

GEN. R. B. VANCE DEAD.

He Passes Away After a Lingering Illness Tuesday Morning.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 28. General Robert B. Vance died at his home this morning after a lingering illness. He will be buried with Masonic honors Thursday afternoon. General Vance was a brother of Senator Zebulon B. Vance.

In 1848 he was elected clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Buncombe county. This position he held for eight years, then declined re-election to enter the mercantile business in Asheville.

When the war broke out he raised a company, Buncombe Life Guards, and was elected captain of it. Then when ten companies were mustered at Asheville he was elected colonel. This was the 29th North Carolina regiment. Colonel Vance commanded it at the battle of Murfreesboro and in several engagements of Cumberland Gap. His horse was killed under him at Murfreesboro, and was commended for gallantry by General Sherman.

In 1863 Colonel Vance fell ill with fever and his regiment was sent to Mississippi. He never commanded it again. While ill with fever he was commissioned Brigadier General by President Davis. When several months later he returned to the service he was assigned to duty in Western North Carolina, and in January, 1864, was mustered in Cook county, Tennessee, by the Federal troops. He was kept in prison the rest of the year, first at Nashville, then at Camp Chase and finally at Fort Delaware.

General Vance served in Congress continuously from 1872 to 1882. At the Congressional convention at Asheville in 1874, he declined a re-nomination, withdrawing his name.

On April 11th, 1885, the President appointed him Assistant Commissioner of Patents, which position he held for several years. He had served several terms here in the Legislature—the last in 1893. After that he retired to private life and he devoted himself to his farm and to his books.

General Vance was twice elected Grand Master of the Masons in North Carolina, and he has also been several times honored by his church—the M. E. Church South. He has been many times a delegate to the General Conference. In 1875 he was one of the Cape May Commission that settled the property question between the M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South. The College of Bishops also appointed him a delegate to the Ecumenical Methodist Conference in London in 1881.

Commissioner's Sale of Land.

R. P. Matheson vs. Credit Vendor. In obedience to and by authority of a Commission issued to me by his Honor J. W. Bowman now riding and holding the courts of the 10th Judicial district of N. C. at Chambers at Newbern, N. C., on Nov. 29th, 1899, I will on

MONDAY, JANUARY 1st, 1900, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., sell to the highest bidder for Cash, at the Court House door in Lenoir, N. C. The following described land to-wit: 1st. Tract on the waters of Camp Creek and Harpers in 6th Township. Beginning on a Maple Bayle north of Susan Harp's North West corner of Grant No. 329 and thence North 89 poles to a stake, thence East 80 poles to the northeast corner of the Camp Creek tract, thence East 80 poles to the County line between Burke and Caldwell, thence with said line to the top of the 6th and Mother Ridge 200 poles to a White Pine on a hole, corner of Grant No. 329 same course with this stake ridge 80 poles to a stake in the line of D. L. Shaw oak woods tract, thence East with 11 1/2 poles to a stake, thence South 66 poles to a white pine by a branch Southwell corner of Grant 80 same course 80 poles to a stake in the line of Grant No. 92, thence West with the line of Grant 647, 76 poles to a White oak Northwest corner of Grant No. 647, thence North with the line of Grant No. 647, 40 poles to a stake in the line of Horton place 20 poles West of the southeast corner (Bourwood) then West with the line of that tract, and Harpers, crossing the road 54 poles to a maple, Northwest corner of Grant 647 then South 10 poles crossing a drain to double maple the Northeast corner of Susan Harpers grant No. 329, thence West with the line of 80 poles to a stake, North West corner of it, then North 1/2 poles to the beginning, containing 400 acres more or less. Excepting part of a tract owned by Aldrich, known as the Scotchman place. 2nd tract, bought of Bailey Kirby, beginning on a chestnut oak on the top of Green Mountain, James E. Hollers line and running with said line South 1/2 West 1/2 poles to a post oak James E. Hollers corner, in the line of W. Jones's line then South with his line the poles to a stake, then East with Palmer's line 60 poles to a small chestnut oak on top fall ridge then straight to the beginning, containing 300 acres more or less the last named tract lying and being in Lower Creek township in said Co., and State. This Nov. 29th, 1899. J. B. Wray, Commissioner.

County Exhibit.

Annual Statement of Caldwell

County, N. C., showing County Expenditures, or Expenses, under the various headings from Dec. 5th, 1898, to Dec. 4th, 1899, as audited by the Board of County Commissioners and numbered on County Claim Book, to-wit:

Table with columns for item description and amount. Includes entries like 'Allowed Paupers outside Home', 'Aged and Infirm', 'Home Aged & Infirm', 'For laying off Pulls', 'Roads', 'For Dynamite used on roads', 'For Building Bridges', 'Bridge lumber', 'J. H. Davis for work on Road', 'Chas. ... road dam age', 'Jail fees at home', 'Simon Gragg at Boone', 'Registrars of Election', 'Tax Listers 1897', '1899', 'Smallpox quarantine guard & fees', 'Work on Post & Detention houses & fees', 'Hauling lumber', 'Smallpox Inspector one half fees', 'Stove for Post house', 'Vaccination fees', 'Supplies for quarantine house', 'Lumber, Post & Detention houses half fees', 'Bedding destroyed, sewing etc half fees', 'Joe Steele, house and contents destroyed half fees', 'For binding Supreme Court Reports', 'For Stationery furnished County', 'For making county exhibit 1898', 'Stove for Jail etc', 'County Physicians', 'Wood for County', 'House rent for chain gang', 'For Supplies for chain gang', 'Register of Deeds', 'Mayor & Marshall half fees', 'Clerk Superior Court', 'Witnesses whole fees [Gragg case]', 'Watauga Co. Jurors Gragg case', 'Expert witness', 'For taking evidences', 'Shiff & D. S. whole fees Gragg case', 'Witnesses half fees', 'For guarding Jail', 'Officers to Court', 'Allen blind child', 'J. T. Montgomery for surveying Jail lot', 'Wesley Craig for care of Brown child', 'Dr. A. A. Kent for Drugs for paupers & chain gang', 'W. C. Newland County Atty', 'For board of Jury', 'Solicitors half fees', 'Jurors', 'County Commissioners', 'Dr. W. P. Ivey, Examination of Insane patient', 'For conveying pauper to H. A. I.', 'For printing for County', 'L. J. Swanson for investigating death of Wiley Elmiston', 'A. H. Boyd for summoning Jurors &c', 'For Taxes refunded', 'Justices of Peace half fees', 'A. H. Boyd and other Shiffs half fees', 'For conveying Inmate', 'T. W. Setze for bedding damaged at death of Wiley Elmiston', 'For Clothing, Clothes and burial of paupers', 'For conveying Prisoners', 'Total for the year, \$6689.39.'

Remarks: For itemized statement of the foregoing amounts see County Claim book, on file in Office of Register of Deeds.

STATEMENT

Showing the Financial condition of the County of Caldwell for the fiscal year ending Dec. 4th 1899.

COUNTY FUNDS.

Table with columns for item description and amount. Includes entries like 'The gross County tax for the year 1898 was, \$9603.62', 'By amt over paid on tax of 18-97', 'amt collected and paid County Treasurer', 'Shiffs Commissions', 'amt. lost from Errors etc.', 'My balance due from Shiff and uncollected', 'Amt bro't fwd, \$9603.62 \$9603.62', 'To Bal. due from Shiff \$2821.20', 'Treasurers statement showing the money received and disbursed by him on County fund from Dec. 5th, 1898, to Dec. 4, 1899', 'Nov. 29, 1898', 'Rec'd of J. V. McCall C. S. C. \$10.00', 'Dec 5 " Rec'd of W. F. F. Palmer, Reg. of Deeds, 6.00', 'Jan. 27, 1899', 'Rec'd of A. H. Boyd, Shiff 3196.52', 'May 18, " A. H. Boyd Shiff 2771.41', 'May 6 " W. L. Minnieh, Register of Deeds on sale of Liens, 34.50', 'Sept. 23, 1899', 'Rec'd of A. H. Boyd Shiff 1247.12', 'Sep' 30 1899 Rec'd of A. H. Boyd Shiff 500.00', 'Nov. 11, " Rec'd of W. L. Minnieh, as C. B. Co. Coms. 2.20', 'Nov. 15, " Rec'd of W. L. Minnieh on sale of Marriage Liens, 36.00', 'Nov. 18, " Rec'd of A. H. Boyd Shiff 356.04', '8159.79', 'By paid during the year: Jurors \$1003.45', 'Witnesses 864.33', 'Pauper outside H. A. I. 935.15', 'Paupers at H. A. I. 146.58', 'For clothes & burial of Paupers County Commissioners, 184.20', 'Physician 18.50', 'Smallpox claims For Guarding chain gang 306.65', 'For making Annual Report 12.00', 'Work on bridges & lumber for same 504.64', 'Road damage 150.50', 'For laying off roads 98.50', 'For Dynamite used on roads 134.49', 'For County Attorney 16.67', 'For Coroner 10.00', 'For Medical Expert 30.00', 'For Medical Examination 7.50', 'Repairs on Jail 2.20', 'For conveying Inmate P. E. Rowe Jail fees, Simon Gragg & Newton, 78.45', 'Jail fees at home 480.55', 'For Stove for Jail &c. 13.65', 'For clay for Brick 19.40', 'Allen blind child 20.00', 'For Stationery for Co. 58.31', 'For Cutting, hauling & packing lumber 60.49', 'Canvassing Senatorial Vote 21.70', 'Registrars 20.82', 'J. H. Davis for work on road 4.00', 'House rent for chain gang 4.25', 'Supplies for Chain gang 541.44', 'Examination of Insane Guarding Jail 191.10', 'J. V. McCall C. S. C. 542.28', 'M. E. Shell C. S. C. 128.50', 'Tax Listers 8.97', 'Mayors & Marshalls half fees 5.73', 'Board of Jury 18.85'

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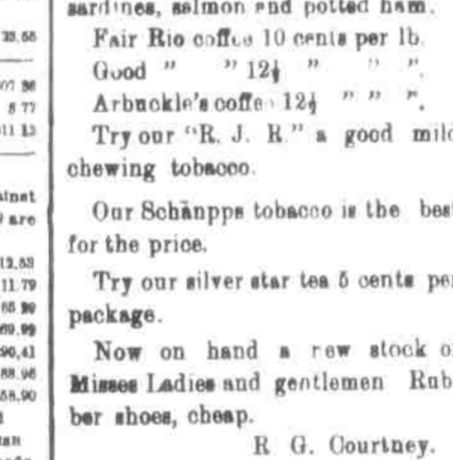
bursts of the sick: "W. H. Hayward, Wake Forest; J. D. Davis, Greensboro; Mrs. C. H. Wiley, Winston; Mrs. G. M. Bab-bitt, Newbern; Miss Etta Stafford, Burlington; Mrs. T. B. Bailey, Mocksville; N. B. Daniels, Satter-white; T. B. Bailey, Mocksville; H. A. Eller, Berlin; John G. Blount, M. D., Washington; G. L. Hardi-son, Thurman; Jennie M. Shaw, Rockingham; J. F. Moore, Jones C., Williams, Lees, Warren county; E. E. Bouchelle, Wilkesboro; Seth Bridgman, Washington; Mrs. A. E. Sides, Mt. Airy."

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