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AT THE COURTHOUSE

Mill of Justice Grinds Out Many Cases.

MOSTLY OF MINOR MOMENT

Several Negroes Sent to the Roads of Edgecombe County—Alleged Illegal Voters Not Guilty.

The fall term of Pasquotank Superior Court convened Monday, with Judge W. B. Council, of Hickory, presiding.

Mr. M. B. Sawyer, the young son of Mr. M. N. Sawyer, was made foreman of the grand jury.

The docket, both civil and criminal, is very large. Fifteen prisoners were in the county jail awaiting trial.

While there were no very important cases for trial, the case of the State against W. M. Poyner, Ed. Brinson, D. R. Munden, Geo. Steger, Wm. Anderson and T. B. Hayman for illegal voting in the recent prohibition election, were the most important.

There were two divorces granted; one white, Daniel F. Webster against Minnie Webster. This was for absolute divorce for adultery.

State against Willis Sawyer, colored, stealing hides from C. W. Glover; guilty and sent to roads for one year.

State against C. T. Holmes, colored, carrying concealed weapons; guilty and fined \$10 and costs.

State against Henry Nathaniel, colored, carrying concealed weapons; guilty and sent to roads for four months.

State against Fred Boon, colored, disturbing temperance meeting at court house; guilty and sent to roads for four months.

State against John Gray and Susan Collins, affray; guilty. Gray was sent to roads for six months, and Susan was sent to jail for six months.

LOOKING TO THE COMFORT OF THEIR PATRONS.

Carpenters have been busy at Robt. J. Mitchell's stores for the past week changing the entire inside of this beautiful store.

MARRIED WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday, at the Methodist parsonage, Miss Lydia Miller, an attractive young lady of this city, was united in marriage to Mr. Harry Jarboe, a successful young business man of Baltimore.

THE NEW BANK.

It Will Begin Business October Fifteenth.

"The Savings Bank and Trust Company will begin business October 15th." These were the words of President W. T. Old to the Tar Heel reporter yesterday.

This addition to our financial institutions will mean much to the laboring class of our population. It will cater especially for the business of small depositors.

The new bank starts with a capital of \$25,000.00. The officers are: Wm. T. Old, president; E. F. Aydtlett, vice-president; Geo. B. Pendleton, cashier.

FIRE IN THE "RACE TRACK."

On Tuesday night at a few minutes before 12 o'clock fire was discovered in a vacant house in the section of the town known as the "Race Track," near Shannon street.

FROM NEW BERN INTO PAMLICO.

Road to Be Built With Trestle Over Neuse a Mile in Length.

Mr. W. W. Mills returned yesterday from New Bern, where he has been in conference with Mr. Henry R. Bryan, Jr., Mr. O. H. Guidon and Mr. W. A. Cullen, of New York.

STEAMBOAT LINE TO HYDE COUNTY.

Capt. R. E. Cox, of Englehard, Hyde county, is in the city and the Tar Heel man ran across him yesterday. In the course of conversation the genial captain ventured the opinion that a steamboat line from Englehard, Middleton and Lake Landing to this city would be a successful enterprise from the start.

TUESDAY NIGHT'S SHOW.

"That Impudent Young Couple," the show billed for the Academy of Music Tuesday night, was greeted by a small audience.

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPED.

In another column of this paper appears a most interesting story of Water Street history. It gives many of the important real estate transfers from 1859 to the present day.

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NEWS AT THE STATE CAPITAL

Preparations For the State Fair—The Lease of the North Carolina Railroad Commands Much Interest—The Dispensary Question Is Getting Somewhat Mixed Up.

Gorman News Bureau, Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 21, 1903.

One of the most important events of the current week will be the meeting next Thursday, September 24th, of the directors of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad.

The new offer, which has been filed with the Governor, is made by Messrs. W. W. Mills and associates, representing "a railroad company"—the same parties whose former proposition was recently declined.

The Mills states that instead of a flat rate of 2 1/2 per cent. for the entire term of the lease (50 years), they now offer for the first 15 years, three per cent. for the first 15 years and four per cent. for the last 20 years.

This is a much better offer than the first one, and there are those who think it ought to be accepted. The directors representing the private shareholders of one-third of the stock of the company, are said to share this view.

HAD NOT ESCAPED.

Two Convicts Were Found Hiding in Penitentiary Building.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 22.—The belief of the penitentiary officials that Drayton Medlin, the murderer who was serving a life term from Gaston county, and A. V. Rice, the thief who was serving ten years sentence from New Hanover, who so mysteriously disappeared nine days ago, were not at large, but were hidden somewhere in the prison, proved well founded.

FAILURE OF BIG TIMBER CO.

A Western Carolina Concern Goes Into the Hands of a Receiver.

Asheville, N. C., Sept. 19.—Asheville business men were astonished today on being told that the North Carolina Land and Timber Company's affairs had passed into the hands of a receiver.

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RICHMOND'S MISSING LAWYER.

Facts of an Interesting and Sensational Nature Brought to Light in the Case of P. St. George Barraud.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 23.—Facts of both an interesting and sensational nature are coming to light in the case of P. St. George Barraud, the Richmond lawyer, who has been missing for four weeks and whose brother and office assistant was drowned in the dock ten days ago.

These facts have been brought to light by an investigation being made by Commonwealth's Attorney Richardson, who has directed the police detectives to try and locate Barraud, though no complaint has been made nor any proceeding instituted.

On next Saturday, 26th, the preliminary trial will be held at Salisbury, of Cal and Thomas White, the two prominent citizens of Concord, now in Rowan county jail, who went to the home of Russell Sherrill's mother and killed that young man after he had refused their demand that he marry their orphaned niece, whom he had betrayed.

The enrollment of students at Trinity College and Trinity High School is now the largest in its history, over 400. There is an increase of 25 per cent. of new students at Trinity College, and last year's students have returned in larger numbers than ever before.

COTTON PICKING BEGINS.

The Staple Will Fall Short of Expectations.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin for week ending Monday, September 21, 1903, says: "The first part of the week continued fair and warm, but during the passage northward of the sub-tropical storm over western North Carolina on the 16th and 17th considerable rain fell over most of the State, with the largest amounts in the western section.

The amount of damage was small, and generally the rainfall was beneficial to all late crops, and placed the soil in excellent condition for plowing. Following the rain occurred a decided fall in temperature, and the remainder of the week was quite cool with temperatures below the normal.

PREDICTS DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.

Senator Morgan Expresses the Belief That All Democratic Factions Will Be Reconciled and Will Elect the Next President.

Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 23.—Senator John T. Morgan addressed the joint session of the Alabama Legislature at noon today on the relative functions of State Legislatures and Congress.

HENDERSON VOTES OCT. 20th.

Henderson, N. C., Sept. 19.—The dispensary question has been greatly agitated here—and one will no doubt soon be established. Sufficient signatures have been gotten and several meetings held with a view to it.

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ROBERT PENLAND BADLY HURT.

Prominent Buncombe County Man Cut by His Nephew as the Result of a Fight Brought on by a Family Feud.

Asheville, Sept. 22.—With a gash two and a half inches long in his left side and the depth of a knife blade, Robert Penland, one of the best known and most prominent citizens of Buncombe county, lies seriously wounded at his home in Leicester, as the result of a fight yesterday afternoon with his nephew, Henry Penland.

Constable Walker and Logan Lyda, of Leicester township, arrested Henry Penland and his mother, and they were yesterday given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate Ramsey, of Leicester, and committed without bail.

QUANTITY OF COTTON GINNED.

Census Report Up to and Including August 31st.

Washington, Sept. 22.—A census report on the quantity of cotton ginned in the United States from the growth of 1902 up to and including August 31st gives the following figures: Total commercial bales, 17,587, including 16,991 square bales, 570 round bales of upland crop and 26 bales of sea island crop.

The statistics by States follow: Alabama, ginneries in operation, 243; total commercial bales, 1,314, including 1,218 square bales and 96 round bales, upland crop.

Arkansas, 12 ginneries; total commercial bales, 17, all square bales. Florida, 60 ginneries; total commercial bales, 582, including 561 square bales, upland crop, and 21 sea island.

Georgia, 460 ginneries; total commercial bales, 6,286, including 5,922 square bales, 356 round bales and five bales sea island.

Indian Territory, 3 ginneries; total bales, 4, all square. Louisiana, 117 ginneries; total commercial bales, 448, comprising 443 square bales and five round.

Mississippi, 141 ginneries; total commercial bales, 384, all square. North Carolina, 35 ginneries; total commercial bales, 112, all square.

South Carolina, 254 ginneries; total commercial bales, 1,681, all square. Tennessee, 1 ginnery; total commercial, 1 square bale.

Texas, 850 ginneries; total commercial bales, 6,761, comprising 6,648 square and 113 round bales.

Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Oklahoma and Virginia, no ginneries reported in operation.

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WITH THE SCHOOLS

Opened This Week Under Favorable Auspices.

MUCH INTEREST IN EDUCATION

Valuable Additions to Public School Faculty—A. C. I. Begins Twenty-Fifth Annual Session.

The schools of the city are now in good running order, and with an unusually large attendance as a result of the much agitated question of Education during the passing summer.

The Public School started Wednesday with an enrollment of more than three hundred, which is largely in excess of the number enrolled during the opening week of last session.

The faculty of the public school is unusually strong. The addition of Misses Bagley and Luck is considered most fortunate. Both ladies come well recommended. Miss Bagley is a graduate of the Peabody Normal Institute of Nashville, Tenn., and she comes from a long line of distinguished educators.

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EXPERT PRESSMAN HERE.

Mr. Henry C. Stallings, expert printing press machinist, of Baltimore, arrived yesterday to overhaul the Tar Heel presses. Mr. Stallings has the reputation of being one of the most expert mechanics in his line in the country and the Tar Heel hopes to be able to give its patrons a well printed paper as a result of his work on the press.

KILLED 38 SNAKES.

Messrs. G. W. Bateman, C. W. Overton and W. D. Bateman, of Crosswell, were here yesterday. Mr. G. W. Bateman tells a snake story that is about equal to the Dare County snake story in our last issue.