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## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

### Cases Settled at Last Days of Term—Several Cases Against the City.

Durham superior court for the trial of civil cases adjourned last Friday. Many cases of more or less importance were settled during them, among them being the following:

The jury in the case of Mrs. Ophelia Vickers and others against the city of Durham reached an agreement Friday morning. In their verdict the twelve men allowed Mrs. Vickers \$800 and the other plaintiffs, these being the heirs of Mrs. Vickers, \$375. This made a total of \$1,175. In this case the judge ordered a verdict of \$1,000.

Another of the Vickers' sewer suits was compromised in this connection. This was the suit of Joe Vickers. He was given \$200 in the compromise, this making \$1,200 that has been paid out on account of the southern end of the sewer plant at this term of court. There yet remains another suit on the same account this being G. W. Vickers against the city.

The case of G. W. Vickers against the Durham & South Carolina road will go to the supreme court. After being on trial a part of three days this case was given to the jury and in a short while there was a rap on the door of the jury room, indicating that there was an agreement. The twelve men were brought out and the verdict rendered. In this verdict the jury gave Vickers judgment for \$642.50. The road gave notice of appeal to the supreme court. In this case Vickers asked for damages in the sum of \$1,000 on account of a forest fire that burned over thirty two acres of land and also consumed 65 cords of wood. It was claimed by Vickers that this fire started from an engine on the road and the other side tried to convince the jury that a blockade still was the cause of the blaze. The jury believed that the railroad company was responsible for the blaze and it is understood that in making up their verdict they allowed \$2.50 per cord for the wood burned and allowed \$15 per acre for the land burned over.

The case of H. L. Whitaker against the Traction company was continued for the term, it being impossible to reach this case at this term of court. Whitaker is suing for \$5000 damages. In the complaint it is alleged that the plaintiff had a transfer from one line to another and that after getting on the second car with some lady friends the conductor refused to take the transfer, abused him, finally there was a fight between the two and the damages are claimed on account of the insult and the injury caused.

A non-suit was taken in the case of Allen Ligon against the Western Union Telegraph company.

The case of Thomas H Minor against the Southern road, who sued for \$2,000, was settled by compromise, the company paying over \$300. Minor was hurt in a railroad accident in East Durham. Judgement was given C. H. Norton, in his case against the Durham hosiery mill, for \$277.49. This was a compromise.

The case of J. W. Walker and others against J. B. Walker was settled. This was a question of law for the judge and not a jury trial. The object of this suit, which was a friendly action, was to clear the title to certain property so that it could be sold if desired.

The judgement in the case of

W. H. Weatherspoon against the Mutual Reserve Fund Life association was docketed yesterday. This was compromised several days ago.

A non suit was taken in the case of W. A. Pointer against W. J. Jourdan.

### Dr. Hume Resigns.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the State University held in Raleigh last Friday, Rev. Thomas Hume, D. D., professor of English literature, through President Venable, submitted a letter resigning his professorship. In the letter he informed the board that he had received notice that a pension would be granted to him from the Carnegie fund for the advancement of education. His resignation will take effect at the commencement in June. He was elected professor emeritus without salary, from and after that date. —Chapel Hill News.

### City Lot Sold.

Saturday at noon the city lot on the corner of Church and Parrish streets, the old Parrish warehouse stable lot, was sold at public auction. It was bid in by G. C. Farthing, the purchase price being \$11,150.

The bidding was rather spirited from the first, and it did not take very long to reach the figures where all stopped, with one exception, and the property was knocked down. The board of aldermen will have to either confirm or reject this sale, and if confirmed the terms are cash within five days.

This lot was purchased by the city several years ago and it was at one time thought that the city hall and market would go there, but later this idea was abandoned. The purchase price was about \$6,000, this giving the city a good profit in the deal. The lot contains 43-100 of an acre, fronting 270 feet on Parrish street and 64 feet on Church street.

### More Trains for Southern.

Two more passenger trains are to be put on the Southern road this month, beginning about the 10th. The train going east will pass Durham about 12 o'clock, noon, and the one going west will get here, it is said, about 7 o'clock.

This will give the Southern one of the best schedules ever put on the road. It will enable the morning train from Greensboro, No. 108 which gets here now at 9:15 o'clock, to leave Greensboro promptly on time without having to wait for connections on the main line. This train will go on through to its destination at Goldsboro without stopping or waiting for connections. Then the second train will make the Greensboro connections and then come on through. This will be the same thing as to the afternoon train. This last train will make the new famous Selma connection, will make the Seaboard connection here for points west and will pick up local travel.

It is rumored that the putting on of these trains was the direct out come of the Selma litigation now on. The corporation commission ordered the Southern to make the Selma connection and this order was violated. Then the penalty suits were instituted and the new arrangement will comply with the requirements of the commissioners' rulings and there will be no room for any kick, either as to the Selma connection or the Seaboard connections here.

Cotton, Monday, February 4, 11 cents.

## THE DEATH RECORD.

### Both Old and Young Answer to the Last Roll Call.

Little Mabel Claire Cates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Cates, died at the home of her parents on Glenn street Saturday morning at 1 o'clock. Croup was the cause of her death. The child was 14 months of age. The remains were taken to Nelson, where the interment took place.

### 11-MONTHS-OLD CHILD

John Matthews the 11 year old son of Mark Matthews, died at his home on Angier avenue last week. The funeral service was conducted from the residence Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. T. F. Hanley and Rev. E. R. Leyburn, after which the interment took place in Maplewood cemetery.

The young man had been ill for several days and his death was caused by pneumonia and meningitis. He left father and mother and several brothers and sisters.

### J. J. EDWARDS.

Mr. James J. Edwards, 63 years of age, died at his home on East Chapel Hill street last Friday morning about 2 o'clock. He had been ill little over a week and pneumonia was the cause of his death. While those about him were prepared for the end of his life, the announcement of his death came as a great surprise to many of his friends who either did not know that he was ill or did not think his condition was so serious.

The interment took place at Morrisville. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. J. Thompson, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Mr. Edwards belonged to a very large family. He left five living brothers and three sisters, these being as follows: Dr. W. H. Edwards, Messrs. J. D. and C. D. Edwards, of this city; Messrs D. D. and W. W. Edwards, who live near Cary. The sisters are: Mrs. W. T. Herndon, of Elon College; Mrs. W. J. Hillard, Morrisville, and Mrs. Bowers, of Nelson.

### Active Efforts for Y. M. C. A.

The efforts of citizens for the building of a Y. M. C. A. building in Durham are meeting with success. A good amount has already been subscribed, and each day shows an increase.

Sunday night a meeting was held at the Academy of Music for the purpose of stimulating interest in the move, and all the city churches suspended, so that all denominations might have an opportunity of learning what these associations are doing throughout the country. The illustrated address of C. L. Gates was instructive, and many who attended were surprised at the work the Y. M. C. A. of America was doing. His subject was the "Battle of the Young Man," and much interest was shown by the congregation.

Saturday night about 7 o'clock there was a report as of a pistol shot near the post office. Investigation proved that someone had placed a cartridge on the track and the street car came along and caused an explosion. Dr. E. E. Lull was standing waiting for the car, and the ball struck him just under the left jaw bone, going in a glancing direction, lodging probably in his neck. It is thought that it will prove to be nothing more than a flesh wound. There is no clue as how the cartridge came upon the track.

## Negro Thief Captured.

Sometime ago there was some money missing at the First National bank. The first discovery of the missing money was when the paymaster of the Durham Hosiery Mill began making up his pay roll. The money had been placed in a bag at the bank on Friday by teller J. M. Whitted and was not examined until it reached the mill Saturday and the paymaster discovered that about \$1600 was missing, which was bank notes placed in a small bag. Great mystery surrounded the matter, and in the meantime Mr. J. M. Whitted resigned from his position as paying teller at the bank, and it was said that he had to make the loss good.

Sunday night a negro by the name of Gaston Blake was arrested on evidence secured by those interested, and Monday when the trial came off it was proven to the satisfaction of the mayor that the negro was the man that secured the money and he was bound over to court under a bond of \$1700, which he could not give and was locked up in jail. Attorneys for the negro waived examination.

The negro, who was janitor at the bank at the time the money was missing, has been suspected all the time, and the different things he had purchased caused an inquiry, which resulted in his arrest. He had paid numerous bills, bought a horse and wagon and a small store.

## SHORT LOCAL ITEMS.

Want a good knife? See terms on third page.

J. Crawford Biggs has returned from Franklin county where he held the first term of court since he was elected Judge.

Clifton Hundley was brought here from Raleigh one day last week and operated on for appendicitis. At last accounts he was getting along as good as could be expected.

The police force are now doing something in the way of getting vagrants off the streets of the city. Several were sent to the roads last week, and others are being watched.

At the regular meeting of the teachers in the Durham county schools last Saturday resolutions were passed opposing the proposed law which provides for the election of the county board of education by the vote of the people.

At the meeting of the Durham Chamber of Commerce last Friday night the question of securing the annual meeting of teachers of the North Carolina Teacher's Association was discussed and it was decided to make a special effort to have the teachers meet in Durham this year.

There was a small wreck on the N. & W. Railway near Faintosh Monday morning. Some five or six freight cars jumped the track on account of spreading rails, which caused the mail trains of that road to have to meet at that place and transfer. No one was injured.

### What Our Reporter Saw in New York.

A recent visit to one of the largest paint factories in the world, disclosed machinery that was producing 10,000 gallons of paint, and doing it better and in less time than 100 gallons could be made by hand mixing. This was the celebrated L. & M. Paint. The L. & M. Zinc hardens L. & M. White Lead and makes L. & M. Paint wear like iron for 10 to 15 years. 4 gallons L. & M. mixed with 3 gallons Linseed Oil makes 7 gallons of paint at a cost of less than \$1.20 per gallon. If any defect exists in L. & M. Paint, will repaint house for nothing. Donations of L. & M. made to churches. Sold by Hackney Brothers, Durham.

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Loans and Investments,	\$520,357.42	Capital,	\$100,000.00
U. S. Bonds,	100,000.00	Surplus,	60,000.00
Premiums U. S. Bonds,	3,284.69	Undivided profits,	8,445.21
Banking House, Cash on hand and due from Banks,	13,000.00	Circulation,	100,000.00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer,	402,006.31	Deposits,	716,203.21
	6,000.00	Bills Payable,	60,000.00
	\$1,044,648.42		\$1,044,648.42

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