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## FRANKLIN SUPER COURT.

### THE TRIAL OF STATE DOCKET COMPLETED FRIDAY.

#### The Sentence of "Dollar" Davis Ten Years—That of Lewis Perry Five Years—Civil Docket Taken up Friday Evening.

The January term of Franklin Superior Court which began on the 18th, is still in session at this writing (Wednesday evening).

The following business was transacted after the close of our last week's report:

State vs Duncan Bullock and Lula Gay, f. & a., defendant Bullock called and failed, judgment nisi set aside and capias as to Bullock. Lula allowed time to give bond.

State vs Uleots Fogg, c o w., \$15 and costs.

State vs R. A. Pearce and Wilcox, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

State vs Wesley K. Williams and Charlie Speed, larceny, judgment suspended on payment of costs as to Williams, 12 months on roads as to Speed.

State vs J. H. Wood, appeal by prosecuting witness. Judgment that prosecuting witness pay the costs.

State vs Aroh Howell, larceny, judgment suspended on payment of half costs.

State vs Hugh or "Dollar" Davis, secret assault, ten years in penitentiary.

State vs Lewis Perry, secret assault, five years in penitentiary.

The civil docket was taken up Friday evening of last week, and the following cases had been tried up to close of our report:

K. P. Hill vs Penny Mitchell, verdict for plaintiff.

Sallie Wilson vs Ernest Wilson, divorce, verdict for defendant, set aside to enable plaintiff to get further evidence.

Collie and Wiggins vs Foss Gas Engine Co; verdict for plaintiffs.

Greenleaf Johnson Co; vs County Commissioners, order of reference allowed.

McKinne Bros. vs Martin, verdict for defendant.

Wilder against Wilder, suit to break will of Wilder, deceased; mistrial.

Court will adjourn for the term today.

#### A Visit to Raleigh.

Misses Annie Allen, Maude Hicks, Francis Thomas, Carrie Marrow, Marguerite Harris, Lizzie Gardner, Willie De Thomas and Elisabeth Joyner of the Senior class of Louisburg College, chaperoned by Miss Grant and Mr. Allen, spent Monday in Raleigh. They were met at the station by Senators B. T. Holden, of Franklin, Ben Gay, of Northampton, and Dr. Bolton, representative from Northampton, who took them in charge making the day one long to be remembered.

After attending the opening of the Senate and visiting the House, they were given a private reception by Gov. Kitchen. We have not learned the purpose of that interview, it may have been to beg clemency for having broken some one's heart, or to seek an indulgence permitting them to do a little flirting as they speedily visited the A. & M. College. S.

#### The Lay Movement.

At the recent annual Methodist Conference at Durham, Dr. A. B. Zollicoffer, a zealous church worker and christian gentleman, was placed at the head of what is known as the "Lay Movement" in the Conference. The Doctor was in Louisburg last Sunday, and at the 11 o'clock service in the Methodist church, he gave a very impressive explanation of what the "Lay Movement" was and what it meant for the church and christianity in the world. He

was greeted by a large congregation and his talk of about an hour's length was listened to attentively throughout—some of his audience exclaiming as they came out of the church, "that was the best sermon I have heard in years." If the members of all the churches could mount the high plane of christian living to which this good man has attained, the christianization of the world would soon be at hand. Our people will be glad to see the Doctor often.

#### Current Literature.

The Current Literature Club met with Mrs. T. W. Bickert on Tuesday afternoon and arranged a definite programme for the year, the subject of which will be Rome and Italy. The members are invited to meet with Mrs. Robert Davis on Thursday afternoon, February 4th, promptly at 3 o'clock. The programme for that afternoon will be as follows:

#### THE VOYAGE.

Roll call—responses about Italy. Lesson Review. Paper—My trip to Italy, ship, route, expenses, etc. May study of Italy. Reading. The lesson assignment will be as follows: Roman history, chapters 1, 2 and 3. Magazine article, Rome of today.

#### QUESTIONS.

I. Roman History.—How did Rome first influence the world? What were the physical conditions of the Peninsula of Italy? How were the first inhabitants of Rome divided? With what does the legendary history of Rome begin? What was the first Italian city? Give the story of its foundation. What of the succession during the next 300 years? Tell story of Romulus and Remus. What was the rape of the Sabine and in what did it result? After the death of Romulus who was chosen King? Give a Resume of Numa's reign. Who was Numa's successor, and how did his policy differ from Numa's. Give the story of the conflict between the Romans and the Albans. Who succeeded Tullus and what policy was carried on? Into what two orders were the Roman people divided? Who was meant by the "Populus Romanus"? What was the struggle between the Patricians and Plebeians? What were some of the differences between Plebeians and slaves? What are the three parts of a Roman name? II. Magazine Study—Rome of today. Why is tourist disillusioned on first reaching Rome? Who voices this disappointment? Give as nearly as possible his words. What does the author say of this regret? How does Rome today compare with the Rome Hawthorne describes in his "Transformation"? What great military victory ushered in a new era for Rome. What accommodation can the traveler find in Rome? What of the healthfulness and the climate of Rome? Tell of its wonderful water supply? Describe the "Scala di Spagna"? Describe the Protestant cemetery. How many churches has Rome? Describe three parks and gardens. How do the common people regard conditions of country? What is tradition of Fountain Trevi? The members are earnestly requested to familiarize themselves with this part of Roman history, and with the map of Italy.

Mrs. T. W. BICKERT, Pres.

#### Silver Tea.

On Tuesday evening of last week the ladies of the Home Missionary Society gave a most delightful social entertainment in the parlors of the Methodist parsonage. Our genial pastor, and his refined, gentle wife was a charming host and hostess, and with a gracious cordiality, they and their assistants made every guest feel thoroughly at home.

Not long after entering each one was presented with paper and pencil and requested to write answers to several questions, the stipulation being made that these replies were to be expressed in words beginning with the initials of the writer. The ladies who had the affair in charge had prepared most appetizing refreshments, a delicious salad course followed by coffee and wafers. After partaking of these the crowd assembled to hear the answers to the difficult queries. These were read aloud by Mr. F. B. McKinne and, by their ingenious brightness and wit, provoked much laughter and applause. All voted it a most pleasant evening and the ladies appreciated very sincerely the nice little sum realized from the donations in silver coins, which were given to help them in their laudable work. M.

#### Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll of White Level School for month ending January 15th, 1909:

1st Grade—Ethel Davis, Esther Conn, Matina Murray, Myrtle Dickens, Bettie Murphy, Chessie Murphy, Johnnie Leonard, Nannie Gupton, Emmett Gupton, Paul Wester, Madison Davis, Emmitt Lancaster, Dwight Parrish, Mary Collins, Marnie Collins, Eddie Collins, Bryant Collins, Ira Gilliam, Lonnie Gupton, Dolly House, Frank Collins.

2nd Grade—Alfred Bowden, Mamie Debnam, Cleo Gilliam, Lucy Murphy, Willie Murphy, Onnie Bowden, Beulah Dorsey, Suoher Dorsey, Bessie Wester, Willis Gupton, Rosa Lancaster, Viola Pearce, Charlie Wood.

3rd Grade—Alice Leonard, Noble Collins, Edgar Bowden, Buck Davis, Fannie Gupton, Clyde Murphy, Eugene Conn, Mollie Conn, Duther Collins, Annie Davis, Hattie Davis, Blanche Wester, Bettie Leonard.

4th Grade—Lizzie Gilliam, Mary Sturdivant, Eddie Brewer, Annie Brewer, Annie Leonard, Libby Leonard, Polly Collins, Frank Bartholomew, Ophelia Debnam, Norman Dickens, John W. Harper, Johnnie Murphy, Lula Dorsey, Lettie Leonard, Lena Murray, Annie Gupton.

5th Grade—Lillian Harper, Emmitt Brewer, Effie Browne, Nolie Collins.

6th Grade—Mabel Sturdivant, Annie Collins, Ovie Bartholomew.

7th Grade—Clyde Bartholomew, Jackye Bartholomew.

8th Grade—Haywood Harper.

T. H. SLEDGE, Teacher.

#### Bunn Items.

A concert will be given at Bunn High School on Monday night, February 22nd, in honor of Washington's birthday. The concert will be followed by a box party, the proceeds of which will be used in the interest of the school library. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

On last Wednesday, Mr. Wibourn Mullen and Miss Blanche Hollingsworth were joined in matrimony at the home of the bride's mother. Rev. J. H. Nanney officiating. The young couple have our best wishes for a long and happy life.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly White who were married on the 8th of December, last, moved into their new residence last week. Some of the boys gave them a lively serenade.

Our people are very hopeful concerning the new railroad which is being built in the direction of our village, but some of us are like doubting Thomas. We must see before we believe.

## 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. D. F. McKinne spent Tuesday in Raleigh.

Mrs. Willis Boddie is visiting relatives in Nashville.

Mrs. B. F. Carpenter spent Tuesday in Franklinton.

Miss Urtie Harrison, of Littleton, is visiting friends in town.

Mr. Murray Allen, of Raleigh, was here this week on professional business.

Mrs. E. M. Bragg and children, of Oxford, are visiting her father, W. E. Tucker, Esq.

Messrs. W. P. Edwards and D. E. Barkley, of Franklinton, were in town this week.

Mr. J. C. Conway returned one day last week from a short business trip to Rocky Mount.

Willis W. Holding, a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Wake Forest died on Tuesday.

Messrs. W. K. Martin, Senior and Junior, of Wake Forest, were among those who attended court this week.

Dr. Arthur Hynes Fleming left Tuesday for Oxford, where he will do some dental work for the Orphan.

Miss Mary Zollicoffer, of Weldon, a graduate of Louisburg College, was a visitor at the college during the past week.

Miss Onnie Tucker, who is teaching in the High School at Kittrell, spent last Sunday with her people in Louisburg.

Mrs. T. S. Gill, of Henderson, who has been visiting her old home near Castalia, visited friends and relatives in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Justice, who have been visiting Mrs. T. B. Wheeler in Scotland Neck, returned to their home at Royal last week.

Mr. C. A. Oates, of Clinton, N. C., who has been spending some time with Mr. F. W. Justice, at Royal, left for his home last week.

Mr. F. C. Toepelman, the popular Superintendent of the Telephone Company, was in town the last week, looking after the interest of his company.

Mr. J. B. Ramsay, a prominent lawyer of Rocky Mount, was in Louisburg this week, on professional business, and the editor was pleased to have a call from him.

His host of friends in this county were glad to shake the hand of Mr. F. S. Spruill, of Rocky Mount, who attended court here last and this week. He was counsel in a number of important cases.

Mrs. E. W. Furgerson and Mrs. E. C. Perry will go to Apex today to visit their sister, Mrs. R. B. Beasley, and Miss Jodie Tucker, who has been spending the past three weeks with Mrs. Beasley, will return home today.

Messrs. C. T. Stokes and A. A. Clifton, who left here several days ago to take in the trip to Cuba, returned home last Friday. They seem to be very much pleased with their trip and say they had a splendid time.

The following from Louisburg went out to Raleigh Monday evening to see "Calve" and seemed well pleased with the performance: W. P. Neal and wife, T. W. Watson and wife, Mrs. A. H. Fleming, Miss Sallie Williams.

Mr. Pinekney J. May, a native of Louisburg, and who left here 29 years ago to make his home in Indiana, has been visiting his old home the past fifteen days. He greatly enjoyed his stay here, as he informs us, and was loth to say good-

bye to his many friends, as he left this week to return to his Indiana home, but as his time had expired, his duties required his return. He took with him one of his little grandnieces, the daughter of J. A. Faulkner, who he will raise and educate.

#### Square Dance.

The TIMES is requested to announce that there will be an old fashioned "Square Dance" in the Opera House tonight, (Friday) when all the ladies will be admitted free. An admission of 50 cents will be charged all gentlemen dancers. They have secured a good "figure" caller, and the boys say that they are anticipating a fine time.

#### Pleasant Country Dance.

Miss Elsie Morris spared her many friends the time Friday night January 22nd for a pleasant country dance followed by an Oyster Party at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harris. Excellent music by Messrs. Sam Dickerson, "Sea Lion" and "Jupiters." Those present were little Miss Mary Gray Harris, the jolliest of the crowd, Misses Repsy Young, Olive, Hattie and "Dumps" Floyd, Nannie, Gerch, Sallie and "Lix" Harris, Susie Morris, Mrs. T. C. Harris and Elsie Morris, Messrs. Matthew Wilder, Needmore, Wyatt Freeman, Charlie Sherwood, J. E. Wilder, Charlie Floyd, J. J. and Jube Young, Fenner Spivey, J. T. Baker, Grover, John, J. E. and T. C. Harris, Master J. P. Timberlake and Colonel Young.

T.

#### Enforce The Law.

The Star opposed the prohibition bill recently ratified by the people because it was unfair—being based on the principle of "heads" I win, tails, you "lose"—because we believed its adoption would weaken the Democratic party in the State (as it did) and because we believe local option is the fairest and most practical solution of the liquor problem.

But the prohibition bill having been endorsed by the people by more than forty thousand majority will become a law and will go into effect next Friday.

Now, we say, enforce the law. Give it a fair trial during the next two years. If it proves a success let it stand as it is. If it proves a failure let the Legislature of 1911 take such action as the then prevailing conditions may warrant. But the Legislature to meet next month should let this prohibition question severely alone. Let us have no more agitation over the liquor question, at least until the present law has been fairly tested. The Star hopes the authorities will call into action every legitimate agency in its power in its efforts to show the people that a law, whether "good, bad or indifferent," must be rigidly enforced so long as it is on the statute books. If the law proves ineffective there will be found a remedy two years hence. In the meantime crush the "blind tigers" that are sure to come. They ought to be suppressed not only because they are lawbreakers, but because the vile stuff they sell tends to make criminals of the buyers.—Wilmington Star.

#### Senator Overman.

The unanimous re-nomination of Senator Overman by the Democrats of the legislature in joint caucus had so long been a foregone conclusion that it calls for but brief comment. This action of the caucus reflected not only the unanimous wish of all Democrats but, we believe, a unanimous verdict of approbation proceeding from wholesome and intelligent public opinion with-out regard to party. It is a well recognized fact that Senator Overman's re-election candidacy was a distinct element of Democratic strength in the last campaign. The

Senator, the first choice of all Democrats was also the first choice among Democrats of all good, Republicans. It only remains to say that in his one term he has gained at Washington a prestige which agrees well with the esteem in which he is held by his people at home. A Senator of more attractive personality, a Senator of sounder qualifications for constructive statesmanship, a Senator who looks the part more indisputably, the Senate has not often seen. In every respect Senator Overman represents his State with marked and constantly growing distinction. The people of North Carolina cannot be said to lack sound political instinct so long as they accord such men their highest honors.—Charlotte Observer.

#### Develops No Scandal.

The legislative committee appointed to investigate State office reports a poor system of book-keeping is vogue in a number of places in the public service. Especially is the Insurance Department in bad shape in this respect. Though no dishonesty on the part of any one connected with the State Insurance Department or any of the other State departments is alleged. There is no need to make a mountain out of conditions that now appear to be only of mole-hill significance. That the book-keeping has been defective and inadequate is apparent, but no suspicion of crookedness has developed.—Kinston Free Press.

#### Church Services.

The Sunday night services in the Methodist and Baptist churches now commence at 7:30. And the Wednesday and Thursday night prayer meetings will commence at the same hour.

#### Box Party at Hickory Rock.

There will be a box party at Hickory Rock Academy on Saturday night, February 6th, 1909. Proceeds to go to the betterment of the school. All are cordially invited.

H.

#### Ten and Five Years.

The sentence of "Dollar" Davis, colored, who was convicted last week of secretly assaulting Policeman Earp, was ten years at hard labor in the penitentiary, while that of Lewis Perry, who submitted as being an accessory, was five years. The sentences seem to be generally commended.

#### Better Let Well Enough Alone.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature to provide a "no fence" law for the whole State. It is estimated now that about four-fifths of the State is already under the operation of "no fence" laws. One of the contentions of the forestry interests is that the running at-large of the swine, for instance, prevents the growth of the young long-leaf pines in the eastern section of the State. Then it is contended that there is no justice in a land-owner having to invest thousands of dollars in fences for no other purpose than to keep other folks' stock off his lands; that the only just course is to require all owners of stock to keep them on their own lands or the lands to which they have rental claims. All of which is correct. But inasmuch as the stock law has been extended by local option, so to speak—by legislative enactments for counties or districts or by local elections—the people in non-stock law territory will hardly take kindly to the idea to legislate them in by wholesale. Better stick to the regular way.—Stateville Landmark.

The Times agrees with the Landmark, that the Legislators will get wise to let "well enough alone," and allow the people to adopt the stock law in such territories where a majority votes for it.