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DUTIES OF THE TOWN BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Quite a number of people would like to see a report from the board of audit and finance of the town of Lumberton. We do not know when such a report may be expected, but we give below some of the things this board is supposed to do.

The said board shall, at such times during each year as they shall deem necessary, and at the end of each fiscal year, audit and cause to be settled the accounts of the town clerk and treasurer, and of all other employees of said town, or any person holding any funds or property belonging to the said town, and at such settlements it shall be the duty of the said board to carefully scrutinize all such accounts and to make careful inquiry as to the accuracy of all receipts, and to that end shall have full power and authority to summon persons and papers, and to administer oaths.

In all settlements the person charged therewith shall be required to make and file with said board an affidavit, declaring that the account so filed by him is true to the best of his knowledge, and said board may also examine him upon oath as to the matters contained in said account.

The said board shall cause to be published at the court house door in said town, at the end of each fiscal year, a full, true and perfect statement of the condition of each and every of the particular funds belonging to the said town, and such statement shall show the amount of the indebtedness of each fund and the amount on hand, and all receipts and disbursements during the fiscal year, and there shall be likewise published a statement showing the total indebtedness of the said town and the items thereof. Attached to each of said accounts shall be the affidavit of the town clerk and treasurer that the same are true, together with the endorsement of the board of audit and finance thereon as to the correctness of inaccuracy of the said accounts or any of them.

The board is authorized to employ an accountant, which it has already done, and the board is empowered to suspend any officer who may be found in default in any money due the town. It is further provided that this board shall once in every three months cause to be posted at the court house door a statement of all claims and demands against the town which have been audited and paid. The chairman of the board is ex officio commissioner of the sinking fund of the town.

As we started out by saying, there are many people who would like to see a report from this board, and there are even some who seem to think that this board really ought to make a report. These thoughtless ones who make bold to contend that the board ought to make a report seem to forget, though, that it does not seem to be the fashion for audit and finance boards to make reports. Such boards are appointed, you must know, to investigate, to hold meetings, to employ expert accountants, and so forth, but to make reports—well, you see how it is your self. Maybe this board and the county board are suffering with anachronism of the articulations necessary for reporting. To be sure. Maybe that is it.

Total Catarrh treatments are being mailed out free of charge by Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Cure. These letters are proving to the people—without a penny's cost—the great value of this scientific prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Remedy. Sold by All Dealers.

A great howl has gone up from some quarters because the President has presumed to order omitted from some new coins the words "In God We Trust."

It is a safe bet that if those words had never appeared on a placed on coins for the first time a great howl would have gone up from the same quarters and the same reasons would have been given, against the President's action in that case that the President gives for omitting them.

It is nothing, short of silly to say that because we do not about the fact from every coin that we no longer trust in God and that we are placing our trust in some other power. It is not the man or the nation that proclaims its trust in God, the loudest that is always worst of the trust of others.

We trust that those of our subscribers who are in arrears with their subscriptions and who intend to meet the sheriff on his second and last round, which he is making now, will be prepared to pay, the representative of The Robesonian who is accompanying the sheriff on his rounds this time.

Periodically the announcement is made that Robeson Superior Court will convene at such and such a time for a two weeks' session. But does the memory of the oldest inhabitant run back to a time when a two weeks' session was held? This case is continued and that case is continued until by the end of the first week, or quite early in the second week the Honorable Court is out of a job and ready to leave.

Mr. William Jennings Bryan has announced that he will accept the Democratic nomination for the Presidency in 1908. He says he is not seeking the nomination, but he would not refuse it if he is threatened with violence, you know, rather than have his clothes torn, as David Harum said about taking a drink. And nobody believes that the Democratic party will have the nerve and the sanity to say him nay—more's the pity.

On the 26th of December an election will be held in Raleigh to decide as to whether or not that town shall abolish the dispensary and establish prohibition. It was a happy thought to place the election day just the next day after Christmas. There is such a difference the morning after, you know, when you feel like you want to take it away and you swear that you'll never, never, never do it again.

A new star was added to the American flag to-day by the admission formally into the Union of the State of Oklahoma. President Roosevelt at 10:16 o'clock this morning signed the proclamation admitting the territories of Oklahoma and Indian Territory jointly as one of the American States.

A tickling cough, from any cause, is quickly stopped by Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. And it is so thoroughly harmless and safe, that Dr. Shoop sells mothers everywhere to give it without hesitation, even to very young babies. The whole some green leaves and tender stems of a lung-healing mountain shrub, furnish the curative properties to Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. It calms the cough, and heals the sore and sensitive bronchial membranes. No opium, no morphia, nothing harsh, used to induce or suppress. Simply a delicious plant extract, that helps to heal itching lungs. The Spaniards call this shrub, which the Doctor uses, "The Sacred Herb." Demand Dr. Shoop's, Take no other. All Dealers.

A Narrow Escape. G. W. Lloyd, a merchant of Plunk, Mo., had a narrow escape four years ago, when he ran a jimson bur into his thumb. He says: "The doctor wanted to amputate it but I would not consent. I bought a box of Brocken's Arnica Salve and that cured the dangerous wound."

Governor Glenn issued his Thanksgiving proclamation on the 14th. The proclamation, which is a lengthy one, is in part as follows:

"To me this is a most beautiful and helpful custom, for if a State or an individual will only compare their many blessings with their few ills—each will find that the good bestowed is far in excess of the evil and, therefore, a matter for profoundest rejoicing. While since the last proclamation some things have occurred in the State that are to be regretted and some feelings engendered that may have left a sting, still, when these disturbances and excitements are forgotten, or only remembered as having taught lessons of patriotism and wisdom, the peace, plenty and blessings of the past year will be remembered as cause for expression of our deepest gratitude to the author of all good."

"No pestilence or great epidemic of sickness has visited our people, but unusual health and freedom from disease have been enjoyed throughout the entire State. The demand for laborers in every department of business has been so great that good wages for reasonable hours have been given all who toil; and there has been no excuse for any able-bodied person's eating the bread of idleness or being dependent on charity. Peace and good will have existed between capital and labor, and employers and employes have enjoyed closer relations than ever before. More miles of railroad have been built; more factories of every description erected; more looms, spindles, planes, saws and furnaces put in operation, until the year 1907 has become the greatest in our history in material development and progressive upbuilding."

"Our farm products have commanded higher prices than heretofore, which, while entailing more expense on the consumer, has added greater gain to the producer, thus maintaining the parity of wealth. Money has been obtainable on easy terms and not even the stringency of Wall Street has affected to any great extent our financial condition. Investments have declared good dividends and fine returns have been made on every class of work, both in the agricultural and industrial field. Never before in the history of the State has there been such interest taken in public education, while a temperance wave has swept over the entire commonwealth, showing that, while our people have millions for investments, improvement and education, they are tired of seeing money squandered for strong drink that only brings ruin and shame, for they have ascertained that the true worth of a nation or State is not always to be gauged by the amount of its products, but by the character of its men and women. Isaiah said: 'I will make a man more precious than fine gold.' In the hour of our great prosperity we must not forget we are moral beings with souls, as well as progressive men, for soundness of heart and purity of life are the State's greatest bulwark of safety. Law and order have been maintained and no awful mobs assembled, but the people have been quiet and given up to deeds of industry and thrift."

"While trying to do full justice to all and protecting every class, high and low, during the year, the State has maintained that it is Supreme and that all, both great and small, must obey its law. The mercies thus shown us by a bountiful Creator have been so prodigious and the percentage of increase agricultural, industrially, educationally and morally so wonderful that it has attracted not only the notice of our nation, but of the entire world, and made it our duty to magnify the name of Him who has thus given us the increase."

The State Department of Agriculture has just issued a bulletin entitled "Lettuce Growing in North Carolina," by State Horticulturist W. K. Hunt. The bulletin covers thoroughly all phases of lettuce growing, is handsomely illustrated and will prove of both interest and profit to growers throughout the State. A copy of the bulletin will be mailed free of charge to all farmers upon application to the Department.

A good four-horse farm, located one and a quarter miles from Falkton, N. C. Farm is well drained, and adapted to planting. Has three good dwellings and all other necessary out-buildings. Rent preferred. Who can furnish his own supplies. Apply at once to Mrs. J. T. Williams, Falkton, N. C.

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Col. Henry Watterson, asked today by The Associated Press for his opinion on William J. Bryan's tentative acceptance of the Democratic presidential nomination, declared that he had labored with Bryan to have him decline the nomination and to quit his "dog in the manger" attitude.

Colonel Watterson realized that Bryan had in his power to demand the leadership of the Democratic party in 1908 or defeat any other candidate by knocking him as he did Parker.

Bryan's acceptance was no more than he had expected, however, and he regretted the action, because he thought Bryan could no longer create enthusiasm, as he had been before the people too many times.

Asked about the assertion often made as to who the next President would be, Roosevelt or Bryan, Colonel Watterson said that the nomination of Roosevelt was all Bryan supporters wanted, because they could then go to the people on the third term slogan. Bryan could carry New England in such a campaign, he thought. Roosevelt by such an act would Mexicanize this government, holding himself as greater than Washington.

As for himself, much as he disliked to do so, Colonel Watterson would vote for Bryan against Roosevelt in such a dilemma. He believed, however, that Roosevelt would decline another nomination, as he had nothing to gain and the Republican party had many men of presidential calibre. He mentioned especially Taft, Hughes and Crane, of Massachusetts. He said Senator Crane would make a strong man on the argument that New England had not had a President for a long time.

Mrs. Samuel T. Ramsey, of Wilmington, was fearfully burned early Saturday morning as the result of the bowl of a kerosene lamp upon a hot stove over which she was working. It is thought that her injuries will prove fatal.

Business Builders. Try an ad in this column. Whether it is a house to rent, something you want for sale, or a limited number of leads could be had for the results.

For Rent—One good two-horse farm. Apply to R. D. McNeill, Lumberton, N. C.

Notice—Any young lady who desires an education and who is really without means with which to pay for it, may write to J. M. Rhodes, Stetson, N. C.

For Sale—A new No. 7 Remington typewriter. Apply at The Robesonian office.

Land for Sale. An attorney for Ella May Wright, we offer for sale a tract of land, 142 acres, lying about three miles south of Wakefield on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, adjoining the lands of J. T. Cottingham, J. W. Carter and others.

A Good Farm for Rent. It is a three-horse farm, on the main road from St. Pauls to Fayetteville, three miles north of St. Pauls. It has a good dwelling house with several outbuildings, high good well, etc. Has also a commodious tenant house. For particulars communicate with Rev. Joseph Evans, St. Pauls, N. C.

Last Call For Taxes. I will attend at the following places at the times mentioned for the purpose of collecting taxes. This is the last call that will be made, and after that time the books for the various townships will be placed in the hands of collectors for the purpose of collecting the same by levy or otherwise, in accordance with law. I urge upon all persons to meet me at these places and pay their taxes.

South Bound. No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5, No. 6. Lumberton, 11:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m.

North Bound. No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5, No. 6. Lumberton, 11:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m.

Notice. After the 1st of January, 1908, my Gallego Ferry's Ferry will be discontinued. Please take your goods across the river before that date.

Notice. I desire to lease for 1908 or longer a 7-acre farm on the Fayetteville road, adjoining the lands of Robert H. Lewis and others, and upon which Chas. H. Odum now lives. I prefer a tenant who can furnish his own stock and supplies. Call on or write to B. B. McNeill, Lumberton, N. C.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are Ready to Furnish Things Needed for FALL and WINTER WEAR. Ladies' and Children's Cloaks \$1.00 to \$15.00 each; Furs, Boas, Throws and Cape Furs at \$1.50 to \$5.00 each. WINTER DRESS GOODS, Best Styles and Reasonable Prices. SILKS for Dresses and Shirt Waists. Miss Lizzie Caldwell and Miss Pearl Floyd are Salesladies in this Department.

Our Millinery Department in charge of Miss Amelia Linkhaw, has Miss Link, from New York City, and Miss Kerr, from Baltimore, as trimmers, and Misses Pearl Floyd and Lilly Barker, Salesladies. We show Correct Styles at Reasonable Prices. Visit our FURNITURE Department and inspect our Rugs, Art Squares, Carpets, Etc. SEE OUR GREAT BARGAINS IN ART SQUARES. We have a Splendid Assortment of Wool Art Squares 9 by 12 feet at \$10.00 each, and size 5 by 7 feet at \$5.00 each.

Caldwell & Carlyle, Lumberton, N. C.

Y O U ROBUST TWINS!

Will be pleased with our Select Stock OF SEASONABLE GROCERIES. Come and make your own selection or phone us and we will DO OUR BEST TO PLEASE YOU.

J. H. Wishart, Lumberton, N. C. Free Delivery. Phone No. 1. The Old RELIABLE! My Market has ever been and is yet up-to-date in Variety and Quality. As to service, I give the Best in my shop. WANTED. To Buy Good Beef Cattle.

A. H. Hinds, Phone 53. BY-LO Talcum Powder, Natural Violet. By-Lo is so fine that it floats in the air, and so delicately perfumed with the odor of fresh flowers, that we know you will like it. It does not have that Talcum Powder odor, just

The Small of Fresh Violets. We handle all the different kinds of High-Grade Talcum Powders, but regard By-Lo as the best there is. You will think so too when you try it. Yours to Please, Dr. J. D. McMillan & Son, DRUGGISTS, Lumberton, N. C.

Mark Your Loved Ones Graves. Headstones, \$4.00 Up. Monuments, \$11.00 Up. Best Work and White Marble. Save Traveling Agent's Commission—order through G. ERANCKE, Lumberton, N. C.

Last Chance! After the 1st of January, 1908, my Gallego Ferry's Ferry will be discontinued. Please take your goods across the river before that date.

For Rent or Lease. A one-horse farm about one and one-half miles south of Lumberton, and one two-horse farm two and one-half miles west of Lumberton, with good dwelling and barns. Apply to B. B. McNeill, Lumberton, N. C.

For Sale. A good Silver House and Lot in Bain's Hill on or near to CHAS. C. RAYLEY, Lumberton, N. C.

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