

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

### HOLD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON THE FOURTH.

In Addition Routine Work Attended to a Number of Corrections Were Made in Taxes—John Winston Cotton Weigher for Youngsville.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular monthly session on the 4th, all members present.

The following business was transacted:

Myra Yarboro was stricken from pauper list—being dead.

James S. Lucas, a Confederate soldier, was allowed to peddle spectacles without license.

Vannie Gill was notified to come forth and pay back taxes.

Dora Carpenter was relieved of taxes in Dunn's township, the same having been paid by Dora Pettiford.

Jane Thompson children were allowed \$2 as temporary relief.

Mrs. Georgia T. Boddie was relieved of tax on \$900—solvent credits.

Atha Jeans, who was required by the Board to pay back taxes, was given until June 1st to pay \$118.00.

Louis King, (Buck-Eye) was relieved of poll tax for 1907.

W. H. Allen was relieved of tax on 90 acres, the same having been paid by Allen Brothers.

John Winston was elected Cotton weigher for Youngsville, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of R. E. Pearce. J. H. Uzzell and W. M. Boone were authorized to accept said resignation, and also bond of Mr. Winston.

Allowance of Simon Gupton was increased to \$2.50 per month.

Report of Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Supt. of Health, was received and filed. Reports jail and county home in as good condition as could be expected.

E. N. Williams, Supt. of County Home, reported 8 white and 16 colored inmates, and the three McGhee children had been disposed of by J. J. Barrow, C. S. C.

Allowance for Dillie McGhee was increased to \$2 per month.

Louisburg Plow Co., was relieved of tax on \$1,600—overcharge.

Claims to the amount of \$606.51 were allowed and the Board adjourned to next regular meeting.

### Marriages.

During the month of April Register of Deeds Boone issued "marriage papers" to the following couples:

WHITE—Charlie M. Clark and Martha B. Tucker, Bryan King and Fannie Gupton, J. G. Merritt and Katie B. Alford, B. S. Pace and Beula Mullen.

COLORED—Joe Cooley and Julia Foster, Alex Canaday and Gatsy Perry, Ed Dickerson and Liza Bailey, C. C. Green and Rutha Kinton, Ivey Hines and Clara Neal, James Jones and Lena Massenburg, Washington Moore and Lucy Mann, Joe Mitchell and Josie Gupton, Bennett Williamson and Lenora Drake, Nick Wright and Lula Williams, Harry Williams and Savanna Ellis, Henry Wright and Mary Thomas.

### College Notes.

On Friday afternoon, May 15th, at five o'clock the members of the Class of 1908 will hold Class Day Exercises on the College Campus. All cordially invited to attend. Following is the programme:

Processional March.  
Greeting Chorus.

Welcome Address—Miss Belle Mitchiner.

Class Poem—Miss Mary Alfred Cooper.

Carolina.

Class Prophecy—Miss Mary H.

This Space is Sold to the Prohibition Committee.

## Henry Grady on the Whiskey Traffic.

Tonight it enters an humble home to strike the roses from a woman's cheek and tomorrow it challenges this republic in the halls of Congress.

Today it strikes a crust from the lips of a starving child and tomorrow levies tribute from the government itself.

There is no cottage humble enough to escape it, no palace strong enough to shut it out.

It defies the law when it can not coerce suffrage.

It is flexible to cajole, but merciless in victory.

It is the mortal enemy of peace and order, the despoiler of men and terror of women, the cloud that shadows the faces of children, the demon that has dug more graves and sent more souls unsaved to judgment than all the pestilences that have wasted life since God sent the plagues to Egypt, and all the wars since Joshua stood before Jericho.

It comes to ruin, and it shall profit mainly by the ruin of your sons and mine.

It comes to mislead human souls and to crush human hearts under its rumbling wheels.

It comes to bring gray-haired mothers down in shame and sorrow to their graves.

It comes to change the wife's love into despair and her pride into shame.

It comes to still the laughter on the lips of little children. It comes to stifle all the music of the home and fill it with silence and desolation.

It comes to ruin your body and mind, to wreck your home and it knows it must measure its prosperity by the swiftness and certainty with which it recks the world:

Grady loved the South as his own soul. Can you read his word and vote for liquor on May 26th?

### Webb.

Class Treasures Buried—Miss Alice J. Costen.

Planting Senior Tree—Class.

Presentation of Class Spade—Class President.

Farewell Address—Miss Annie E. Carroll.

Chorus. (Parody.)

### U. D. C.

On May 10th (Sunday) the members of the Jos. J. Davis Chapter will meet at the Court House at 3:30 p. m. and they will be glad to be joined by all those who are interested in the memorial services.

All are requested to bring flowers, and those who cannot bring, please send!

Upon assembling there, they will proceed to the cemetery.

After a short service, the graves will be decorated.

Mrs. J. S. BARROW, Pres.  
Mrs. R. H. DAVIS, Sec'y.

### Prohibition Rally at Mt. Zion.

Instead of having the regular monthly sermon last Sunday, by the pastor the Rev. G. M. Duke, the members of Mt. Zion church were honored with the presence of Mr. T. W. Bickett, who delivered a delightful lecture in the interest of Prohibition.

Mr. Bickett is strongly in favor of Prohibition, and as soon as he arose to speak there was a great lull in the congregation, every eye was turned toward him, every ear was opened for the hearing of what he had to say and in a little while, we guess nearly every mouth was opened, for the people seemed to swallow every word he said.

After lecturing about an hour and a half, reaching the zenith of his argument, and holding the people spell-bound all the while with his eloquence. Mr. Bickett took his seat to

receive many hearty congratulations; (mainly by the ladies.)

After the choir had given a song, and prayer had been offered the congregation adjourned, wishing very much to hear Mr. Bickett again.

H. J.

### Base-Ball.

The Youngsville team came over on Monday and crossed bats with the Louisburg boys. Quite a large crowd was attracted to the grounds in the Graded School campus, and the game was called promptly at 4 o'clock, with J. A. Turner as Umpire.

The batteries were Youngsville, Purgurson and Riddick. Louisburg, Yarboro and Wyatt. At the start the game promised to be very interesting, but before the second inning had been completed it was very apparent that the Louisburg boys were "out-classed," and they soon came to the conclusion that in order to play ball, it was absolutely necessary to have a little "practice."

Although one-sided the game was very much enjoyed. Everything passed off orderly and very little "kicking" was indulged in, even at the occasional seeming error of the "dignified" umpire.

A number of very good plays were made, and the pitcher and catcher of the Youngsville team did some fine playing. The score was 23 to 3 in favor of Youngsville. Harris and Hardester of the Youngsville team made three base hits, and Riddick of the same team made a two base hit. Purgurson struck out 17, Underwood 8, Yarboro 4, and Beck 3.

Professor Conley, Dr. I. G. Riddick, Messrs. B. A. Timberlake, Joe Wilson, David Spivey, Marvin Perry, Lee Winston, R. C. Underwood, Ira Fuller, and a number of others from Youngsville, came down to cheer the boys up.

Our boys took their defeat very philosophically, and say that in a few weeks they will be in trim to play the Youngsville boys again.

## MR. G. S. EARP SHOT.

### A COWARDLY ACT COMMITTED IN THE DARK.

Induced to Come out From His House by a Gun Shot, and Then Shot Without a Word of Warning.

A most dastardly and fiendish act was committed in town on Monday night, when G. S. Earp, a special policeman, was induced by a gun shot to come out from his house. He heard the explosion of the gun a few minutes after he had retired, about ten o'clock, and also heard the shot strike the house. He arose and walked out to his porch in his night clothes, and a close look around the premises disclosed two men standing or squatting a short distance from his dwelling. He went back in the house, slipped on his pants and taking his pistol walked out in the yard. The two objects were still in the yard, and upon asking them their business he was fired upon with a shot gun, quite a number of shot taking effect in his right arm, side and leg. He then turned to go back into the house and received another shot on the left side. The fiends then fled.

Dr. J. J. Mann was called in and dressed the wounds, and found that none of the wounds were necessarily fatal.

The next thought was who could have done the shooting? Suspicion rested upon two negroes, Marcus and Geo. Ruffin, one of whom had been arrested by Earp on Saturday before for disorderly conduct. He had been heard to make threats, and evidence was soon secured to justify the issuance of a warrant of arrest.

A preliminary hearing was had before Mayor Yarborough on Wednesday morning, and Sam Champion, a white man, testified that he met these two negroes, (Marcus having a gun under his arm) a short while before the shooting took place, and they were going in the direction of Earp's house. The defendants endeavored to prove an alibi by several of their own race, but the Mayor was not satisfied, and held them in bonds of \$500 each for their appearance at next term of the Superior Court.

There is right much indignation among our people that such a dastardly and cowardly act should be committed in our town, and there is a determination on the part of our law-abiding citizens to probe the matter to the bottom.

While the evidence, so far, against the Ruffins, is all circumstantial, there is a strong sentiment that they are the guilty parties.

### Dr. Hatch on Prohibition.

Why I favor prohibition. First of all because it is my duty as a Christian to do all in my power to save men from destruction, to save mothers and children from suffering and want, and to relieve all manner of suffering that is common wherever liquor is manufactured, sold, or drunk. I consider myself a good prohibitionist in the sense, that we say a good party man is when he votes for the nominee of his party, whether he likes him or not.

There are some features in the prohibition bill to be ratified or rejected by the people on the 26th of May, that one objection. I fear some druggist will abuse the privilege a tax will allow them. I fear they may violate the law while they are supposed to sell only for medicine as the law prescribes. I fear the law will be debauched. I fear that some doctors will do harm by writing prescriptions indiscriminately and in violation of the law. I fear that some of our officers may allow violators to go unpunished for different reasons. I

fear there will spring up among druggists who may handle whiskey a kind of union that will be little less powerful, than the ordinary union of the old styled bar keepers. I fear municipalities will impose such a tax on druggists, who handle whiskey for medicine as provided by the law, as to invite violation of the same, as has been seen in towns where the sale of whiskey has been in the druggists hands, we have found that some have shown themselves to be ordinary bar keepers. What good will come of changing from one class of men to another the privilege to sell whiskey and why the expense of holding an election only to bring about this change.

However, I shall vote for prohibition in North Carolina, because it is my privilege and duty, then if the law shall be ratified and allowed to be loosely kept the responsibility rests not on me.

Before closing I would ask Mr. Plummer Davis if he remembers the Lord's prayer, that part especially that says: "Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil." If in voting against prohibition we are not leading into or putting temptation before men, as in voting for prohibition we are delivering men from evil. So with all the objections to the law and all the reasons against it. I believe prohibition is right.

So let us hope there will be such unity of thought and such oneness in voting on the 26th of May, that this one great curse shall be driven from our borders.

P. R. HATCH.

### Death of Mrs. C. H. McLaurin.

The remains of Mrs. C. H. McLaurin, formerly Miss Pearl Pearce, were brought to Louisburg yesterday morning for interment. Her death occurred at the home of her husband in Columbia, S. C. She was the youngest daughter of the late John Pearce. She leaves a husband, two little girls, a mother, Mrs. Ida Pearce, a sister, Mrs. J. A. Tucker and two brothers, Messrs. D. G. and R. A. Pearce. Her age was 27 years. She was a member of the Methodist church, in which faith she lived and died. The bereaved family have the sympathy of a host of friends and acquaintances.

The funeral services took place in the Methodist church yesterday morning conducted by Rev. H. A. Humble, of Weldon, her former pastor, and the interment took place at the Cemetery.

The following were the pall-bearers:

Capt. P. G. Alston, J. R. Collie, J. E. Thomas, W. M. Boone, Claude Tucker and E. F. Yarborough.

The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful.

Mrs. Ida Pearce, Mr. McLaurin and two brothers, Mr. J. A. Tucker and wife, and the two little children of the deceased accompanied the body from Columbia.

### Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, in the providence of Almighty God, our esteemed Secretary, Bro. Arthur Woodhief, of Ionic Lodge No. 337, A. F. & A. M., was called from labor to rest March 14th 1908, we therefore resolve that Ionic Lodge has lost one of its truest and most faithful members; that the widow and children of our deceased brother have lost a loving and tender husband and father and that the community has lost one of its most valuable citizens.

That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the Orphans Friend and FRANKLIN TIMES for publication. And a copy be sent to the family of deceased and one spread on our minutes. Kirtrell, N. C., May 1st 1908.

P. B. SMITH,  
IRA T. HUNT,  
H. G. STAMET,  
Committee.

## THE MOVING PEOPLE.

### THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Those Who Have Visited Louisburg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere for Business or Pleasure.

Mrs. A. J. Cooke, of Chase City, Va. is visiting at Mrs. E. S. Foster's.

Mrs. E. W. Timberlake, of Wake Forest, is visiting friends in Louisburg.

Mrs. T. A. Sills and son, James of Nashville, were in Louisburg yesterday to attend the funeral of Mrs. C. H. McLaurin.

Mrs. E. F. Nowell and two little sons and Miss Rita Fuller paid the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh a short visit to see little Minnie and Willie Nowell last week.

Mr. T. A. Person and wife of Greenville, N. C., arrived last week to spend some time in Louisburg. Mr. Person returned to Greenville this week, but will return in a few days.

Messrs. F. B. McKinne, L. P. Hicks, E. Odum, W. A. Jones, and Mrs. F. B. McKinne attended the District Conference at Franklinton this week. They report a large attendance, and magnificent entertainment.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING.

In the Interest of Prohibition and Education—Bickett and Ruffin to Speak at the Baptist Church Friday Night.

A mass meeting of the people of Louisburg and vicinity will be held in the Baptist church to night (Friday) in the interest of prohibition and education. T. W. Bickett will deliver an address on the subject of prohibition and Mr. W. H. Ruffin will speak in advocacy of the continuance of the Graded School. To add to the interest of the occasion, a fine musical programme has been arranged as will be seen from the following order of exercises:

Song—"Onward Christian Soldiers."

Prayer—by Rev. G. M. Duke.

Anthem—"The King of Love."

Prohibition Address by Hon. T. W. Bickett.

Solo and Chorus—"Where is my Wandering Boy to-night."

Address—"Shall our Graded School be continued?"

Song—"God Save Our Native Land."

Everybody is invited to attend. The Committee who have the meeting in charge urge that every man and every woman who feels an interest in either of the two great subjects of prohibition and education to be present. Those who favor either of them should lend the support of their presence, and those who are opposed to either should be willing to hear these matters discussed upon the high plane of which the personality of the speakers is a guarantee. The church has a large seating capacity and every one desiring to come is assured of a welcome and a comfortable seat. The meeting will begin at eight o'clock.

### COMMITTEE.

### Graded School Notes.

The closing of the Graded School takes place on the 15th, when the address will be delivered by Hon. E. W. Post, at night.

On Friday, the 15th, between the hours of 1 and 2.30, the teachers will be glad to have the patrons of the school, and the public generally, to visit the school.

When a man marries a girl for her beautiful face and graceful form the joke is apt to be on him later.