that assertion the Atlantic Coast Line, Southern and Seaboard Air Line had affidavits from a number of citizens in certain counties, some of them saying the assessment was only about 25 per cent of the value. As soon as such information from responsible parties came to the attention of the Corporation Commission it promptly summoned all of the citizens making these affidavits to come to Raleigh for a hearing, their purpose being, if the private property was undervalued, to increase its valuation. It is now announced that a number of these affidavits have been withdrawn, and news comes to us that some of the gentlemen making these affidavits labored under an entirely erroneous impression and that their affidavits as read conveyed a very different set of facts from what was intended by them. Others were based upon misinformation. It was entirely right and proper that these gentlemen who acted upon information which was not correct in making their affidavits, to withdraw them. It will probably be found when the matter is sifted to the bottom that some counties have undervalued their property, but that any county has valued its property at only 25 or 50 per cent is not to be believed, though it may be that there are individual pieces of property that are so undervalued.

The contention of the railroads is that inasmuch as private property is undervalued, the assessment of their property should be reduced in like proportion. The contention of the News and Observer is, and has been that, if private property is undervalued the duty of the Corporation Commission is to compel an increase of assessment of the private property so that the law will be complied with. To reduce the railroad assessment because some private property has been undervalued would be for the Corporation Commission to violate the law. The law specifically gives them the power and charges them with the duty to see that property is correctly assessed, and it could not defend itself in any forum by saying that, inasmuch as some counties have undervalued private property, they must therefore undervalue the railroad property. They might take the posi-

Cook's Gap, Objective Point.

Wilkes Patriot.

Mr. Will Hamilton, of Beaver Creek, Ashe county who was a visitor here last week, talked very interestingly to friends about the railroad survey that is now being made into Ashe County. He brings the news that there are or more persons engaged in making the survey and that the work is progressing rapidly towards Cook's Gap, six miles east of Boone, at which point it is said that the road will meet and intersect with the Watauga Railroad. The Watauga Railroad, it will be called, is the proposed new road which is to start from Wilkesboro or Lenoir, or both, which will be constructed to develop the sixty thousand acres of timber lands recently purchased by W. J. Grandin and associates of the Yadin Lumber Co.

The headquarters of the engineers has been moved to Fleetwood, on the South Fork of New River. We are advised that attorneys are busily engaged in the securing the rights-of-way and that actual work on the road will commence soon.

Mr. W. R. Bauguss, of Jefferson, while here Tuesday, corroborated the story published in last week's Patriot concerning the railroad survey now being made through Ashe County. Mr. Bauguss feels that the road will be made without a doubt, the company having already acquired by purchase and otherwise much of the right-of-way. He informed us, also that parties interested in the construction of the road had bought 40,000 acres of coal lands in southwestern Virginia. This, if true strengthens the theory that the Virginia-Carolina and the Norfolk & Western Railroads are seeking a more direct Southern outlet from the coalfields.

Common Colds Must be Taken Seriously.

For unless cured they sap the vitality and lower the vital resistance to more vital infection. Protect your children and yourself by the use of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and note its quick and decisive results. For coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, bronchitis and affections of the throat, chest and lungs it is an ever-ready and valuable remedy. For sale by all druggists.

tion with some show of reason if they had no duty to perform with reference to assessing private property. Then they might very well say: "Some private property is undervalued; therefore, we will underrate the railroad property, but the law is plain, its mandate is specific to the Corporation Commission, not merely to assess railroad property for taxation but to see that the assessment of private property in every county of the state, is just and in accordance with the law, and more than that, it is the duty of the commission to see that such property is assessed equitably. For example, if a farm lying on the Durham line and in Wake county is assessed at \$20 an acre, and an adjacent farm of just as good land and as many improvements is assessed at \$10 an acre in Durham county, the Commission must equalize. If the Wake assessment is too high it must be cut down; and if the Durham assessment is too low it must be brought up so that the people of both counties would be paying fair taxation to the city.

The Corporation Commission is taking the only proper and lawful course.

The Great State Fair.

We have just received from the North Carolina Agricultural Society a striking little booklet that is a bright gem in its class. It is tiny but full of facts and figures about North Carolina and her Great State Fair that will be held for the fifty-first time at Raleigh on October 17, 18, 19, 20 1911. There are only eight small pages and a neat, very tasty cover, all of a size to fit in ordinary envelope. Cuts show a birdseye view of the Fair Grounds while the Fair is going on and Lincoln Beachey flying in his Curtiss aeroplane over Niagara Falls.

There is an appreciation of North Carolina that carries a point in every paragraph, a fact in every sentence, clothed in a style as attractive as the story it tells, and all in one small page.

The marvelous progress of the State is told in a comparative table of crop figures for 1905 and 1910, and similar alignment of statistics of the manufacturing industries. In addition there are comparative values of farm land and buildings, implements and machinery, labor and fertilizers.

In a brief review the work of the State Fair the booklet calls attention to the fact that it is chartered without capital stock, its real property being held in trust to secure a bonded debt, any profits made going into a surplus which is spent improvements and increasing premiums. The construction of the reinforced concrete agricultural at a cost of \$7,000, the new building for women and other betterments last year are touched upon, as well as a modern poultry building to be ready for the coming Fair. Figures show 83 solid carloads of exhibits last year against 42 in 1909; 3,501 separate entries against 1,201, and \$8, 191.54 net premiums paid against \$6,598.97. As evidence that the Fair is recognized as one of the greatest gathering points for pure-bred stock in the South, mention is made that a Percheron Society of America is this year offering its special prizes at the Raleigh Fair, which is one of only four Southern Fairs to be so honored. It is stated that by resolution of the Executive Committee all questionable and doubtful games have been forbidden the grounds.

On the amusement side there is borne the news that the Fair has contracted with Glenn H. Curtiss Co. for aeroplane flights each day of the Fair on a guarantee to fly basis, the aviator to be Lincoln Beachey or Hugh Robinson. Beachey is the birdman who flew under the bridge at Niagara, while Robinson did like wise at Cairo, Ill., under a railroad bridge over the Ohio. These two were the only flyers to finish in the cross-country race from New York to Philadelphia, and both were stars at the Chicago Aviation Meet, where Beachey made a new record for altitude—11,578 feet.

Another attraction mentioned is California Frank's Wild West show with its fifteen carloads and 200 people. Then there is The Great Calvert, star high-wire specialist.

Special mention is made of the miraculous painting, "In the Shadow of the Cross," to be exhibited for the first time in the South. It has figured at the great world exhibitions and been a topic of discussion among clergymen and scientists.

But aside from all this the little book is valuable for the information it contains, and is well worth preserving. Write for a copy to the State Fair, Jos. E. Pogue, Secretary, Raleigh, N. C.

"Boy, I Believe in You."

Ladies' Home Journal.

Thirty years ago a man put his hand on the shoulder of a seventeen-year-old boy and said: "Boy, I believe in you. You've got it in you to make good." The boy's father had just passed away; things were pretty cold and confused to the boy's mind, but that evening after his office boy duties were over he went home with a lighter heart. Somebody believed in him and had told him so! It was a simple thing, one may say, but isn't it, after all, the simple things that oftentimes make the greatest impression and carries the most lasting influence? That boy is now one of the most successful men in the country, "and all," as he said not long ago, "because that man gave me heart; gave me courage; made me feel that somebody believed in me. From that day I worked like a nailer."

It is worth remembering. Many a boy there is who needs just that hand on his shoulder and the marvelous stimulant of "I believe in you." Youth is apt to be quiet and oftentimes morose. It thinks to itself and lives within itself. Adolescence oftentimes makes a boy silent; somehow he cannot reach expression, and all sorts of perverted notions of fancied short comings and the attitude of others toward himself grow within him. He gets absorbed with the idea that no one understands him no one believes in him. For there is such a fearful gulf between the boy of immaturity and the man of experience. The right word of encouragement, of belief, of confidence, spoken at the right time, would have turned the scale for a many a boy. And it can now. There are just as many boys who want to be believed in as ever there were. And they hunger to be told so! What they might do and become if some men told them so, only the man who was once a discouraged, silent boy knows or understands.

No Need to Stop Work.

When your doctor orders you to stop work it staggers you. "I can't," you say. You know you are weak, run down and failing in health, day by day, but you must work as long as you can stand. What you need is Electric Bitters to give tone, vigor and strength to your system, to prevent breakdown and build you up. Don't be weak, sickly or ailing when Electric Bitters will will benefit you from the first dose. Thousands bless them for their glorious health and strength. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50c at all druggists.

Even if there is no marriage in heaven a woman will probably feel queer if she sees her former husband flying around with some other lady angel.

A Great Advantage to Working Men.

J. A. Maple, 125, S. 7th St., Steubenville, O., says: "For years I suffered from weak kidneys and a severe bladder trouble. I learned of Foley Kidney pills and their wonderful cures, so I began taking them and sure enough I had as good results as any I heard about. My backache left me and to one of my business, expressman, that alone is a great advantage. My kidneys acted free and normal, and that saved me a lot of misery. It is now a pleasure to work where it used to be a misery. Foley Kidney Pills have cured me and have my highest praise." For sale by all druggists.

When a woman insists on paying another woman's car fare and the other woman let her she never forgets it.

BANK REPORT.

Following is a report of the condition of the bank of Blowing Rock at Blowing Rock in the state of North Carolina, at the close of business Sept. 5, 1911:

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	\$22,432.89
Overdrafts secured	95.65
" " unsecured,	41.67
Banking house	1,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,437.30
Due from b'ks and b'krs	16,569.93
Cash items	66.50
Gold coin	662.50
Silver coin, including all other minor coin currency	115.59
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	3,753.00

Total..... 46,176.83

LIABILITIES

Capital stock	\$10,300.00
Surplus fund	500.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	308.36
Time certificates of deposit	8,599.39
Deposits subject to check	25,746.41
Cashier's checks outstanding	722.67

Total..... \$46,176.83

State of North Carolina, Watauga county, ss: I, G. M. Suddern, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. M. SUDDERN, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: C. J. Parlier, W. L. Holshouser, W. C. Lentz, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of Sept., 1911:

T. S. M. Greene, J. P.

Forced to Leave Home.

Every year a large number of poor sufferers, whose lungs are sore and racked with coughs, are urged to go to another climate. But this is costly and not always sure. There's a better way. Let Dr. King's New Discovery cure you at home. "I cured me of lung trouble," writes W. R. Nelson, of Calumet, Ark., when all else failed and I gained 47 pounds in weight. It's surely the king of all cough and lung cures." Thousands owe their lives and health to it. It's positively guaranteed for coughs, colds, lagrippe, asthma, croup—all throat and lung troubles, 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free at all druggists.

When a woman hears that a man who once made love to her has done something bad she says, "I don't believe it."

Happiest Girl in Lincoln.

A Lincoln, Neb., girl writes, "I had been ailing for some time with chronic constipation and stomach trouble. I began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and in three days I was able to be up and got better right along. I am the proudest girl in Lincoln to find such a good medicine." For sale by all dealers.

Success usually manages to dodge a man who is afraid of doing more than his share.

A Dreadful Sight.

to Mr. H. J. Barum, of Fre ville, N. Y., was the fever sore that had plagued his life for years in spite of many remedies he had tried. At last he used Bucklen's Arnica Salve and wrote, "It has entirely healed with scarcely a scar left." Heals burns, boils, eczema, cuts, bruises, swellings, corns and piles like magic. For sale by all dealers.

Right in your busiest season when you have the least time to spare you are most likely to take diarrhoea and lose several days time, unless you have Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand and take a dose on the first appearance of the disease. For sale by all dealers.

A dollar is a peculiar thing. The farther it gets away from you the larger it looks.