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STREET RAILWAY. The Town Grants a Franchise.

CONSTRUCTION SOON BEGINS.

Work Will be Under Way Within Two Months. A Summer Resort at Murdens Point.

At their Monday night meeting, the Board of Aldermen granted Mr. C. M. Ferebee a franchise for a street railway, light and power plant.

Since the first of January Mr. Ferebee has been laboring zealously to obtain this franchise. Having obtained it he will now secure a certificate of incorporation and begin construction.

A power house will be built at some point, not yet designated, and the laying of the tracks and erection of poles will, at the same time, be under construction.

When the city line has been completed the system will be extended to Murdens Point, a distance of four miles from this city.

This will be one of the best things that ever happened in the promotion of the industrial development of our city. This gradual extension of the line, into the rural communities, will bring all of the country people this way.

In an interview with Mr. Ferebee, Monday night, he said, "I have been seven months in obtaining a franchise for my project. If the aldermen of this city had granted me a franchise last January, when I first asked for it, the road would now have been completed; as it is I must now go through other red tape to secure a certificate of incorporation which

will include the electric light and gas feature. This consumption of much valuable time will, of course, delay the construction of the road and it will be the spring of 1903 before the road is completed and in working order."

Selling Out.

The entire stock of Moses Weisels big department store is in the hands of Chicago Merchandise Co. and Mr. W. B. Barnes, of Chicago, is selling out the stock at way down prices in order to satisfy the above firm.

A Washington Split.

A terrible split has occurred in the ranks of Washington Democracy. At a democratic primary, held in Creswell last Saturday, two factions—Whiskey and Temperance—were present to disagree.

A Libel Suit.

Hons. E. F. Aydlette and Roscoe W. Turner have libelled the gasoline boat "Ray" for damages done by her to the schooner "Southern Cross."

County Commissioner.

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday and, aside from routine work, little business was transacted, Andrew Hathaway and others were allowed until Nov. 1st, to turn Euclid Heights road over to the county.

Health officer Wood reported inmates of public buildings in good health. There are 29 inmates in the home and seven in jail. It was ordered that Mr. Claude Hobbs, overseer of Newbegin creek road, be allowed to purchase, necessary lumber, etc., for repairing said road.

On motion, it was ordered, that Board of Commissioners turn over to the Sheriff the tax books for 1902 when said Sheriff shall have produced to said Clerk the receipts of the State and County Treasurers respectively, showing that said Sheriff has settled in full for the State and County Taxes of 1901.

Fire Department News.

The members of the Elizabeth

Jim Wilcox May Live Until Spring.

James E. Wilcox the famous murderer imprisoned and convicted for the murder of Ella Mande Cropsey may for another long six months read novels behind the bars of Pasquotank County jail.

City Fire Co. No. 1 met in weekly council Monday night.

There was little business of importance transacted. Mr. W. J. Woodley presented a bill for eight cents, for two glasses loaned the entertainment committee, recently. The firemen voted that the bill be paid and Tuesday afternoon secretary Bland presented Mr. Woodley with the firemen's check.

CROP REPORT.

Showers Needed for Late Crops.

FOR WEEK ENDING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1902. Except in a few Western counties where beneficial showers occurred on the 26th and 28th, the past week was extremely dry throughout the greater portion of the State; at most places, indeed, hardly more than "traces" of rain occurred.

Dry weather has caused the growth of cotton to cease, and top bolls are not forming; some fields look as brown as they usually do in October. Cotton is opening very fast, and is said to be nearly half open, but the absence of very high maximum temperatures has prevented much premature opening; complaints of rust and shedding continue and some correspondents report short crops on account of the small size of the bolls.

Peavines promise a large yield of hay but are not fruiting heavily. Crimson clover and late seeded turnips have not come up on account of drought.

Bohemians Coming.

The oyster season is now open and the canning factories are getting their plants in ship shape order for the reception of the many cargoes of bivalves that will

soon be rushed to this city, from the oyster beds of the sounds. The Jno. Boyle Co., whose factory is situated on Machelhe, will again transport a colony of Bohemians to their property.

WILL RENT MARKET.

The Town Aldermen Have Retracted Recent Order.

In recent issues of the Tar Heel we have called attention to the utter folly of the city Aldermen in closing the doors of the market house and thus cutting off a paying source of revenue.

The Aldermen being brought to a realization of the unwise step which they had taken have reconsidered the matter and at a recent meeting of the market house committee, the following ordinance was passed.

"Be it ordained by the Aldermen of Elizabeth City in meeting assembled:

That the clerk of the corporation of Elizabeth City is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to rent out the stalls in the market house on Water street at private renting for one month, and one month only at a time from September 1st, 1902, until this ordinance is further changed.

He will rent out stalls 1 and 2 for not less than \$15.00 per month each. He will rent out stalls 3 and 4 for not less than \$12.50 per month each; he will rent out the remaining spaces for not less than \$6 per month each.

Said amounts shall be payable to the clerk of said corporation in advance on the first of each month, and said clerk shall be held responsible to the corporation of Elizabeth City for said amounts, whether collected or not.

Be it further ordained by the said board of Aldermen, that any one renting said stalls from the clerk as aforesaid, may sell fresh meats during said period of renting for a month within said stall or anywhere else within said corporation.

Provided that no one person shall sell in more than one place at one time.

Any person or persons violating this ordinance shall upon conviction, be fined \$10.00 for each offense, and each day shall constitute a separate offense."

Amusements.

The theatrical season opened here last night with the presentation of the Plantation Minstrels under the direction of Manager B. F. Moon. This minstrel company is an aggregation of Southern negroes and they present a "fair to middlin'" performance, considering the low prices of admission charged. The show is seriously hampered for lack of an orchestra; its pianist having skipped them. With the addition of this feature the show would merit the applause

of critics as it is not a company of Northern Vaudeville artists but old fashioned Southern negroes. Of this company the Norfolk Landmark says: "It is good." The Plantation Minstrels will play three nights at the opera house.

Poll Keepers Elected.

At a meeting of the Board of County Elections for Pasquotank county, N. C., held September 1st, 1902, the following named persons were appointed by said board as Registrars and Poll Keepers, and the named places were selected for holding the November elections, 1902:

SALEM:—Voting Precinct, Jennings' School House. Registrar, C. R. Lowry. Poll Keepers, J. C. James, Jr., D. W. H. Keaton, R. NIXONTON:—Voting Precinct, G. W. Cartwright's Store. Registrar, G. W. Cartwright. Poll Keepers, W. H. Reid, D. H. C. White, R.

POOL SCHOOL HOUSE:—Voting Precinct, Fletcher's Store. Registrar, Benjamin Pendleton. Poll Keepers S. B. Bartlett, D. S. I. Pool, R.

MT. HERMON:—Voting Precinct, Mt. Hermon School House. Registrar, F. V. Wood. Poll Keepers, T. C. Perry, D. Wm. Dail, R.

CARTWRIGHT'S SCHOOL H:—Voting Precinct, Cartwright's School House. Registrar, E. D. Owens. Poll Keepers, Wm. Cartwright, D. John W. Pritchard, R.

PROVIDENCE:—Voting Precinct, Providence School House. Registrar, Simeon Pritchard. Poll Keepers, W. J. F. Spence, D. W. J. Jones, R.

NEWLAND:—Voting Precinct, Old Rosedale P. O. Registrar, J. J. Brothers. Poll Keeper, W. J. F. Spence, D. Poll Keeper W. J. Jones, R.

ELIZABETH CITY:—First Ward. Voting Precinct, Ballance's Store. Registrar, J. W. Ballance. Poll Keeper, W. S. White, D. Poll Keeper, A. L. Chesson, R.

Second Ward. Voting Precinct, The Ballance Store. Registrar, M. L. Whedbee. Poll Keeper, Miles L. Davis, Jr., D. Poll Keeper, Noah Trueblood, R.

Third Ward. Voting Precinct, John R. Pinner's Store. Registrar, John R. Pinner. Poll Keepers, L. A. Winder, J. F. Sanders, R.

Fourth Ward. Voting Precinct, Butt's Old Drug Store. Registrar, J. W. Dawson. Poll Keepers, J. W. LeRoy, J. H. Burgess, R.

Fifth Ward. Voting Precinct, Court House. Registrar, A. S. Neal. Poll Keeper, B. B. Martin, T. C. McCoy, R.

Sixth Ward. Voting Precinct, Madrin's Shop. Registrar, Z. V. Parker. Poll Keepers, M. M. Sawyer, B. F. Spence, R.

Seventh Ward. Voting Precinct, C. C. Bailey's Store. Registrar, C. C. Bailey. Poll Keeper, H. H. Hayman, H. M. Fearing, R.

The following style of Ballots was prescribed by the Board of County Elections for the November Election 1902: Legislative, size 11 x 22 x 2 white; County and Township, size 21 x 2 x 5, white.

W. H. Weatherly, Chairman. P. H. Williams. W. C. Brooks. Subscribe to the Tar Heel only \$1.50 per year.

WILL FOLLOW THE

Democratic Plan of Organization.

WAS DECISION OF COMMITTEE

The Democratic Executive Committee of Pasquotank County Met Here Monday.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Pasquotank County met on last Monday pursuant to the call of the chairman.

The principal object of the meeting was to determine upon the manner of holding the coming County Convention. After much discussion it was decided to follow the Democratic plan of Organization strictly and in accordance therewith the Committee appointed Thursday, September 25th, 1902, as the date for holding the different precinct primaries. The hour for holding the primaries in the country precincts was made 2 o'clock p. m.; the hour for holding the primaries in the town of Elizabeth City is 8 o'clock p. m.

DEMOCRATIC PLAN OF ORGANIZATION.

1. The unit of county organization shall be the voting precincts. In each precinct there shall be an Executive Committee, to consist of five active Democrats, who shall be elected by the Democratic voters at the several precincts, in the meeting first called by the County Executive Committee. And said committee so elected shall elect one of its members as chairman, who shall preside at all committee meetings.

2. The chairman of the several precinct committees shall compose the County Executive Committee, which shall meet at the same time and place as the County Convention first held in each election year, and elect a chairman of said County Committee, who need not be a member of the committee, and he shall preside at all meetings of said committee, and shall hold his place until his successor shall be elected. A majority of said precinct chairmen, in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum. The County Committee shall likewise appoint a Central Committee of five, who shall act in its stead when the County Committee is not in session.

3. In case there shall be failure on the part of any precinct to elect its Executive Committee for a period of thirty days, the County Executive Committee shall appoint said committee from the Democratic voters of said precinct.

4. The members of the Precinct Committee shall elect to any vacancy occurring in said committee.

The County Executive Committee shall call all necessary conventions by giving at least ten days' notice by public advertisement in three public places in each precinct, at the court-house door and in any Democratic newspapers that may be published in said county, requesting all Democrats of the county to meet in their respective precincts on a common day therein stated, which said day shall not be less than three days before the

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