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A GREAT DAY.

Educational Rally at Pembroke Saturday—New School Building for Croatan Normal Almost Completed and Paid For—Addresses by State Auditor Dixon and Others—A Good Band.

Saturday was a great day with the Croatans at Pembroke, the occasion being an educational rally in which more than 500 participated. The occasion was intended for two purposes: first, to stir up more interest in education among this people; and second, to raise money to defray the expenses of erecting the new school building at Pembroke, which will be completed with three or four more days work. The building when finished will cost about \$6,000, all of which had been raised except 600; and after the exercises Saturday the board of trustees announced that nearly all of the \$600 was in sight, which amount must be paid before the building can be turned over to the board of trustees. School opened the first of October in the old building at Pates, where it will continue until the new building is completed and settled for, which will probably be done this week. The new building is between the old school house and Pembroke, being situated near the right of way of the Seaboard Railroad about three-quarters of a mile from Pates and a quarter of a mile from the depot at Pembroke. It is two-story, with several class rooms, and an auditorium that will seat nearly 500 people. The house is handsome in appearance and is a building of which the Croatans may justly feel proud. But back to the beginning.

Something after 11 o'clock Saturday morning in the auditorium of the new building at Pembroke, Prof. H. L. Edens, principal of the Croatan Normal, introduced the speaker of the day, Dr. B. F. Dixon, State Auditor, of Raleigh. Dr. Dixon spoke for about an hour, delivering an able address convincing all present of the necessity of an education. He said he spoke to the Croatans in the old school building two years ago, but had an audience of only about 40 people. He was surprised to see the progress the Croatans are making. After Dr. Dixon's speech there was some music furnished by the Croatan brass band, and then Prof. Edens announced that an hour would be given to eat and take a little recreation, after which they would meet again in the auditorium and have some more speaking. But immediately after this announcement all present were given a chance to pay over to the trustees any amount they would contribute to settle the debt of \$600 due on the building, and it was interesting to see how readily these people came forward and handed over their mites to clear up the indebtedness. Many of the old Croatans, gray headed, stooped and tottering with age, who have never had the opportunity of spending a day in school, could be seen pushing their way through the crowd to hand over their hard-earned money in order that their children may have the advantage of an education.

During the dinner hour, at the request of Dr. Dixon, Photographer Blackburn, of Lumberton, who was present, took a few pictures of the crowd and the building. About one o'clock in the afternoon, while the band was making lively with music, the crowd assembled again in the auditorium to hear more speaking. The music ceased and Prof. Edens made a few remarks, after which ex-Sheriff Geo. B. McLeod made a lively speech. Then Prof. J. A. Bivins, State Superintendent of the Croatan and colored normal schools, spoke for fifteen or twenty minutes. Prof. Bivins

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TAXABLE PROPERTY.

Report of County Auditor of all Taxable Property in Robeson, Listed and Unlisted—Comparison With Figures Last Year.

County Auditor Abner Nash has just made his report to the State Auditor of all the property listed for taxation in Robeson county, and this report, together with his estimate of unlisted property values, shows some interesting figures. The total value of real estate, listed and unlisted, is given as \$6,696,890, as compared with \$6,728,996 last year. Last year the value of all personal property was estimated at \$3,848,274; this year, \$3,910,482. Last year railroads, telegraph and telephone lines and all other public corporations were valued at \$3,696,503; this year, \$3,245,215. Bank stock shows an increase, the figures this year being \$282,892 as compared with \$256,374 for last year. Private corporations last year were listed at \$173,259; this year, \$179,470. Building and loan, last year \$11,736; this year, \$13,733. The total value of all taxable property in the county this year is given as \$14,328,678, last year the total was \$14,243,773.

The number of acres listed for taxation this year is 622,133, valued at \$4,334,894; unlisted, 23,278, valued at \$162,024; timber lands, listed, 68,603 acres, valued at \$244,281; unlisted, 465 acres, valued at \$1,465; town lots, listed, 2,710, value \$1,403,591; unlisted, 158, value \$50,629. Number of horses in the county, 1,945, value \$162,521; number of mules, 6,788, value \$623,897; jacks and jennies 4, value \$195; goats 197, value \$189; cattle 4,460, value \$69,804; hogs 30,620, value \$66,211; sheep 172, value \$279; dogs 302, valued at \$302; bicycles 403, valued at \$3,807.

The number of polls is given as 7,081, ten more than the number given last year. Schedule B & C taxes are given as approximately \$2,875. There are 37 special school tax districts in the county, the total special school taxes—which is in addition, of course, to the regular tax—is \$14,816.35.

Earl Bullock, a boy bandit of Lawrence, Kan., accompanied by William McKay, 15 years old, of Jacksonville, Fla., in an attempt Friday to repeat his exploit of a month ago, robbed the Eudora, Kan., State Bank of \$800 after shooting Fred Starr, a banker, and later probably mortally wounding himself when closely pressed by armed citizens. In his first hold-up of the Eudora State Bank, Bullock, who is 17 years old, shot and killed a policeman.

had much to say about the necessity of the parents keeping their children in school regularly, and said that the school needs four or five teachers instead of two, as it now has. He said he would spare no effort in trying to secure for the school a large appropriation from the State.

With Prof. Bivins' speech the exercises of the day ended, but in justice to the occasion one would not be fair without saying more about the band, which furnished much music. A. A., A. A., Jr., A. Q. R. F., Charlie B., and A. S. Locklear, James Cummings, W. W. Goings, Melvin Lowrie and Dock Chavis constitute the members of the band. Charlie B. Locklear, who played the alto-horn, is a 12-year-old boy and A. A. Locklear, Jr., who beats the cymbals, is a 9-year-old boy; and when the leader of the band would toot his horn these boys got music in their bones and it was surprising how they did play.

It is to be regretted that time and space will not permit a fuller account of the speeches, but there is consolation in the fact that many of the Croatans were present and have the benefit of much that was said in their behalf.

Prof. Edens and his assistant, Miss Belle Armstrong, of Washington, Penn., are doing a great work among this people and they are to be congratulated on their success.

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A SURPRISE MARRIAGE.

Miss Lula Humphrey, of Lumberton, and Mr. A. B. Watson, of Dillon, S. C., Wed in Fayetteville.

A marriage which occasioned considerable surprise occurred in Fayetteville Thursday when Miss Lula Humphrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Humphrey, of Lumberton, became the bride of Mr. A. B. Watson, of Dillon, S. C. It was a Gretna Green affair. The ceremony was performed at the LaFayette hotel by Rev. L. E. Thompson, pastor of the Fayetteville Methodist church.

Miss Humphrey left Thursday ostensibly to go to Fayetteville shopping and visiting, and the first her parents knew of her marriage was conveyed by a short news item in Friday's Charlotte Observer. It was known that the parties had been engaged for some time, but there was opposition on the part of the bride's parents and it was thought that the affair was at an end. The groom is a traveling salesman for a wholesale grocery house in Dillon. He met his bride when she was visiting his cousin, Miss Bessie Lane, in Dillon last summer. The bride's father is the well-known clerk of the court of Robeson. Mr. Humphrey received a message to the effect that they had gone to Florence. They will make their home in Dillon.

Some Peculiarities of Injuries Received in the Wreck at Armour.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

The recent wreck on the Seaboard Air Line near Armour was happily without its fatalities, but the peculiarity of the injuries received was remarkable. When the bull's eye of the freight engine plowed into that rear car, it made for the pocket of almost every man hurt, and, as a result, great havoc was wrought.

John Doe was hurt \$25. Richard Roe, having his hip pocket rent, could be soothed with nothing less than \$50, and thought he should have received \$75, as a flask in that pocket was somewhat shaken. Alexander Thomas had a pint broken in the inner left coat pocket. Asked \$150, but finally compromised for \$100; and so on down the line.

Possibly the most remarkable of all was the injury received by that bright and promising young attorney, Thomas Norment McDiarmid, Esq. Mr. McDiarmid was only reflectively hurt—that is to say, he was not on the train at all, but was at home some 50 miles away. However, a colored admirer of Mr. McDiarmid was on the train and in the wreck; and, in the generosity of his great heart, Mr. McDiarmid resolved to share his injuries. He did so \$112.50 worth. We are glad to be able to say that Mr. McDiarmid is in no immediate danger—in fact, that he will survive. As for his nigger—he never was hurt.

SYMPATHIZER.

Change of Schedule on the Virginia & Carolina Southern.

Some schedule changes went into effect this morning at 12:01 o'clock on the Virginia & Carolina Southern. Notice of the changes was not received in time to publish before they went into effect. By this new schedule the morning train from Hope Mills will arrive at 8:50, instead of 7:30, as formerly; and the evening train from Hope Mills, which formerly arrived at 6:30, will arrive 30 minutes earlier, at 6 o'clock. No change is made in the passenger trains to Hope Mills, which are due to leave at 9:50 a. m. and 7:15 p. m., as formerly. The local freight and passenger which formerly was due to leave Hope Mills at 12:20 p. m., arriving at Lumberton at 2:10 p. m., will leave Hope Mills at 9 a. m. and arrive at Lumberton at 11:10 a. m.; returning, it will leave Lumberton at 1 p. m. instead of 8 a. m., as formerly, and arrive at Hope Mills at 2:50 p. m. instead of 9:45 a. m. This local freight and passenger will now lie over at Hope Mills instead of Lumberton, as heretofore.

Pine-salve ALLY RELIEVES ALL FORMS OF SKIN DISEASE. **Carbolized**

SUPERIOR COURT.

Verdict of Manslaughter Agreed Upon in Murder Case Against Young Croatans—Murder Case Wednesday—Davis Submits to Burglary in Second Degree—Chain-Gang Keeper Indicted—Many Citizens Indicted for Failing to List Taxes.

The second week of a two-weeks' criminal term of Robeson Superior Court convened this morning at 11 o'clock, Judge C. C. Lyon of Elizabethtown presiding and Solicitor N. A. Sinclair of Fayetteville being present to represent the State. Judge Lyon and Solicitor Sinclair spent yesterday at their respective homes, returning this morning.

Boss Locklear (alias Davis) and Willie Brooks, young Croatans about 18 years old, were put on trial Friday for the murder of Nolan Bryant, a Croatan about 20 years old, at Pembroke on the 1st of August last. Before the trial began Messrs. McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor, attorneys for the defendant, offered to submit Locklear for manslaughter without condition as to sentence if the solicitor would agree to the minimum sentence of 4 months on the roads for Brooks. This Solicitor Sinclair declined to agree to and after the evidence was all in Saturday afternoon both sides agreed to a verdict of manslaughter for both defendants, leaving the sentence absolutely with the judge, which Solicitor Sinclair had agreed to do before the trial was entered upon. It was in evidence that Locklear and Brooks were loaded up on cider, one of them cut the coat of the deceased in the back, and when they started away and Bryant started to his wheel Locklear turned and shot three times, two balls taking effect. Bryant died a week later. Sentence has not yet been passed.

Henry Davis, colored, who entered the home of Policeman Dixon at Pembroke some time ago at night and was shot and wounded by Mr. Dixon, submitted this morning to burglary in the second degree through his attorneys, Messrs. McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor and Woodberry Lennon, who made the plea of imbecility for their client. Judge Lyon heard a few witnesses but has not yet passed sentence.

The grand jury Saturday returned a true bill for malfeasance against W. D. Pevatt, keeper of the chain-gang, having on its visit to the chain-gang found Pevatt drunk and unable to answer questions, and Solicitor Sinclair has drawn a bill of indictment against him. Something of a rattling of dry bones is likely to be caused by the fact that the grand jury has found true bills against some 400 citizens of the county for failure to list their polls. Solicitor Sinclair has drawn bills of indictment against them. The grand jury was excused Saturday until tomorrow.

A case against Alex. and Caroline E. Morrison for f. and a. is on trial at the time of going to press.

D. B. McKee, larceny of wood, the case on trial Thursday when The Robesonian went to press; not guilty.

John Davis, larceny; plead guilty of trespass on property of Wm. Macks; 4 months on roads.

Marshall Austin, larceny; plead guilty; 4 months on roads.

Fred McCallum, house breaking and larceny; plead guilty of larceny from dwelling; nol. pros. as to housebreaking; 2 years on roads.

Chas. and Lena Norton, retailing; not guilty.

Saturday afternoon the grand jury returned a true bill against Rafe Graham, Will Brown, Sam Malloy (alias Green, alias Newton) and Press Wade, all colored, for the murder of Wm. Ross, also colored, on July 30 last, at Maxton. Ross was the negro whose dead body was found on the Seaboard tracks near Maxton August 1st. Press Wade has not been taken. The other defendants have been lodged in jail in Lumberton some time. The case has been set for trial Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock and a special venire of 75 men has been ordered.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Dr. N. A. Thompson, who received severe injuries in the wreck at Armour last Tuesday night, is improving and was able to sit up a while today.

—Mr. Jno. McAllister returned Saturday from a trip to Baltimore and New York, where he purchased a stock of goods for the new store of the McAllister Hdw. Co. at St. Pauls.

—Mrs. Jno. R. Morris went yesterday to Wilmington, where she will attend the marriage of her sister, Miss Lily Kerr, to Mr. L. E. Woodberry, also of Wilmington, Wednesday.

—Long Branch Baptist church, of which Rev. I. P. Hedgpath is pastor and which is situated five miles south of Lumberton, will be dedicated next Sunday, the 21st. The sermon will be preached by Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church of Lumberton.

—There will be an oyster supper and recital in both vocal and instrumental music at the St. Pauls academy Friday evening, the 19th inst. Admission to the recital will be free and the public is cordially invited to attend. The object of the oyster supper is to raise money for the piano fund.

—Sloan and Jake Powell and "Colonel" McLean, all colored, were before Mayor Rowland this morning for using profane language on the old bridge Saturday night. The Powells were taxed \$5 each and costs, a total of \$7.50 each, and McLean was taxed \$2.50 and costs, a total of \$5.15.

—The revival meeting which began two weeks ago at the Gospel tabernacle closed with the service last evening. Rev. A. B. Crumpler, of Clinton, who assisted the pastor, Rev. F. Weiss, left for his home this morning. Interest continued throughout the meeting and much good was accomplished.

—A recital will be given at the Raft Swamp school house, Raft Swamp township, on Wednesday evening, 24th inst., beginning at 7:30 o'clock, by Miss Mary Bryan, pianist, and Miss Addie Tyner, reader. Admission will be 25 cents. Tickets are on sale at the McLean-Sledge drug store in Lumberton.

—The condition of Mr. R. McA. Nixon, who is under treatment at the Thompson hospital for typhoid fever, is thought to be slightly improved today. Mr. Nixon's mother and sister, Mrs. J. C. and Miss Irene Nixon, of Topsail, Pender county, arrived Friday to be with him. Miss Nixon left for home this morning.

—A compromise settlement has been made by the Seaboard with many of those who received slight injuries in the wreck at Armour last Tuesday night and a gentleman remarked on the streets this morning that it is wonderful how much some have improved since the settlements were made. With apologies to Tennyson—

But the jingling of the dollars helps the hurt that many felt, And now that claims are settled they're restored to perfect health.

—As mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, Mr. Thomas H. Lindsey, of Durham, will give an entertainment in the auditorium of the graded school building this evening. Mr. Lindsey is a well-known impersonator and entertainer and an evening of enjoyment is promised all who attend. The entertainment will begin at 8 o'clock and admission prices will be 10 cents for children and 25 cents for adults. Half the receipts will go to the school and will be used for purchasing song books, which are very much needed.

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