

State Library

## BODY OF BABY FOUND.

### MUCH EXCITEMENT AROUSED—INQUEST HELD.

#### Evidence Before Coroner's Inquest Point to Dick Gardner and Wife Gladys Gardner Arrested but Released.

The finding of the dead body of a white infant in our neighboring town, of Franklinton on Tuesday morning created right much excitement among the good people of that town, and in response to a telephone message from Chief of Police A. B. Cooke, the County Coroner, Mr. J. A. Turner, left on the next train to investigate the matter. He was satisfied, after hearing a few facts that the baby was killed and placed in the culvert where it was found by section Master Raefield, and he proceeded at once to summon the following as a jury of inquest: I. H. Kearney, B. T. Green, R. A. Pruitt, S. D. Duke, J. D. Speed, J. E. Nicholson.

They made a full and thorough investigation, examined a number of witnesses, among them, G. L. Whitfield, A. B. Cooke, Dr. A. R. Winston, B. F. King, J. T. Raefield and others.

Upon the evidence gotten from these witnesses the jury returned as their verdict, (in substance) that all the circumstances pointed to the guilt of Dick Gardner and his wife Gladys Gardner white, who were in Franklinton about three weeks ago with a theatrical company. Upon the rendering of this verdict by the jury Coroner Turner, made his report to the Clerk of the Court, and upon the advice of Solicitor Daniels, swore out a warrant before B. B. Massenburg, J. P., for the arrest of the parties, who, it was ascertained, were in Roanoke Rapids Tuesday night. Deputy Sheriff H. A. Kearney and Chief High drove to Franklinton Tuesday night and took the train for Roanoke Rapids, where the Gardners had already been arrested by the Chief of Police, under telephone orders from the Sheriff. They were brought to Louisburg on the Shoo Fly Wednesday morning, where they were given a preliminary hearing before Justice Massenburg, the defendants being represented by W. H. Yarborough, Jr.

The following witnesses were examined in the order named: J. T. Raefield who testified to finding the body of the infant. Dr. A. R. Winston, who made an autopsy of the body. He testified that in his opinion the baby was born alive as a test of its lungs furnished evidence of breathing and that there were signs of a liek on top of the head, and blood running out of the nose. G. L. Whitfield, proprietor of the hotel at whose place the Gardners stopped while in Franklinton, testified that Mrs. Gardner was sick and remained in her room most of the time she was in Franklinton, that one night while they were there, he heard a noise at the front door, after midnight, and upon opening the door, found Gardner standing in his night clothes, with a bucket in his hand. Upon being asked what he was doing out there at that time of night he answered that his wife was sick and he had only been to throw out some slops. Witness said he enquired to know if there was anything he could do for them, and Gardner replied "no she is better now." Witness upon cross examination said that he heard Gardner when he went out the door, and that he remained out only a few minutes. (A night latch fastened the door when he went out.) B. F. King, the clerk in the hotel, testified to the condition of the room, &c. Chief of Police Cooke testified that the body was wrapped with a small piece of cloth and part of a nightgown.

The Charlotte Observer and Raleigh evening Times. He had other

## THE TOWN AROUSED.

### NIGHT POLICEMAN HARRIS TERRIBLY "EMBARRASSED."

#### Ghost—Hobgoblins—Robbers—Night Riders, And Many Other Ghastly Sights Loom up Before Him.

Tuesday night will long be remembered by quite a number of our citizens. About 2 o'clock phone bells began to ring, and the alarm came from "central" that the town was full of "robbers on horse back" that special Night Policeman Allen Harris had been "run in," tied "hand and foot" and was helpless to combat with the "Night Riders" or whatever it was prowling around the streets.

Of course the first thought of nearly every one was of "bank robbers" with winchesters, carbines, etc., and although many of our "brave" citizens who can ordinarily be depended upon "in the light" felt it their duty to respond to the alarm, yet they had a kind of weak feeling, and the heart-beats came thick and fast. "It was certainly a long time," said Harris, before any one responded. Finally Mr. Geo. W. Ford, was seen winding his way, carefully, and noiselessly down the "dark" side of the street, with a bed slat in his hand. Calling to the policeman, he said to have enquired cautiously, "where are they?" "There they go," exclaimed the embarrassed policeman, "halt! halt!" demanded Mr. Ford, and advancing upon the objects in front they came upon an innocent horse that had gotten loose from one of the livery stables.

By this time the authorities had ordered the electric lights (they are out off at 12.30), turned on, and in the course of probably a half hour several more of our "brave" citizens were seen to emerge from their hiding places behind corners and goods boxes. They "boldly" came out in the light, prepared to combat with the bravest of the brave. "What does all this mean Harris?" they asked. "Why gentlemen, I know I saw several men on the court square, and others walking around the banks, while others rode up and down the streets at break neck speed, and when I hailed to the two nearest the Mayor's office and they refused to answer, I fired into them. They ran off, but those near the banks lingered around until the street lights came on, and then they moved off." And no man was ever more in earnest, apparently, than

## Why the Docket is Congested.

Recently Judge Biggs held court in a neighboring county. On the second day after it convened the judge felt called upon to adjourn court because one of the lawyers who had a number of cases on docket was absent trying to get an office for himself. Lawyers are as much responsible for the congested condition of the court dockets in some counties in this State as judges are. In some instances lawyers have cases continued from court to court, their object being to defeat the ends of justice. If all the judges and all the lawyers would do their full duty, as some of them do when they appear in court, the people would not hear so much talk of congested dockets.—Sanford Express.

## Farmers Warehouse Sold.

We learn that Allen Brothers have sold their large brick tobacco warehouse, and that it will continue to be run as the "Farmers Mutual Tobacco Company." The names of the purchasers will be published next week.

## Kind Words.

The Louisburg Times has entered on its thirty-ninth volume. It is one of the most influential and useful papers in North Carolina. Reasons: its editor always makes it a power for whatever will advance the best interests of the State—educational, political, moral. That is the only sort of county paper that is of value—one that is in close touch with the people and is "racy of the soil."—News and Observer.

## U. D. C.

The merthly meeting of the Jos. J. Davis Chapter will be held in the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday, March 3rd, at 3:30 p. m.

A full and prompt attendance is desired, as several matters of importance will come before the chapter. And the meeting will be opened promptly at the hour named.

Mrs. J. E. MALONE, Pres.  
Mrs. R. H. DAVIS, Secy.

## 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.

Mr. Seaman and wife, of New York, are visiting at Mr. Wm. Bailey's.

Dr. R. P. Floyd came in from Raleigh and spent Saturday in Louisburg.

Mrs. W. H. Wertham, of Durham, visited the family of Mr. G. W. Murphy the past week.

Messrs. W. F. Beasley, J. R. Collier, G. W. Ford and E. S. Ford spent Wednesday in Raleigh.

Capt. Franc N. Cooke, of the U. S. Army, whose post is now at Charleston, S. C., is on a visit to his people in Louisburg.

Among those of our citizens who went to Norfolk to see the "Return of the Fleet" were the following: R. C. Beck, Dr. A. H. Fleming, H. E. Hight, W. E. Uzell, F. W. Hicks, S. P. Boddie, F. R. Pleasants, N. B. Allbrook, P. R. White, Senator B. T. Holden. They report a delightful time and "say" they were well paid for their trip.

## Would be a Graceful Thing.

For some time Mr. James A. Robinson, editor of the Durham Daily Sun, has been engaged in the very laudable undertaking of raising funds with which to place a set of chimes in St. Philips Episcopal church in Durham. The idea was conceived in a spirit of gratitude to the Great Physician for his recovery from a sever illness which came very near terminating fatally.

When its great prize contest was announced by the News and Observer, some of Mr. Robinson's friends made the suggestion that it would be the handsome and graceful thing to vote for him and thus enable him to win one of these prizes to help along his chimes fund.

A good idea which the Gold Leaf heartily seconds. Mr. Robinson's friends throughout the State can help him to make the chimes ring all the sooner and more sweetly by dropping in a few votes for him—sending their new subscriptions and renewals to the News and Observer and telling them to place the ballots on the Durham Sun man.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

The Times joins the Gold Leaf in the above expressions regarding a most highly esteemed "Brother Chip" and the editor would be glad for any of his friends who contemplate subscribing for or renewing their subscriptions to the News-Observer, to remember Bro. Robinson.

## 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.

Mr. Seaman and wife, of New York, are visiting at Mr. Wm. Bailey's.

Dr. R. P. Floyd came in from Raleigh and spent Saturday in Louisburg.

Mrs. W. H. Wertham, of Durham, visited the family of Mr. G. W. Murphy the past week.

Messrs. W. F. Beasley, J. R. Collier, G. W. Ford and E. S. Ford spent Wednesday in Raleigh.

Capt. Franc N. Cooke, of the U. S. Army, whose post is now at Charleston, S. C., is on a visit to his people in Louisburg.

Among those of our citizens who went to Norfolk to see the "Return of the Fleet" were the following: R. C. Beck, Dr. A. H. Fleming, H. E. Hight, W. E. Uzell, F. W. Hicks, S. P. Boddie, F. R. Pleasants, N. B. Allbrook, P. R. White, Senator B. T. Holden. They report a delightful time and "say" they were well paid for their trip.

## Interesting Statement of Public School Work.

The regular monthly meeting of the Teachers Association was held last Saturday. Every school in the county but five was represented. The assigned lessons in Recitations and Arithmetic were discussed by Supts. Sams and Mills. A very interesting feature was a tabulated statement on the blackboard showing the enrollment made this year in the white schools and the average attendance during the month of January. This statement was prepared by Supt. White from reports made by the teachers the week preceding. Much interest was manifested in this and especially in the prizes offered by the Times for the largest enrollment and the best percentage of attendance. For the benefit of our readers we print the statement in full:

## DUNNS

Enrollment	Average Attendance
1. Pearce	113 92
2. Social Plains	15 15
3. Pine Ridge	80 68
4. Pilot	110 90
5. Bann	115 92

## HARRIS

1. Math Rock	61 30
2. Clifton	48 30
3. Hew Hope	69 45
4. Rock Springs	35 26
5. Riley	47 39
6. Prospect	81 17
7. Freeman	38 17

## YOUNGSVILLE

1. Garner	40 26
3. Oak Level	89 26
4. Tharrington	39 28
5. Flat Rock	58 35

## FRANKLINTON

2. Pope	48 34
3. Mt. Olivet	39 37
4. Mitchiners	47 37
5. Katesville	25 16

## HAYESVILLE

1. Balance Rock	12 10
2. Wynn	39 23
3. Epcom	81 51
4. Whitaker	32 27

## SANDY CREEK

1. Laurel	27 16
2. Moulton	45 30
3. Ingleside	88 41
4. Kearney	36 29
5. Mountain	65 47
6. Alston	34 26

## GOLD MINE

1. Centreville	60 30
2. Wood	82 37
3. Sandy Creek	60 37
4. Pearce	33 24
5. of five	20 17

## CEDAR ROCK

1. Bab Rock	48 28
2. Justice	48 16
3. Cedar Rock	121 93

## Combination Offer

The Franklin Times, The Farmer and Mechanic and Weekly News and Observer, All For \$1.50

In order to furnish the people of this section with a variety of reading at a small cost, we have made arrangements by which we can send to all new subscribers to the Times and to those who pay up what they owe and one year in advance, the following:

The Franklin Times, The Farmer and Mechanic and The Weekly News-Observer. All For \$1.50.

The Farmer and Mechanic is what its name implies, contains 16 pages of good reading matter for the farm and household, and the Weekly News and Observer contains 8 pages of general and political news, while the Times contains 3 pages pertaining mainly to home affairs. Every family in the county should make a sacrifice to secure these three papers, which will give a sufficient supply of newspaper reading. Send in your names with the cash, or call at the Times office in Louisburg and let us fix you up at once.

## 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.

Mr. Seaman and wife, of New York, are visiting at Mr. Wm. Bailey's.

Dr. R. P. Floyd came in from Raleigh and spent Saturday in Louisburg.

Mrs. W. H. Wertham, of Durham, visited the family of Mr. G. W. Murphy the past week.

Messrs. W. F. Beasley, J. R. Collier, G. W. Ford and E. S. Ford spent Wednesday in Raleigh.

Capt. Franc N. Cooke, of the U. S. Army, whose post is now at Charleston, S. C., is on a visit to his people in Louisburg.

Among those of our citizens who went to Norfolk to see the "Return of the Fleet" were the following: R. C. Beck, Dr. A. H. Fleming, H. E. Hight, W. E. Uzell, F. W. Hicks, S. P. Boddie, F. R. Pleasants, N. B. Allbrook, P. R. White, Senator B. T. Holden. They report a delightful time and "say" they were well paid for their trip.

## Interesting Statement of Public School Work.

The regular monthly meeting of the Teachers Association was held last Saturday. Every school in the county but five was represented. The assigned lessons in Recitations and Arithmetic were discussed by Supts. Sams and Mills. A very interesting feature was a tabulated statement on the blackboard showing the enrollment made this year in the white schools and the average attendance during the month of January. This statement was prepared by Supt. White from reports made by the teachers the week preceding. Much interest was manifested in this and especially in the prizes offered by the Times for the largest enrollment and the best percentage of attendance. For the benefit of our readers we print the statement in full:

## DUNNS

Enrollment	Average Attendance
1. Pearce	113 92
2. Social Plains	15 15
3. Pine Ridge	80 68
4. Pilot	110 90
5. Bann	115 92

## HARRIS

1. Math Rock	61 30
2. Clifton	48 30
3. Hew Hope	69 45
4. Rock Springs	35 26
5. Riley	47 39
6. Prospect	81 17
7. Freeman	38 17

## YOUNGSVILLE

1. Garner	40 26
3. Oak Level	89 26
4. Tharrington	39 28
5. Flat Rock	58 35

## FRANKLINTON

2. Pope	48 34
3. Mt. Olivet	39 37
4. Mitchiners	47 37
5. Katesville	25 16

## HAYESVILLE

1. Balance Rock	12 10
2. Wynn	39 23
3. Epcom	81 51
4. Whitaker	32 27

## SANDY CREEK

1. Laurel	27 16
2. Moulton	45 30
3. Ingleside	88 41
4. Kearney	36 29
5. Mountain	65 47
6. Alston	34 26

## GOLD MINE

1. Centreville	60 30
2. Wood	82 37
3. Sandy Creek	60 37
4. Pearce	33 24
5. of five	20 17

## CEDAR ROCK

1. Bab Rock	48 28
2. Justice	48 16
3. Cedar Rock	121 93

## 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.

Mr. Seaman and wife, of New York, are visiting at Mr. Wm. Bailey's.

Dr. R. P. Floyd came in from Raleigh and spent Saturday in Louisburg.

Mrs. W. H. Wertham, of Durham, visited the family of Mr. G. W. Murphy the past week.

Messrs. W. F. Beasley, J. R. Collier, G. W. Ford and E. S. Ford spent Wednesday in Raleigh.

Capt. Franc N. Cooke, of the U. S. Army, whose post is now at Charleston, S. C., is on a visit to his people in Louisburg.

Among those of our citizens who went to Norfolk to see the "Return of the Fleet" were the following: R. C. Beck, Dr. A. H. Fleming, H. E. Hight, W. E. Uzell, F. W. Hicks, S. P. Boddie, F. R. Pleasants, N. B. Allbrook, P. R. White, Senator B. T. Holden. They report a delightful time and "say" they were well paid for their trip.

## Interesting Statement of Public School Work.

The regular monthly meeting of the Teachers Association was held last Saturday. Every school in the county but five was represented. The assigned lessons in Recitations and Arithmetic were discussed by Supts. Sams and Mills. A very interesting feature was a tabulated statement on the blackboard showing the enrollment made this year in the white schools and the average attendance during the month of January. This statement was prepared by Supt. White from reports made by the teachers the week preceding. Much interest was manifested in this and especially in the prizes offered by the Times for the largest enrollment and the best percentage of attendance. For the benefit of our readers we print the statement in full:

## DUNNS

Enrollment	Average Attendance
1. Pearce	113 92
2. Social Plains	15 15
3. Pine Ridge	80 68
4. Pilot	110 90
5. Bann	115 92

## HARRIS

1. Math Rock	61 30
2. Clifton	48 30
3. Hew Hope	69 45
4. Rock Springs	35 26
5. Riley	47 39
6. Prospect	81 17
7. Freeman	38 17

## YOUNGSVILLE

1. Garner	40 26
3. Oak Level	89 26
4. Tharrington	39 28
5. Flat Rock	58 35

## FRANKLINTON

2. Pope	48 34
3. Mt. Olivet	39 37
4. Mitchiners	47 37
5. Katesville	25 16

## HAYESVILLE

1. Balance Rock	12 10
2. Wynn	39 23
3. Epcom	81 51
4. Whitaker	32 27

## SANDY CREEK

1. Laurel	27 16
2. Moulton	45 30
3. Ingleside	88 41
4. Kearney	36 29
5. Mountain	65 47
6. Alston	34 26

## GOLD MINE

1. Centreville	60 30
2. Wood	82 37
3. Sandy Creek	60 37
4. Pearce	33 24
5. of five	20 17

## CEDAR ROCK

1. Bab Rock	48 28
2. Justice	48 16
3. Cedar Rock	121 93

## 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.

Mr. Seaman and wife, of New York, are visiting at Mr. Wm. Bailey's.

Dr. R. P. Floyd came in from Raleigh and spent Saturday in Louisburg.

Mrs. W. H. Wertham, of Durham, visited the family of Mr. G. W. Murphy the past week.

Messrs. W. F. Beasley, J. R. Collier, G. W. Ford and E. S. Ford spent Wednesday in Raleigh.

Capt. Franc N. Cooke, of the U. S. Army, whose post is now at Charleston, S. C., is on a visit to his people in Louisburg.

Among those of our citizens who went to Norfolk to see the "Return of the Fleet" were the following: R. C. Beck, Dr. A. H. Fleming, H. E. Hight, W. E. Uzell, F. W. Hicks, S. P. Boddie, F. R. Pleasants, N. B. Allbrook, P. R. White, Senator B. T. Holden. They report a delightful time and "say" they were well paid for their trip.

## Interesting Statement of Public School Work.

The regular monthly meeting of the Teachers Association was held last Saturday. Every school in the county but five was represented. The assigned lessons in Recitations and Arithmetic were discussed by Supts. Sams and Mills. A very interesting feature was a tabulated statement on the blackboard showing the enrollment made this year in the white schools and the average attendance during the month of January. This statement was prepared by Supt. White from reports made by the teachers the week preceding. Much interest was manifested in this and especially in the prizes offered by the Times for the largest enrollment and the best percentage of attendance. For the benefit of our readers we print the statement in full: