THE LENOIR TOPIC.

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When the Republican party had control of the State just after the war, they closed the University at Chapel Hill. Now they are in the saddle again and they are in a fair way to repeat their vandalism by destroying the Agricultural and Mechanical College. The Board of Trustees met last week and the work of spoliation began. Dr. H. B. Battle, State Chemist, was the first victim to fall under the spoliator's axe. This was accomplished by abolishing the office. Dr. Battle has made the North Carolina Experiment Station famous all over the South, and yet he must go just because Governor Russell has a spite at him. It is said his place cannot be filled without going out of the State to find a man. Prof. Irby was ousted in order to make room for E. G. Butler, a brother of Senator Butler, who gets a place worth $1,400 a year.

There were four Democrats on the Board and two of these, Dr. B. F. Dixon and H. G. Connor, became disgusted that they resigned from the meeting. Another one, a member of the executive committee, E. C. Cox, a Republican, has also resigned on account of the outrage which is being perpetrated. On being interviewed, he said:

"It is my belief, in fact I know that the intent of the Legislature was to take the college entirely out of politics. Because the contrary course was taken I resigned. The cutting of certain men off the faculty is merely an entering wedge. The purpose is to change all of President Holladay, and Governor Russell when I came here I promised I would fight the president. I told the Governor directly after I was appointed that he could count on me always. If there was politics in it I would vote for a Republican, but I did not count on me as to politics in the college. It is really a question whether J. C. L. Harris or J. B. Chamberlain shall preside. Chamberlain's course was actuated by malice. I do not know any other word which will describe it. He gave no reason for his action to the people. I said that if any charges were to be brought against any man I would move to appoint a committee of investigation. But this a charge that amounts to nothing was brought."

If such a course as this is pursued in it is only a question of a short time when the institution, the University in the dark days when the Republicans were in power before, will be abandoned to the owls and bats.

By a vote of 42 to 15, the Senate on last Tuesday, adopted an amendment to the tariff bill placing cotton on the dutiable list at 2½ cent. ad valorem. The amendment offered by Senator Bacon, of Georgia, without the consent of the Senate finance committee; but was immediately accepted by Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, who was at the time in charge of the bill. There was a long debate on the subject, and most of the Democrats opposed the amendment. Senator Vest was particularly antagonistic. He said that he believed that the Democratic platform warranted such a duty, he would not have touched it any sooner than he would have touched a rattlesnake, knowing that there was no whisky within 50 miles. This action would leave the Democrats entirely without argument. Senator Chilton, of Texas, said that the proposed duty could not possibly raise the price of manufactured goods. Other Democrats also had their say against the amendment. Six Democrats, including Turner and McLaurin, voted with the Republicans for the amendment.

Another Negro was lynched for the usual crime in northern latitudes last Wednesday. This time the lynching occurred in Princess Anne, Md. On May 5, William Andrews, a negro about 20 years of age, was arrested for criminal assault upon Mrs. Benjamin T. Kelly. An attempt was made to lynch the Negro at the time; but he was taken to Baltimore and confined in the jail of that city until he was brought back to Princess Anne Tuesday night for trial. A crowd gathered at once and planned a programme. Andrews was taken before the judge on Wednesday at noon, plead guilty and was sentenced to be hanged. As the Negro was being removed from the court room, some one shouted, "Come on boys and let's lynch the damned nigger." With this the crowd set upon Andrews and beat him with sticks and bludgeons until he was insensible. The fodgeman cut and begged the mob to allow the law to take its course but he might as well have talked to the wind. The crowd threw a rope around the neck of the dying man, dragged him to a tree 100 yards from the court house, threw the rope over a limb, and after firing a dozen bullets into the body, left it swinging. Those who participated in the lynching made no attempt whatever at disguise.

A New Jail

The County Commissioners are determined to build a new jail if possible. [illegible]

[illegible]

Did Blaine Advise a Fight

[illegible]

Local Items.

Mr. J. L. Storie has a new baby at his house which makes two boys. He is all right [illegible]

[illegible] McCall is constructing a [illegible]

Jesse Storie is principal [illegible]

W. W. Curtis got very [illegible] by falling from a [illegible] say they have held a prohibition meeting at Bean Hammock [illegible] which was carried out [illegible] great interest.

Corn is looking very well since the refreshing showers.

F. P. Curtis has been doing some work on his house.

A. D. Gilas is paying the [illegible] Richland a visit which is [illegible] very dignity by the people.

Mr. Bragg and wife are paying their father-in-law a visit since [illegible]

Last Friday night J. W. Curtis [illegible] was too busy setting up [illegible] after robbing bees.

[illegible] Blackburn is coming [illegible] they [illegible] In her Bryant has marked a hard struggle. He [illegible] job of work at the saw [illegible] wife. I may travel for [illegible] if I could swap that way don't you?

Richland, June 13, '97. X. X.

The Record says a woman appealed to the commissioners of Guilford county, at their meeting Monday, for assistance. By requesting her it was found that she owned 114 acres of land and had $200 loaned out at interest. She didn't get any help.

Trouble with Blockaders.

Last week's Watauga Democrat says:

"Last week Deputy Collector Horton joined Collector Rousseau and men, of Wilkes and made a raid on the blockade distillers in Ashe county. They succeeded well, locating and demolishing five places of business of that kind, but came near having some serious trouble. On Friday, while cutting up a still they were fired upon by the owners, and several shots were exchanged but no damage done. The shooting took place near Cut Laurel Gap."

Commissioners' Meeting

The Board of County Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Monday of last week, June 7th. All the members were present.

The following business was transacted: Edwards & Broughton $16 for Record of Deeds, No. 31, and Record of Mortgages, "L;" and 100 marriage return blanks. Sarah Clarke was ordered sent to the Home for the Aged and Infirm. J. Walter Horton was allowed $0 36 out of Stock Law fund for rails and work on fence. M. Deal & Co., allowed $1.45 for burial coffins for Maggie Roberts, col'd pauper. A petition was filed to amend the public road from the town of Lenoir by way of Gamewell and Hartland and on to the Burke county line. Ordered advertised to be heard on first Monday in July. M. Deal & Co., allowed $10 54 for bridge lumber on bridge over Gunpowder Creek at M. Deal's saw mill. The following parties were allowed the sums annexed to their names out of stock law fund for work on fence on John's River: Joseph Price, $3; Isaac Green, $3 25; Elijah Estes, $3 75; Avery Tolbert $3; Lee Sudemaker, $2 25; Willard M. Long, 25 cents; Rufus Cline, 75 cents. C. M. Jones, deputy sheriff, $3 30 for summoning jurors and serving Estes from Capt. T. Livengood's to Estes's saw mill. The grand jurors made their report which was received and the jury discharged. E. L. Moore allowed $30 for services as county Commissioner from Dec. 7th, 1896, to May 18, 1897. Mattie B. Stone allowed an exemption of tax on a tract of land valued at $150 for year of 1896, the same being charged twice. The road from Dowdle's school house to the Catawba River at John H. [illegible] was declared a public road and ordered to be opened and ordered into the hands of the supervisors of Lovelady township.

An election as required by an act of the last legislature was ordered to be held on Tuesday after the second Monday in August at which said township will determine whether a tax of 20 cents on the $100 and 60 cents on polls shall be levied for the support of the public schools. (See notice of this election in another column.) Sallie Keller was ordered sent to the Home for the Aged and Infirm. J. M. Bernhardt allowed $2 50 as juror on road from Gamewell to Clay Bowman's. J. W. Abernethy $100 jail fees for the month of May. R. G. Coffey $147 for building bridge over Blair's Fork at T. A. Spainhour's. Clerk was ordered to give notice for sealed bids to build a bridge over Husbands Creek, on the Morganton road near B. M. Tuttle's. (See notice elsewhere.) The board together with J. V. McCall, Clerk Superior Court, and Register Palmer elected a Board of Education as provided by a law enacted by the late legislature. The first and only ballot resulted as follows: P. G. Moore received 4 votes; M. L. Greer, 4; I. W. Moore, 4; J. L. Black, 1, and J. A. Wakefield, 3. The first three gentlemen were declared elected. Alvin Craig was allowed $8 for keeping the Franklin children during the month of May. Dr. A. A. Kent was elected county physician for the next two years. D. M. Puett allowed $3 04 as Registrar, fall of '96. W. W. McGowan, $17 37½ as keeper of the Home for the Aged and Infirm.

The Board levied a tax of 23½ cents on the $100, and 71 cents on each poll for general county purposes for the year 1897. And there was levied a special tax of 16½ cents on the $100 and 50 cents on the poll for county purposes as provided by special act of the legislature for the year 1897. There is also a special tax of 8½ cents on the $100 levied for stock law purposes. This makes the total tax levied for this year 91½ cents on the $100 and the poll is $2 50. A tax was levied on all subjects taxed by the State under schedules "B" and "C" for county purposes the same as for the State, except on marriage license, which are taxed 50 cents.

Pendley Topics.

Fine weather and the farmers are making good success in their crops.

Mr. J. B. Robbins has just returned from a business trip to the Yadkin.

Miss Nelia Church, who has been staying at Patterson for some months has been visiting her parents here.

Mrs. T. E. Day, who has been unwell for some time, is improving now.

Mrs. A. H. Penley is making good success with her milk cows.

Miss Louisa Staril is visiting her Grand-ma this week. She is a fine young lady and is much liked.

Mr. Dolphus Penley is still watching for the squirrel that has been taking up his corn.

Mr. Frank Robbins went to see his girl the other night and when he started home he got lost and waded the creek and got good and wet.

I will close with best wishes to the TOPIC and its readers.

Yours Truly. X. X. X.

King's Creek Items

Mr. J. M. Coffey of Kelsey, N. C., is visiting on King's Creek.

Miss Mary Dula is going to Blowing Rock to spend the summer.

The contractor, Mr. Pink Nelson, has Mr. J. T. Parker's store house nearly completed.

Harvest is on hand now, and wheat good.

Some of the Yadkin Valley boys and girls were on King's Creek yesterday.

Success to the TOPIC. F. B. L.

Taylorsville Topics

Dr. E. W. Moore gave a birthday party Friday night. He invited a host of young friends and made the occasion very enjoyable. Refreshments were served which added greatly to the delight of the party.

Mrs. Charles Jones and Miss Anna Armfield, of Statesville, are stopping at the Stevenson House this week.

The hotel at Alt Healing Springs will be open for guests the 18th. J. G. Ingram and C. F. Alexander, proprietors. These gentlemen will endeavor to make it pleasant for all who may go there for rest or health.

Mr. Press Matheson, who has been attending school at Davidson came home Friday.

Taylorsville Blue Ball team will go to Wilkesboro next Tuesday to play a match game.

Mr. J. M. Flowers came home from Trinity College Friday.

A good number of Taylorsville people attended the commencement exercises at Vashti Friday.

Mr. Bob Noah, of Statesville passed through town this week on his way home from the mountains.

Farmers are harvesting wheat right extensively this week. P.

Taylorsville, June 12.

To Confederate Veterans

For The Topic:

I am arranging to run a through car to Nashville for the Confederate Veterans Reunion and the State exposition of Tennessee, June 22nd, 23d and 24th. This car will leave Hickory via Asheville on regular train Monday, June 21st at any hour, making Nashville at 6.40 in the morning of 22nd inst. Round trip tickets from Hickory $9 75. All Confederate Veterans and their friends are invited to join the party. I can furnish room in car for several veterans at practically no cost to any one. Meals will be furnished on the grounds at nominal cost. Veterans can thus more easily make themselves comfortable by taking three or four days rations, a blanket, tin plate, cup, and knife and fork. I will do all in my power to make it comfortable and enjoyable to all who go with me. This train can be reached easily by train and otherwise from the surrounding country.

J. G. HALL, Brig. Gen.,
Com. 1st Brigade N. C., U. C. V.

Notice.

Sealed bids will be received at the Register's Office up to July 5, 1897, for building a bridge over Husbands Creek at B. M. Tuttle's, on the Morganton road. Specifications: Bridge to be built with good stone pillars four feet thick, 12 feet wide and raised 1 foot higher than present bridge, four heart sills 10x14 inches, heart flooring 14 feet long, 2 inches thick, good railing put on bridge. Board reserving the right to reject any and all bids. By order of the Board of County Commissioners, June 7, 1897.

W. F. F. PALMER,
Register of Deeds.

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Fertilize your peas with Acid Phosphate or Star Brand Fertilizer, for sale by Cloyd & Johnson.

A Card of Thanks

The undersigned desires to return the sincere thanks of himself and family for the many acts of kindness extended to us by our neighbors and friends during the sickness and after the death of our son. And especially do we feel grateful to Dr. Houck for his faithful attendance upon him during his protracted sickness.

Respectfully,
H. L. Houck.

Hudson Township

The last legislature established a new township by the name of Hudson. The following is its boundary:

"Beginning at Cooley's mill and running with the creek to bridge on Beard road; thence with said road to J. B. Bush's, thence by foot of Cager's mountain to W. L. Evans's; thence by J. A. Turnmire's, Nat Meacham's and Jack Bumgarner's to mouth of lower branch; thence by J. T. Spencer's to top of Link Mountain at Joe Hartley's; thence with Taylorsville road to Mr. Harman church; thence by Ridge and Ridge road to beginning.

MANY THINK!

when the Creator said to woman, "In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children," that a curse was pronounced against the human race, but the joy felt by every Mother when she first presses to her heart her babe, proves the contrary.

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In accordance with the requirements of the Public School Law, Acts of 1897, it is ordered by the Board that an election be held in each township within Caldwell county, on Tuesday after the second Monday in August 1897, at the regular voting precincts of said townships, upon the question of levying a special township or district tax, for the purpose of extending the length of term of said districts as provided in said act. The rate of tax as fixed by the board is twenty cents on $100 and sixty cents on each poll. Those favoring said tax will vote a ticket "For Schools" and those opposed a ticket "Against Schools." Let all persons take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners.

W. F. F. PALMER,
Register of Deeds

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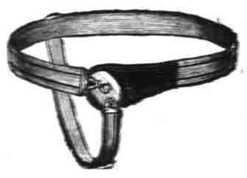

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G. L. BERNHARDT, Vice-Pres't.
J. H. BEALL, Cashier

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Lawyer,
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