

COUNTY SCHOOL MATTERS.

Reward of \$50 Offered for Person Who Set Fire to School Building in Howellsville Township—Decision of School Board in Regard to Children of Joseph Evans Reversed—New Indian Districts Wanted—Special Appointments, New Committeemen and Other Matters.

The county board of education held its regular monthly meeting last Monday.

Supt. J. R. Poole was continued as a committee to secure title to a school site in district 3, Alfordsville.

Special apportionments were allowed as follows: district 5, White House, \$80 in order to give school a 4-months' term; district 2, colored, St. Paul's, \$10 for building purposes; district 4, colored, Lumber Bridge, \$20 in order to give a 4-months' term.

A petition was presented asking for the creation of a new district for the Indian race near Red Springs and Chairman Lucius McRae and Supt. Poole were appointed a committee to investigate same and report at some subsequent meeting of the board.

School committeemen were appointed as follows: D. J. Revels, in district 2, Indian, Alfordsville, in place of H. H. Lowrey, resigned; H. Jones in district 1, Indian, Saddle Tree, to fill unexpired term of Whalon Locklear, resigned; E. McQ. Rowan in district 2, Britt's, to fill unexpired term of David Davis, who has moved out of district.

C. K. Morgan was appointed attendance officer for district 4, White House.

Sale of the old public school house in district 7, colored, Lumber Bridge to J. A. McNeill for \$25 was confirmed on condition that the furniture on the building be reserved.

Application to the State loan fund for a loan of \$500 for district 1, colored, Red Springs, was approved.

A reward of \$50 is offered by the board for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who set fire to the school building recently burned in district 6, Howellsville.

A hearing was held before the board in regard to the children of Joseph A. Evans, who were expelled from the school in district 1, Indian, Rafi Swamp, by the committeemen of the school "until substantial evidence is presented to show that they are clear of negro blood to the fourth generation." The board of education after weighing evidence and argument of counsel, was convinced that there is no negro blood in the children and that they are entitled to attend the Indian schools of the county. From this judgment the committee of the district, through their counsel, R. A. McLean, gave notice of appeal to the Superior Court. The children were represented by McIntyre Lawrence and Proctor. Enoch Oxendine, G. A. Locklear and Gilbert Locklear offered their resignations as committeemen in this district and they were accepted.

The former decree of the board in the case of Bergwyn McLean vs. committeemen of district 3, Wishart's, reopened to hear additional evidence, was affirmed.

Several rebates were ordered paid on amount of errors in listing special school taxes.

OUT BARKERS WAY.

No Place Like Old Robeson — A Catastrophe Reported in Ten Mile Swamp — School Doing Good Work — Baseball.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumberton, R. F. D. 1, Feb. 6.—We are having some rainy weather now. Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Powers and Messrs. Charlie and Mitchell Powers of Barker's left Thursday for Hamlet, N. J.

Mr. H. M. Barfield left last week for Florida.

Sorry to report the illness of Mr. Ed M'White. Hope he will soon be out again.

Mr. Amos Howell of Fayetteville spent a few days last week with relative at Ten Mile.

Mrs. J. D. Monroe and children and Miss Jennie Monroe of Tar Heel spent a few days last week with Mrs. Monroe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Powers of Barker's.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Barfield returned last week from Florida. Mr. Barfield says Florida is not the place for him; he says no place is like old Robeson county.

It has been told that there is a dreadful catamount in the Ten Mile swamp. It has been heard several times at Howellsville crossing.

Mr. H. Wessel of Lumberton passed through Barker's Thursday.

School is progressing fine at Ten Mile. The teachers are having a baseball ground fixed for the boys.

School will soon be out at Barker's, but they are doing some good work. They have a nice baseball ground and play with the Ten Mile boys.

BROAD RIDGE BREEZES.

Building Tobacco Barns—New Residence — Exit the Mumps — Something Doing, But No Particulars — Dangerous Place for Loafing Dogs.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Orrum, R. F. D. 1, Feb. 6.—Most of the farmers in this section are building tobacco barns for the year.

Mr. D. G. Lawson has his new residence almost completed, which is one of the nicest on the Ridge.

Sorry to report the illness of our beloved pastor, Rev. J. I. Stone, Jr. Hope he will soon be out again.

Miss Quessie Prevatt, one of our teachers spent the week-end at Back Swamp with home folks.

Misses Lizzie and Naomi Bissell visited friends at Fairmont Sunday.

The mumps seem to be all gone on the Ridge now.

There is a wedding near at hand, but can't give the particulars just now.

Mr. David Collins had a runaway a few days past and was somewhat frightened, but no damage was done except broken harness.

Our teacher, Miss Johnson, attended the exercises at Bloomingdale last week and reports a fine time.

Mr. Jas. Lawson killed a dog Sunday which was supposed to be mad. All who have dogs and want to keep them had better keep them confined and not allow them to loaf on the Ridge.

Falls From Fatal Stroke While Praying at Funeral.

Monroe Dispatch, 7th.

Rev. Joseph L. Bennett, a distinguished Baptist minister, died at Marshville last night at 9 o'clock from a stroke of apoplexy which first affected him at 5 o'clock in the evening.

Rev. Mr. Bennett had come to Marshville to conduct the funeral of 'Squire A. J. Brooks and had preached the sermon and reached the grave after which the Masonic fraternity proceeded with their burial honors and when completed Mr. Bennett began repeating the Lord's prayer and before completing it he fell to the ground and was taken to Mr. E. C. Griffin's residence, where he died.

The funeral will be conducted with Masonic honors on Sunday by Marshville Lodge of which he was a member.

Oyster Supper at Marietta Friday Night.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Marietta, February 7.—There will be an oyster supper at Marietta next Friday night for the benefit of our new Methodist church. It will be under the management of the Ladies Aid Society of the place, and a grand time is expected. Come one come all. Don't forget the date, Feb. 13. Gregg building, 2nd floor.

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The North Carolina Supreme Court has announced the granting of license to practice law to 47 of the 53 applicants who undertook the examination at the opening of the spring term last Monday. There were no applicants from Robeson county. Joseph A. Lyon of Bladen county was among the successful applicants.

Horrible Blisters of Eczema.

Quickly cured by Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. C. P. Caldwell, of New Orleans, La., states: "My doctor advised me to try 'Dr. Hobson's Eczema Salve.' I used three boxes of Ointment and three Cakes of Dr. Hobson's Derma Soap. Today I have not a spot anywhere on my body and can say I am cured." It will do the same for you. Its soothing, healing, anti-septic action will rid you of all skin humors, blackheads, pimples, Eczema blotches, red unsightly sores, and leaves your skin clean and healthy. Get a box today. Guaranteed. All druggists, 50c, or by mail. Pfeiffer Chemical Co., Philadelphia & St. Louis.

Old-Time Medical Humor.

It has been said that there are altogether only twenty-nine jokes in the world, and that most of these can be found in the specimens of Roman humor which have been preserved for us by the artists and wits of the classical and post-classical periods. How far this may be true is a question, but an excellent illustration of it is afforded by Dr. Crawford's recent article in the London Lancet on "Martial and Medicine." Martial was the acutely observant satirist and critic of a city that in the course of a little more than a century had risen in population from less than a hundred thousand to nearly two million. In that city the wealth of the world was being poured, and to it came men of all nations seeking to get into the center of things. Some of the oldest jokes known to medicine and dentistry are found in these epigrams. Conditions usually thought of as recent, were humorously and satirically touched on by Martial nearly two thousand years ago.

The old saying, "The surgeon buries his mistakes," has its exemplification in Martial epigram on the surgeon turned undertaker.

Dialus undertook of late
The operator's art,
But now prefers to operate
The undertaker's part.

The fact that there were clinical teaching and that patients complained of abuses in it is shown by one of Martial's epigrams.

I lay ill; but soon Symmachus sought me
With a class of a hundred young men
Whose hundred cold paws have brought me
The fever I lacked till then.

Martial ridicules the false adornments worn by the women of his time. He originated the quip that "they lie who says that Phoebe dyes her hair black—she buys it black."

While the poet pokes fun at the oculist and seems to have a little grudge against specialists, he pictures one of them as warning his patient that if he continues to indulge in liberal potations he will surely lose his sight, as dimness of vision has already begun. The cravine is too strong for the patient and his sight is lost.

Aulus, there's Phryx, that fine old winebibber
Blind of one eye and of the other clear:
His doctor Heras said, "Drop alcohol
For if you take it, you'll not see at all."

Laughing, Phryx wished his eyes a last good-bye
And ordered cups to be mixed frequently:
D'you want to know the consequences? Why,
'Twas wine to Phryx, but poison to his eye.

Diseases due to luxurious habits had multiplied greatly in Rome. What was called gout, that is, pains and aches in joints and muscles, and the vague conditions that we now call rheumatism had also greatly increased. Pliny, who was an old contemporary of Martial, says: "Gout used to be an extremely rare disease, not in the times of our fathers and grandfathers, only, but even within my own memory. Although the gouty were usually rich and of luxurious habits, some of them, evidently, were not good pay."

Diodorus, while he sues in court,
On gouty feet can stand:
But when the lawyer's bill is brought
The gout sets fast his hand.

Evidently, says the Journal of the American Medical Association, many counterparts of the men and manners of Martial's time could be found to-day.

There is an unfortunate disposition in a man to attend much more to the faults of his companions which offend him than to their perfections which please him.—Greville.

VALENTINE VERSES.

Oh, my love's like a red rose
That's newly sprung in June;
Oh, my love's like the melody
That's sweetly played in tune.
As fair art thou, my bonny lass,
So deep in love am I;
And I will love thee still, my dear,
Till a' the seas gang dry,
Till a' the seas gang dry, my dear,
An' the rocks melt with the sun,
I will love thee, my dear,
While the sands of life shall run.
—Burns.

But though I loved you well, I would
you not;
And yet, good faith I wished myself
a man;
Or, that we women had men's privilege
Of speaking first. —Shakespeare.

'Tis said that absence conquers love;
But, oh! believe it not!
I've tried, alas! it's power to prove,
But thou art not forgot.
—Thomas.

For this a hundred voices I desire
To tell them what a hundred tongues
would tire;
Yet never could be worthily express,
"How deeply thou art seated in my breast."
—Dryden.

Love is the only good in the world;
Henceforth he loved as heart can love
Or brain desire, or hand approve.
—Robert Browning.

The Scotch in Andrew Carnegie.

Andrew Carnegie started in with a one-horse blast furnace outfit and built up the greatest steel business in the world, says the Popular Magazine. Shrewdness, that peculiar trait prominent in so many of his countrymen, played the important part of that great achievement. Later he sold out his business to the steel trust for \$300,000,000 stipulating that \$100,000,000 should be cash and \$200,000,000 in first mortgage five per cent bonds; that the bonds should be guaranteed against any future State or National tax. Again that shrewd foresight, now comes the so-called income tax, but instead of Mr. Carnegie contributing on the income of those \$200,000,000 bonds, the Government will have to look to the United States Steel Corporation.

The old ironmaster uses the same methods in his present vocation of giving away money as he did in the early days of accumulation. He makes sure that each contribution is going to serve a proper cause, whether it be \$10 or \$10,000,000.

Some time ago a delegation from a small church in a Pennsylvania town, where Carnegie once lived, called upon the philanthropist.

"Mr. Carnegie," said the chairman, "we have come to ask your help in the purchase of a pipe organ. We need it badly, and knowing that you once attended our church, thought possibly you would be interested."

"How much do you want?" asked Carnegie.
"Well," answered the chairman, "we have figured on \$20,000."
"Go back and raise \$10,000, and I'll talk with you," commanded the old fellow.

A month or so later the delegation returned, and, with a twinkle in his eye the chairman explained that the \$10,000 was in hand.

"Well," said Carnegie, "that's enough for any organ. I'll not contribute a cent."

Two or three weeks later, however the chairman received Carnegie's check for \$50,000 toward building a new church.

Recognized Advantages.

You will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has recognized advantages over most medicines in use for coughs and colds. It does not suppress a cough but loosens and relieves it. It aids expectoration and opens the secretions, which enables the system to throw off a cold. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. It contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. For sale by all dealers.

Yancey County Woman Scared to Death by Boys.

Pensacola, N. C., Special, 6th, to Charlotte Observer.

What turned out to be one of the worst tragedies in the history of Yancey county occurred on Jack's creek, about six miles from Burnsville Sunday night. From information received it seems two boys of that section, while intoxicated visited the home of Mrs. Neil Bradford, who was alone with the exception of a little girl eight years old.

The boys, cursing and swearing demanded admittance to the house. The woman fearing them barred the door and asked them to leave. They called for matches and said they were cold. So she slipped the matches to them through a crack under the door. The boys started a fire near the house and the poor woman, doubtless thinking that the house would be burned and afraid to try to escape as she was an invalid, went into hysterics.

She fell to the floor and the child called loudly that her mama was dead. After the boys had gone some neighbors came and found the woman was dead. The sheriff and coroner were called from Burnsville. The woman was an invalid and was literally scared to death.

Officers are looking for Artemus Bailey and a youth named Williams.

Campaign Against Wood Alcohol.

The New York Committee for the Prevention of Blindness has begun a crusade against makers of bay rum and other toilet articles containing wood alcohol. Two manufacturers have been fined and four more face trial. Bay rum containing wood alcohol may cause blindness or death. Soft drinks containing wood alcohol may cause a withering of the optic nerve and consequent blindness. Workers in large vats who are obliged to shellac the inside of them become blind from inhaling the fumes of the wood alcohol contained in the shellac. The laws are stringent regarding the manufacture and sale of wood alcohol, but unless some one makes it his business to keep watch on the unscrupulous manufacturer they will introduce this vile poison because it is cheaper. See to it that your barber uses only the best toilet articles, and that the ginger ale you drink is one that does not contain this poison. You can detect the odor in most instances and this should put you on your guard.

Smith's Island to be Made Winter Resort.

Wilmington Star.

Of interest throughout the State will be the announcement that historic Smith's Island, at the mouth of the Cape Fear river, and better known as "Bald Head," has been purchased from the Walker estate, of this city, for a consideration of approximately \$50,000, and that company with a capitalization of \$1,000,000 has been formed for the purpose of developing it into a high class winter resort.

Mr. T. G. Boyd, of Hamlet, N. C., is head of the syndicate which has purchased the island, and is said to be actively interested in the company which will develop it as a winter resort. It is further understood that work will begin on the property within a very short time, and that the plans contemplate the erection and completion of a modern, high-class tourist and resort hotel in time to receive guests next winter.

Easter Caldwell, who killed his wife and her uncle, Asbury Moody, in Haywood county last September, was sentenced to 50 years in the penitentiary by Judge Carter at Waynesville Wednesday.

TOURIST AGENT OF S. A. L.

Charles H. Gattis, Formerly District Passenger Agent, Returns to Raleigh to Enter on This New Work.

Raleigh News and Observer.

Raleigh is now to have a tourist agency and from this point will be arranged tours covering all sections of this country and it will be pleasant news to the people of Raleigh and North Carolina that this brings back Mr. Charles H. Gattis, formerly district passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line, who resigned in 1910 to become general passenger agent of the Georgia and Florida Railway at Augusta. Having been appointed tourist agent of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, he will establish here "The Gattis Tourist Agency," with offices in the Tucker building. Mr. Gattis will be in charge with Mr. W. A. Swallow as assistant.

Mr. Gattis has extensive experience along this line, and prior to severing his connection with the Seaboard worked up and personally conducted large parties successfully to many points of interest in the United States, Canada and Cuba, and this success is proof of his equipment for the work, for which there is a large field in the South.

The Bureau's work will be to make complete plans for all kinds of expense tours throughout the country for the convenience of tourists and pleasure seekers, with trips for individuals, families and private parties, with all details worked out, the Bureau to have on hand maps, schedules, and full information as to tours throughout the world, which will be available to all. Mr. Gattis plans to personally conduct all large tours and these will be chaperoned by Mrs. Gattis, the social features of the tours to be emphasized.

Already Mr. Gattis is arranging to take a party through Florida and Cuba in March, one to Washington at Easter, through the Eastern cities and Canada this summer and to Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco next year.

We are all glad to welcome him back to Raleigh and wish him much success.

Dates for Confederate Reunion Changed.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dispatch, 5th.

Acting upon the request of Gen. Bennett H. Young, of Louisville, Ky., commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, dates for the 24th annual Confederate reunion here, were postponed from April 29th, 30th and May 1st, to May 6th, 7th and 8th, at a meeting here today of representatives of the Veterans' Association, railroad officials and members of the local entertainment committee. Members of Gen. Young's staff and business organization throughout the country joined in the request that the reunion dates be postponed.

Sampson county Wednesday had its first jail delivery since building its brick jail 20 years ago. Four prisoners escaped. One of them James Mitchell, 17 years old, serving a 15 year sentence for criminal assault, lay down on the track of the Rowland Lumber Co.'s road near Hobton and fell asleep and a passing train ran over and killed him.

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