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LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Rex Furniture Company Fails—Unfortunate Mr. Leonard Not Wanted in North nor South Carolina.

Lexington Dispatch, Aug. 14th

The Rex Furniture Company, organized here about three years ago for the purpose of manufacturing tables, has become a voluntary bankrupt. This company was formerly known as the Atlas Table Co. It has never prospered, and some time ago there was a change in the management and the company was re-organized under the name of the Rex Furniture Co. Reverses continued, however, and the concern has been hard pressed for some time. Friday night a meeting of stockholders was held, and it was decided to go into voluntary bankruptcy. A petition stating that the concern was insolvent and asking for a receiver was sent to Judge Boyd, and notice to show why the said company should not be adjudged bankrupt was made returnable today, the 9th. Chief Office Deputy T. E. McCrary, of Greensboro, came to Lexington Saturday night to serve the papers in the case. The total indebtedness of the company is placed at nearly \$30,000, and it is thought the assets will about reach this sum. The capital stock paid is nearly \$18,000, and there are about fifty stockholders. The factory has been in active operation two years, and during this time a total of about \$17,000 have been lost by the stockholders in the two companies—the Atlas and the Rex.

The county commissioners on Monday issued an order that John H. Leonard, who is insane, be removed to South Carolina by the sheriff of Davidson and delivered to the sheriff of Anderson county, where Leonard's wife resides. This is an interesting case, and the outcome will be watched with interest. Briefly stated, the facts are as follows: Leonard's old home is in Davidson county. Some years ago he moved to South Carolina and married there; shortly afterwards he became insane and was confined in the South Carolina State Hospital. In January of this year Leonard's father, Jos. A. Leonard, of Lexington, visited his son at the hospital; the young man was apparently greatly improved in mind, and Mr. Leonard secured permission to bring the boy back to North Carolina. A short time after his arrival back in Davidson Leonard again lost his mind. He was sent to the State Hospital at Morganton; after he was received there the authorities learned of his former incarceration in the South Carolina hospital, and refused to keep him longer, claiming he is a citizen of South Carolina. The South Carolina authorities allege Leonard is a citizen of North Carolina; that when they released him from the State hospital at Columbia, it was with the distinct understanding that he was not to be brought back to South Carolina; and they say they will not take him back in the hospital.

A special from Winston to Sunday's daily papers says: "Capt. A. H. P. Cornell, civil engineer, who recently made a preliminary survey for the South-bound railroad from this city to Wadesboro, is arranging to make another survey for the permanent location of the proposed line. Several of his men have arrived here. The work will probably commence next week. Capt. Cornell has filed his report on the first survey with Col. F. H. Fries, president of the road. It is understood that the engineer has received instructions to run the line via Arcadia instead of Midway in

Davidson county, the latter township having voted down the proposition to issue bonds for the building of the road."

Local southbound freight No. 68 was wrecked between Thomasville and Lake Monday afternoon. The wreck was caused by the train breaking in two and the detached section crashing into the cars in front while coming down a steep grade. Three box cars were derailed and thrown across the track, and it was necessary to have a wrecking crew and derrick from Spencer to remove the obstruction before other trains could pass. W. S. Hodges, of Danville, was flagging on the train. He was on the rear section when it crashed into the cars and the shock threw him from the train. Mr. Hodges was placed on the engine of the freight and was brought to Lexington, where his wounds were dressed by Dr. David J. Hill. He was badly bruised and skin was missing from a number of places on his face and body. No bones were broken, however, and Mr. Hodges was able to return home Monday night. No. 7, the afternoon southbound passenger train, was delayed about two hours, and No. 97, the fast mail, about one hour by the wreck.

There is little probability that any harm will come to Sheriff Dorsett on account of the privileges or liberties allowed Rene Hedrick, a federal prisoner. The fact is, it has been a custom here for a long time for sheriffs to permit federal prisoners to go about town. Sheriff Leonard did it; so did other sheriffs before him. We are also told that it has been usual in various counties.

The courthouse has been wired preparatory to the installation of electric lights.

For the month of July Register Owen issued 22 marriage licenses as against 12 for the same month last year.

Vance Floyd, a young white man, died at his home on the outskirts of the town Saturday morning of typhoid fever. He was 22 years old, and was a son of Noah Floyd. The burial took place at Pilgrim Sunday.

The new pipe organ for the First Presbyterian church at Lexington has arrived and is being installed this week. The organ cost about \$1,600, and is a beautiful piece of workmanship. It is 14 feet high, 7 feet deep and 12 feet wide.

Davidson Superior court convenes here next Monday, August 14th. Clerk Philips tells us the criminal cases set for trial are about up to the average docket in number, and that there are more warrant cases than usual. About the most important cases are against Nat. Crump, charged with waylaying H. Clay Grubbs, and the case against Lester Davis, Henry Charles and David Leonard, charged with being accessories of Crump.

Notwithstanding that citizens of Lexington will pay interest on the \$60,000 bond issue, it is a fact that the poll tax is just 25 cents less than last year. The difference is caused by the abolishment of the street tax.

Mr. Walter S. Craver and Miss Emma Nance were married by Rev. J. C. Leonard, July 30th, at the Reformed parsonage.

W. B. Hampton, an aged citizen of Carlisle, had an unusual experience Monday afternoon. While leading his cow from the pasture a wasp stung Mr. Hampton on the back of the head. A moment later he fell to the ground completely paralyzed. A son of Mr. Hampton was near by, and seeing his father

CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

United Confederate Veterans Meet. Mrs. Widenhouse Dead.

Concord Times, Aug. 15.

Camp No. 212, United Confederate Veterans, held their annual meeting in the court house last Tuesday at 2 o'clock p. m. Routine business was enacted, after which officers were chosen. Company F. N. C. Cavalry, held its annual reunion the same day. Since the last meeting one of its members and its president has died, namely, W. D. Anthony. E. F. Faggart was chosen to succeed him, and John Frieze was re-elected secretary. After the business was over the veterans enjoyed a good dinner at the Hotel Normandy. A committee was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions of respect to the memory of Mr. Anthony.

A telegram was received here last Tuesday announcing the death of Clinton Ury, which occurred at the home of J. V. Fisher, in Hickory, Thursday. Mr. Ury was about 28 years of age, and had been ill for some months with consumption. He leaves four sisters and one brother.

W. L. Widenhouse received a phone message last Thursday from Millington stating that Mrs. William Hartsell, a sister of Mrs. Widenhouse, had died suddenly Wednesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Widenhouse visited in Stanly county Sunday and stopped at Mrs. Hartsell's, who was there in apparent good health. The message did not state what was the cause of death.

Peddled Without License.

A rather large man of middle age, giving his name as J. W. Reed, was arrested last Thursday on the charge of peddling without a license, and failing to give the bond required was committed to jail.

He sold a box of tobacco to W. H. Wallace and some nice pants, for a mere song, to Louis Bank. Of course, he had a story to tell, which may or may not be true. Wonderfully strange experiences come to a man on a lark. It is thought the goods he sold may have been stolen from a freight car or store somewhere. Anyhow, he is suspected, and detectives are at work on the case. It is said there are other and more serious charges against him in Virginia.

It is said he took his arrest very coolly.

New Bank's Stockholders Meet.

Pursuant to call, the stockholders of Salisbury's new bank met in the office of Maupin Bros. last Monday to elect officers, select a location for building, prepare a charter, and transact such other preliminary business as may be necessary to launch this new institution.

fall, hurried to him and carried him to the house. Stimulants were administered, but it was several hours before he recovered.

Charlie Foltz died August 4th at Arcadia of typhoid fever and was buried at Friedburg the next day. Also Mr. Bob Nifong's wife was buried the same day and in the same cemetery.

The recipe for painting as given by J. R. McCrary is known as "the U. S. Government Whitewash," and is used in painting all light-houses and various other buildings. The government generally uses the best, which is a good recommendation for this paint. It can be colored with other paints.

ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

Orphans Visits Albemarle. New Free Delivery Route to Start From Richfield.

Stanly Enterprise, Aug. 10.

Mrs. L. O. Ramage was stricken suddenly on Monday and died shortly afterwards. Her remains were interred Tuesday in the cemetery at Anderson Grove church. A husband and several small children survive.

R. F. D. route No. 2, leading out from Richfield, by way of Copal Grove, Misenheimer Springs and other points, will be in operation in this county by Oct. 15.

The visit of the class of orphans from Oxford Orphanage on Tuesday was a pleasant, happy and successful event. Nothing opens the hearts and purses of our people more than does this annual visit of the orphans. The class this year is composed of 10 girls and 4 boys, and the programme and exercises were of unusual interest, thought by many to be the best of several seasons. Rain prevented holding the concert Monday night, but despite rain and mud a goodly crowd greeted the class the following night and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the exercises. In the afternoon Senator Overman made a happy and well-appointed speech of twenty minutes. The Senator was at his best, but the threatening weather made the crowd restless. The Forest Hill band furnished splendid music for the occasion. Proceeds amount to about \$200.

J. L. Forrest, of Salisbury, was down last week spending several days with his parents in the vicinity 4 miles east of Albemarle. His step-mother Mrs. J. D. Forrest was stricken a few days ago with a severe case of appendicitis, though her condition is much improved and it is now thought an operation will not be necessary.

W. H. Hamill, of Gold Hill, who has had a position in the Whitney works for some time has been advanced to the position recently vacated by the sudden death of W. J. Parker.

Scholarships for Salisbury Pupils.

The Meridian (Miss.) Female College offers, through Prof. Griffin, a full-tuition scholarship in that institution to any graduate of the Salisbury High School. It can be obtained from the professor by any graduate of the High School, and the early bird catches the worm.

There are, in addition to this, six scholarships offered annually to the graduates of the Salisbury High School, as follows: One to the State University, two to the A. & M. at Raleigh, one to Washington and Lee University (Lexington, Va.), one to Elizabeth College of Charlotte, and one to the foremost college for women in Ohio.

This is a good opportunity for some of our working people whose circumstances have been such as to enable their children to graduate from the High School to add to their knowledge by taking up these scholarships—provided they are able to meet their family expenses without the assistance of their sons and daughters; and provided, further, they are able to properly board and clothe said sons and daughters while getting this higher education.

Mrs. Frances M. Wood, of Augusta, Ga., who has been under treatment for some weeks at the Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium, is now in the mountains, where she hopes to complete the cure of her illness before returning home.

HICKORY IS GROWING,

One of the Best Located and Most Enticing Towns in the State.

A recent visit to the town of which this is but an inadequate sketch was, in a large measure, quite a revelation to the writer. Having only seen the town, or rather that part of it visible from the railroad in passing through, it had never appealed to us to be more than a small, quiet village—a place of a few dealers in general merchandise, blacksmith shops, and such other small industries as are necessities to places of its size; a place where everybody were neighbors—a town without much ambition and with little enterprise. It will take only a short visit to bring about a change of opinion of any one who has harbored similar ideas. For instance, our townsman, Judge Clement, was not long off the train before he exclaimed with delight, "Why, it's a town! Yes, it is a town!" So he, though one of the best lawyers in the State, was caught telling the truth. It is a town—a splendidly located town—both ambitious and enterprising; a place of many handsome residences, splendid schools and colleges, thriving industries and manufacturing enterprises, up-to-date stores and store buildings, and numbers of other modern conveniences and necessities.

We shall not attempt to say all that ought to be said in behalf of Hickory, its people, its business institutions, enterprises, etc., but will be content with a brief sketch at this time.

The town has just completed a first-class water works, built and maintained on the latest improved plans, which furnishes the town and citizens with an adequate supply of wholesome water for fighting fire and household purposes. She is now putting in a splendid sewer system, covering the greater part of the place. We understand this is to be followed by macadamized streets, and as the town is lighted by electricity, this is the finishing touch, making Hickory an up-to-date city in every respect.

Hickory's graded school building is a large, two-story brick structure, commodious and ample for present requirements. Its curriculum will compare favorably with any in the State. In the way of educational institutions, Claremont and Lenoir Colleges are located here. They are liberally patronized, and are doing a great work.

Most all Protestant denominations are represented here, and nothing more plainly exhibits the new life of the place than do the new church edifices, completed and in course of erection. It has only been a few years since the Methodists led the way by the erection of a large and handsome place of worship. This was followed by the Baptists, then the Lutherans, and now the Presbyterians are building. The material for the last is being supplied by the granite quarries of Rowan, and, of course, will give a good account of itself.

Hickory has two banks, seventy-five or a hundred mercantile establishments, an ice plant, several furniture factories, sash, door and blind factories, planing mills, lumber yards, good hotels, good doctors, plenty of cultured people, a fine climate, and many other things and features, giving the place an air of substantiality and comfort—a place pleasant to visit or to dwell in.

PIEDMONT WAGON WORKS.

On the western edge of the town, fronting on the Southern railway, is situated Hickory's most import-

LEWIS LYERLY BADLY CUT

All About a Dog That had a Special Tooth for Chicken.

It seems that for sometime past a bird dog belonging to J. M. Peck had been feasting on Lewis Lyerly's poultry. Mr. Peck, it is said threatened to kill Peck's dog if he did not stop killing his chickens. Some one told Peck of Lyerly's threat, and he and his two sons made a neighborly call on Lyerly on Sunday afternoon, and found him playing with his children. What passed between them before the three Pecks jumped on him, with knife and brass knucks, is a matter of conjecture as yet, as Lyerly is unable to testify and one sided testimony is, of course, valueless.

Mr. Lyerly received an ugly cut in the back, another in the side and two or more in other parts of the body, and was badly beaten with brass knucks about the head.

His condition at first was thought to be critical, but under the treatment of Dr. Brown he is getting along very well, and may soon be able to give his side of the matter.

The younger of the Peck boys, aged 11, was released from custody Monday afternoon.

Rowan's Road Supervisors.

The county commissioners, at their meeting last week, appointed the following road supervisors for the year ending July 31, 1906:

- Atwell Township, Sec. 1—A. L. Deal.
 - Atwell Township, Sec. 2—Geo. Houck.
 - Cleveland Township—Dr. W. F. Chenault.
 - China Grove Township—John L. Deal.
 - Franklin Township—W. B. Hartley.
 - Gold Hill Township—Z. A. Klutz.
 - Locke Township—L. E. Fisher.
 - Litaker Township—Eli D. A. Siffard.
 - Morgan Township—W. C. Lisk.
 - Mt. Ulla Township—Paul Barger.
 - Providence Township—Louis Kesler.
 - Steele Township—J. S. Hall.
 - Scotch Irish Township—James Foster.
 - Unity Township—Joe G. Lyerly.
 - Salisbury Township, Nos. 1, 2—Luther Lingle.
- The supervisor of the Salisbury townships was appointed overseer of all the roads under his jurisdiction.

and largest industry, the Piedmont Wagon Co.'s plant. Here is where nearly one thousand wagons are made and sold each month. This record is due solely to the quality of the product. Every part of these wagons is made of the best and most suitable material, and none but competent workmen are employed. The lumber is first cured under large sheds, then cut into shapes and left-dried for years before being used. These shapes are finally put together, painted and placed in the storage rooms. Here the wagons are gotten together and prepared for shipment.

Anyone visiting Hickory will find it worth while to go through this great establishment, see the acres of wheels and other parts of the wagons stored in these lofts and storage rooms, and note the harmonious and rapid manufacturing process.

We are indebted to our friend H. D. Abernathy and his good wife for many courtesies during our short stay in this goodly place.