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### Board of County Commissioners Meet.

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday. Present; G. M. Scott, Chairman, T. E. Palmer, W. J. F. Spence, S. N. Morgan and W. H. Reid.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On Motion, It was ordered, That Wilson Babb be relieved of the payment of Poll Tax for 1902 and a certificate of exemption be issued to him on account of physical disability. W. E. Cooper presented a petition to the Board for a new road in Mt. Hermon Township. On Motion, it was ordered, That said petition be laid over till next meeting.

G. D. Swain made application to the Board for License to sell spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in what is known as "The Leigh Building" on Poindexter Street, formerly occupied by L. M. Barnes and Son.

On Motion, It was ordered, that a License be granted to said Swain to sell spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, subject to the action of the Board of City Aldermen and subject also to the same restrictions heretofore placed on saloons December 2, 1901. On Motion, It was ordered, That Alamore Overton in Salem Township be relieved of Poll Tax for 1902, he being too young to pay said tax.

On Motion, It was ordered, that W. J. Albertson, Executor, be relieved of Poll Tax of J. W. Albertson, deceased, for the year 1902.

On Motion, It was ordered, that W. E. Whitehurst, Overseer, and Jos. H. Godfrey, Overseer, be allowed to purchase lumber to repair bridges on their respective roads.

On Motion, It was ordered, That J. A. Lowe Overseer, be allowed to purchase heart timber, consisting of slabs, blocks &c. with which to repair the foot-bridge at Hall's Creek Bridge in Mount Hermon Township.

Dr. J. E. Wood, Health Officer made the following report: "Elizabeth City, N. C.

Hon. Board County Commissioners, Gentleman: Inmates of Home in good health and Home in good condition. There are 32 inmates as follows: white males, 8; white females 4; colored females 10; colored males 10, total, 32. Jail in good condition. 8 prisoners; 6 colored and 2 white. All males.

Respectfully, J. E. WOOD, HEALTH OFFICER."

On Motion, It was ordered, That Nancy Mitchell be placed on Benefit List at \$2 per mo. E. J. Spence, Constable-Elect, for Newland Township, presented his Official Bond to the Board in the sum of \$500 with the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company of Baltimore, Md, as surety, which Bond was read, accepted, approved and ordered to be recorded in the Official Bond Book for Pasquotank County.

Said E. J. Spence was duly sworn and inducted into office by J. C. Spence, J. P.

On Motion, It was ordered, that Wm. Thomas be relieved permanently of the payment of Poll Tax on account of being disabled of an arm.

Messrs C. H. Robinson and H. T. Greenleaf appeared before the Board and presented a petition for

a Ferry to be laid out and established on Elizabeth City in Pasquotank County across Pasquotank River to Camden County by way of Goat Island.

Said petition being the same one presented to this Board on June 5th, 1899, and reads as follows:

To The Honorable Board of Commissioners of Pasquotank County:

We, the undersigned petitioners, show to your Honorable Board:

(1) That it is necessary to have established a ferry from Elizabeth City in Pasquotank County across Pasquotank River to Camden County by the way of Goat Island over the lands of Chas. H. Robinson, one of your petitioners.

(2) That your petitioners ask that the said ferry be settled, laid out and established between the North line of William Pailin's shipyard and the south line of Main Street in Elizabeth City on the side of Pasquotank River and thence a straight course to what is known as Goat Island on the side of Pasquotank River in Camden County at its nearest point.

(3) That the said ferry is necessary for the good and convenience of the public.

(4) That the said ferry will not be within two miles of any other ferry, and will cross only the lands of one of your petitioners, Chas. H. Robinson.

(5) That if it is necessary, your petitioners will secure a right of way by private contract over the lands of any one it may desire to cross.

(6) Your petitioners respectfully showeth that the Board of County Commissioners of Camden county have granted to your petitioners the privilege of building and operating a Ferry between the aforesaid points and have issued an order for the settling, laying out and establishing the same.

(7) Your petitioners respectfully show that they desire your honorable Board to settle, lay out and establish the said ferry, and to allow them to build and operate the same.

(8) We ask your Honorable Board to fix the rate of charges for passing over said ferry and ask that the same be fixed to not exceed ten cents for a cart, buggy, carriage, or wagon going either way.

(9) Your petitioners further show your Honorable Board that if you will lay out and establish the said ferry for your petitioners and their assigns, that they purpose to build and operate a ferry, and place the same in good condition for the travel of the public between the counties of Camden and Pasquotank.

(10) Your petitioners further show that they desire the privilege of assigning the rights of the ferry and the privileges granted to a corporation to be incorporated; and that they will open the books for subscription to stock for the same and allow the same to be taken by the public, should they so desire.

(11) Your petitioners further show that at any time within the next ten years, that they will sell to the Counties the said ferry and the road to the same for the cost of building the same and improvements put upon the same, if the

said Counties will make it a free ferry.

Wherefore, your petitioners pray that an order be made settling, laying out and establishing the said ferry as before mentioned.

Chas. H. Robinson, J. B. Flora, W. J. Woodley, Dr. O. McMullan, G. W. Ward, H. T. Greenleaf, J. W. Sharber, D. B. Bradford, John L. Sawyer, P. H. Williams,

On Motion, It was ordered, That the above petition be granted.

On Motion, the following toll rate was established: Three Cents for walkers;

Ten Cents for horse back riders, buggies and all single vehicles;

Fifteen Cents for all double vehicles, such as carriages, wagons &c

Total bills allowed, \$511.90.

There being no further business the Board adjourned.

#### COURT CALENDAR.

March Term, 1903, Pasquotank County Superior Court.

##### FIRST WEEK.

Monday, March 9th: State Docket, and 49 Morris vs. Hollowell, 1 Lamb vs. Hand, 2 (S), Fearing vs. Story 21 Collins vs. Collins, 29 Hollowell vs. Hollowell, 5 (S), Miller vs. Miller.

Tuesday, March 10th: State Docket, and 22 Etheridge vs. Hollowell, 24 Moxey vs. Dod, 25 Moxey vs. Dod, 48 Russell vs. Wood, 33 White vs. White.

Wednesday, March 11th: 6 Hinton vs. Penn Mutual Life Ins. Co. 13 Taylor vs. Terry, 28 Love, Evans & Co. vs. N. & S. R. R. Co. 39 Lester vs. Hamberger, 5 E. City vs. P. John Et Als.

Thursday, March 12th: 8 Davis vs. Sawyer, 46 Parker vs. Wilcox, Admr. 3 Hinton vs. Kemp, 4 Hinton vs. Burgess, 14 Hinton vs. M. R. F. Life Association, 45 Hinton vs. Washington Life Ins. Co.

Friday, March 13th: 9 Bank vs. Beebe, 11 Kramer vs. Beebe, 12 Winder vs. Bank, 15 Riddick vs. Thompson, 17 Harris vs. Thompson.

Saturday, March 14th: 16 Cochran vs. Waters, 23 Francis vs. Wilcox, 55 Perry vs. E. City.

##### SECOND WEEK.

Monday, March 16th: 51 Winder vs. Ins. Co. 52 Winder vs. Ins. Co. 19 Woodley vs. N. & S. R. R. Co. 20 E. City, vs. Walker-26 Lamb vs. Bartlett.

Tuesday, March 17th: 27 White vs. Morrisett, 30 Wilcox vs. Wilcox Admr. 31 Bundy vs. Edney.

Wednesday, March 18th: 34 Kramer vs. Ziegler & Wife, 47 Kramer vs. Zeigler, 35 Hinton vs. Zeigler, 35 Hinton vs. Jones, 36 Pritchard vs. Hinton, 53 Andrews vs. Cohoon.

Thursday, March 19th: 37 Smithson vs. Jennings, 38 White vs. Field, 40 Brownlett vs. Leigh, 41 Fields vs. Brown, 50 Winder vs. A. C. L. R. E.

Friday, March 20th: 58 Hopkins vs. Whedbee.

##### a Card

Claiming the good will of the people of Elizabeth City and asking their support, I announce myself as candidate for the position of City Clerk, subject to the Democratic Convention. R. E. BLACK.

### PRES. ROOSEVELT'S LETTER TO HOWELL.

Washington, March 2.—The full text of President Roosevelt's letter to Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, regarding southern appointments, an abstract of which was published this morning was made public today. In beginning his letter, which is dated February 24, President Roosevelt says: "My Dear Mr. Howell:

"I have a high opinion of the gentleman you mention, and if the opportunity occurs I shall be glad to do anything I can for him.

"Now, as to what you say concerning federal appointments in the south. Frankly it seems to me that my appointments speak for themselves and that my policy is self-explanatory. So far from feeling that they need the slightest apology or justification, my position is that on the strength of what I have done I have the right to claim the support of all good citizens who wish not only a high standard of federal service, but fair and equitable dealing to the south as well as to the north and a policy of consistent justice and good will toward all men."

Further along the President says: "I have scant sympathy with the mere doctrinaire, with the man of mere theory, who takes to face facts; but do you not think that in the long run it is safer for everybody if we act on the motto, 'All men up,' rather than that of some men down?"

"In your own state of Georgia you are competent to judge from your own experience. In the great bulk of cases I have reappointed President McKinley's appointees. The changes I have made, such as that in the postmastership at Athens and in the surveyorship at Atlanta, were, as I think you will agree, changes for the better and not for the worse. It happens that in each of these offices I have appointed a white man to succeed a colored man.

"If you know of any federal officeholder in Georgia of whom this is not true, pray let me know at once: I will welcome testimony from you or from any other reputable citizen which will tend to show that a given public officer is unworthy; and, most emphatically, short will be the shift of anyone whose lack of worth is proven."

Referring to the fact that a large percentage of the incumbents of federal offices in Georgia are Democrats, the president says: "But they are supported by me in every way as long as they continue to render good and faithful service to the public.

"I have good reason to believe that my appointees in the different states mentioned—and as the sum of the parts in the whole, necessarily in the south at large—represent not merely an improvement upon those whose places they took but upon the whole a higher standard of federal service than has hitherto been attained in the communities in question."

#### A Brilliant Career.

The death of Dr. Richard J. Gatling removes the man who has been called "The most famous North Carolinian." The world has rarely produced a man more useful to his fellow men. The name of Gatling will live in history forever. The great lesson that the youth of the land, and especially those of his native State, may imbibed from his useful career, is his

indomitable pluck and persistency.

For years Dr. Gatling struggled to gain recognition with the gun that bears his name. Repeatedly he met discouragement from skeptical government officials and as repeatedly he came to the front again, "with a heart for any fate," but determined to succeed. And succeed he did. There is no better known implement of warfare today than the Gatling gun. It is known and used in the most remote corners of the globe and nothing has yet been found to compare with or supersede it.

The numerous other important inventions of Dr. Gatling are too well known to need mention here. His last invention illustrates aptly a fulfillment of Scripture. It is an improved plow. His was indeed a striking example of an unselfish career—his talents were used to the betterment of his fellow men. He lived to a ripe old age and could look back with complacency upon a task well done—a satisfactory rendering to the Giver of all good gifts, of the talents committed to his keeping. How few can render so worthy an account.—Charlotte News.

#### Floundered in The River.

Superintendent Pritchard of the telephone office here and a colored fireman named Johnson, came near being drowned Saturday, on a return trip from Camden, where they went to do repair work on a long distance line. In crossing the river the barge on which the horse and buggy were being carried across was caught in the gale and the horse and buggy in which sat the two men, was swept into the water. After some dangerous floundering in the water both men and the horse and buggy were rescued. Altogether the men had a narrow escape from death.

#### City Improvements.

The finest land ever laid out for residence in or near Elizabeth City is Euclid Heights. With all the natural advantages and improvements made on it in the last three years, all combined does not compare with this late improvement; that of extending Euclid Ave. into Shannon St. Shannon street is to undergo a complete change and will be much wider, and it will extend through the property of Dr. P. John's estate to Lawrence St., thus placing Euclid Heights in direct line to Elizabeth City, and western R. R. Depot, on Lawrence street, thus Euclid Avenue will begin on Lawrence street, and will be laid out broad and straight without angle, extending far beyond Euclid Heights into the country where it will intersect roads leading from Nixonton, Weeksville and Salem.

The opening of Euclid Ave. will not only be of great advantage to Euclid Heights but will greatly enhance all property on the South of the City, as it runs through the center of that section of town direct to the new Rail Road Depot.

#### A Healthy Man.

One of the most Profound freaks that has loomed up before us for several years, comes in the Form of Mr. Seth E. Snowden of Salem, this County. In the course of his conversation with a newsman, Mr. Snowden said that in all his life, he had never been ill enough to swallow medicine, nor had he ever paid a cent to a Physician. The gentleman is now 47 years of age and makes nothing of taking a walk from his farm to Elizabeth City and back, a distance of 34 miles.

### Schedule of the U. M. C. A. Work.

The following schedule of the Y. M. C. A. work here will be read with interest:

There has been an attendance of 612 at the Sunday services in October, 456 in November; 257, in December; 321 in January, and 485, in February, making a total of 2131. The morning prayer service was not as well attended as it should have been. Out of 24 sessions the attendance was but 61 in total. This service is a very helpful one and the active members who are really endeavoring to live up to the standard of christian manhood should by all means make an effort to be present. Those who do take part in the morning service find it a source of Christian strength and comfort for the day.

The classes in educational work are as follows: In English and Mathematics; 56 sessions; in Book keeping 67 sessions. In stenography 40 sessions. Only eleven scholars are taking advantage of these most excellent and instructive sessions, which have been a source of great pleasure to those who have attended them.

Two lectures and practical talks have been rendered during the period above mentioned.

The gymnasium has, perhaps, been the most attractive feature of the work, and the reports from this source show a very marked interest. The report follows: Those using gymnasium for month of October, 865; for November, 672; for December, 1025; for January, 900; for February, 690: Making a total attendance of 4252; within a dozen of twice the attendance at the Sunday services.

The basket ball games have certainly done much to promote general interest in the work. Seven games have been played with an attendance of 408. These games are spirited and full of life, and the ladies have found them very interesting. Six of the series of seven games have been played and tonight will mark the seventh and last game. The cup decision will then be declared; though the dry goods men have already been conceded the championship.

In the work among the sick seventeen have been visited, and help afforded, when it was necessary.

The Sunday meetings for boys which was organized in January have had an attendance of 675 during eleven sessions. This report is quite encouraging.

The attendance at the reading rooms and game rooms is as follows: October, 2356; November 3561; December 3510 January 2650 February 2700: Making a total of 15237, which is the largest attendance noticed. This shows a decided interest in the Y. M. C. A. and the room attendance is beyond a doubt the most important factor.

The shower, tub and spray baths have been another great feature, as the following report will show: October 1688; November 693; December 439; January 540; February 285: Making a total of 2645 baths taken in the six months past.

The membership report shows 153 active, and 63 associate members; making a total membership of 216.

In connection with the report

the Tar Heel desires to call the general attention of the public to the Y. M. C. A. work. Beyond a doubt it is the greatest factor for good that can be established in any city. The equipment, building, and excellent management of the Y. M. C. A. here under Mr. Kite's secretaryship, is of the highest order. For the young man who desires to cultivate and raise himself upon a higher plane of manhood there is no other means so easily within his grasp. The association of christian gentlemen; the opportunity for cultivating the refining influence of ladies society, the educational advantages, and the many other commendable features, presents the Y. M. C. A. field as a substitute for the degrading influence of the wine table and bar billiard room wherein so many boys for the comradeship, and a lack of amusement at home have met their downfall.

A membership contest will soon be opened; beginning March 9, and closing April 9th, at 5 p. m. The membership has been divided into two teams. Mr. W. B. Keys was elected captain of one of these teams and Mr. C. W. Burrows, captain of the other. These gentlemen will appoint their lieutenants and a great fight for membership will be made. At the close of the contest the team bringing in the greatest membership will be given a banquet. The losing team is to wear white aprons and serve as waiters at the feast of the victors. No one will be allowed to join these teams after March 12th; though every member is urged to offer his services on one of the two sides.

Any young man, who is seeking to better himself morally, socially or intellectually, should join the great Y. M. C. A. movement.

#### If We Have Known.

The love of long ago  
Tis the happiness we know.  
The touch though past, forever ours.  
To soften all life's hardest hours  
The heart tones in the gloaming heard.  
To fill life's empty tuneless void.  
The long glance still forever seen.  
Though years and space now roll between!

What matter space or time to us  
If we have known each other thus?  
—S. L. KALBFUS in Baltimore Sun

#### Big Damages Sustained.

The Supreme Court has affirmed the decision of the lower court of Currituck county in the Ambrose Lindsey case against the Norfolk and Southern Railway. The amount of judgement is \$9,000.

The suit of the John L. Roper company, against the Elizabeth City Lumber Co, involving 12,000 acres of land, is now in the Camden Court. This vast area of land is valued at between thirty and fifty thousand dollars, and is one of the most important land cases ever on the Camden county docket. Pruden and Pruden and W. M. Bond, of Edenton; Col. W. B. Rodman of Washington, J. Haywood Sawyer and E. W. Lamb of Elizabeth City will appear for the plaintiff and Messrs W. W. Clark of Newberne and E. F. Aydtlett, of Elizabeth City for the defendants,