

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

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THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

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[Special Star Correspondence.] RALEIGH, N. C., March 13.—Already steps are being taken for the erection of the Vance statue in Capitol Square, for which purpose the Legislature appropriated \$5,000. At a meeting of the executive committee of the Vance Monument Association, Mr. R. H. Battle, the president, and Mr. Joseph G. Brown, the treasurer, were appointed a committee to act with Mr. J. D. Busbee and Mr. S. L. Hart, the committee, to select the location for the monument. It is probable that the east entrance to the square will be chosen the Confederate monument being on the west and the Washington State on the south. The World Hagley monument will probably be at the north entrance. Artists are invited to submit plans and designs for the Vance statue.

Ton Jones, a white farmer, living near Cary, four miles from here, was killed Sunday morning by the 230 Southern vestibule train. The man was drunk and had sat down on the track near the penitentiary. The engineer saw him in time to reverse his engine and apply the brakes, but before the train could be stopped the pilot had struck the sleeping man, breaking his neck and crushing his chest. About two miles from this spot, a year ago, a passenger train killed Jones' little child who was playing on the track near his home one afternoon.

News and South Carolina R. R. A meeting of directors of the North and South Carolina Railroad was held today in Norfolk, to formulate plans for the immediate building of the road. It was incorporated, it will be remembered, by the recent Legislature, and is backed by the Plant system, the Atlantic and Danville Railroad and by English capitalists. It is to run from Virginia to Columbia, S. C.

The New England newspaper men are expected to arrive here to-morrow (Tuesday) morning. They will be the guests of the Chamber of Commerce and a banquet will be given them at the Yarrowburgh Wednesday. The Board of Aldermen has appointed a reception committee consisting of Messrs. C. C. McDonald, J. C. Drewry and W. W. Parrish.

Municipal Election. The city election here will be held May 3rd. Two months later an election will be held to vote on the issue of issuing \$100,000 of improvement bonds. At a similar election, a year ago, \$50,000 bonds were voted. Judge Thomas C. McDonald, of the United States Court of Private Land Claims, has gone to Red Springs to spend a few days.

Col. F. A. Olds has gone to Havana on a mission. Mr. J. G. Olds, the Atlanta Constitution's Washington correspondent, is here to write a series of stories for his paper concerning the constitutional amendment and other work of the recent Legislature.

[Special Star Telegram.] Col. Jno. S. Cunningham has decided to resign the presidency of the State Fair. Pressure of private business, and his election as chairman of the Board of Agriculture, is the cause. William B. Grimes, of this city, is prominently mentioned as his successor.

News comes from northeastern counties that smallpox is spreading in some sections quite rapidly. According to information that comes to the Board of Health, cases have developed in upwards of twenty counties. Tom Smith, negro, who killed a white man named Cavathorne, near Selma, Christmas, and came near killing another man named Winfree, was to day taken to Smithfield for trial. He was brought here to prevent lynching.

Contest in Pamlico. There is contest in Pamlico county over offices. Fusionists are holding them, but the Democratic candidates claim that a recount shows them elected. The Attorney General today granted them leave to bring suit for the offices. Similar leave is also granted C. C. Cherry, newly elected Keeper of the Capitol.

The Supreme Court will to-morrow consider a motion to advance the Penitentiary case to a hearing. Major Hobgood, of Oxford, new Inspector General of the State Guard, has received orders to inspect at his convenience companies of the State Guard, and divisions of the Naval Battalion.

Recruiting Officer. Charles B. Bynum, of Battery B, Third artillery, and Peter Stroud, of Battery B, Fourth artillery, have reported for duty to Major Davis, who has opened a recruiting office here. Recruits are taken for batteries of the First artillery located on the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts; also, for infantry and cavalry, white and colored, including white infantry to serve in the Philippines. All recruits will be sent to Columbus barracks, Ohio, after thorough vaccination.

King's Mountain Rifles, Company I, Second North Carolina regiment, are accepted in the State Guard; John White, captain; Chas. Russell, first lieutenant, and E. Lee Falls, second lieutenant.

The Democratic primaries for the city election will be held April 4th and the nominating convention April 6th. So far there are only two candidates for Mayor: A. M. Powell, the present incumbent, and Joseph E. Pogue.

A. and M. College Trustees. The trustees of the A. and M. College met today and organized by electing W. S. Primrose chairman of the board, and an executive committee composed of Messrs. Primrose, Lessor and Price. Another session will be held to-morrow. The Democratic members held a caucus to-night, and discussed the condition of the college, and decided to give out nothing on next Saturday at 10 A. M. hearing publication.

AN AND M. COLLEGE.

Important Changes to be Made in the Faculty by the Board of Trustees.

A NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS.

President Holliday to Resign and Prof. Emery and Butler Will be Displaced—Supreme Court Decisions—Other Raleigh News.

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Pursuant to instructions from the Board of Agriculture, Dr. Cooper Curdick, veterinary surgeon at the A. & M. College, has gone to the western part of the State to study the Texas fever, or tick, and to find means to prevent its spread among cattle. This is done with a view to having the quarantine removed in certain sections. Willkes, more than any other county, suffers from the contagion.

Mr. Solicitor J. F. Spaulding has announced his intention of abandoning his contest against Moses N. Harshaw, for the office of solicitor of the Tenth judicial district. For this he assigns the following reason: "I am told that I. T. Avery has been appointed by Judge Stevens solicitor for Burke—that W. C. Newland is to be appointed for Caldwell; and that J. F. Spaulding is to be appointed for Lambert for Mitchell, and G. E. Gardner for Yancey. This leaves a district composed of three counties—Ashe, Wake and Johnston. I am not a citizen. Since the Legislature has seen fit to take five counties, including my own, out of the district, and place other solicitors over them, I do not consider it proper for the little that is left. Mr. Harshaw can have it, undisturbed, at least until the Legislature convenes again."

The Public Printing. The Capital Printing Company (Barrett Bros.) has served notice on the Secretary of State that it intends to contest the validity of the contract for the public printing entered into between Edward C. Browning and B. F. Montague chairman. Mr. I. C. Blair was elected a teacher. He was displaced two years ago by the Fusion board. Archibald's plans for remodeling the roof of the building were accepted and bids for construction will be advertised for at an early date. The work will cost about \$10,000. The board will meet again on April 10th.

It is ascertained that a regular meeting of the Board of Agriculture, as now constituted, costs the State about \$500. Mr. J. Davis is here to argue some cases before the Supreme Court. Mrs. Thos. S. Kenan and Mrs. James McKee have gone to Florida on a pleasure trip.

Mr. H. Busbee left this morning for New York to receive the body of the late Lieut. Wm. E. Shipp, which arrived there to-day from Santiago on the transport McClelland. The funeral will take place at Lincolnton probably the last of this week.

A series of meetings is being conducted at Fayetteville Street Baptist Church by Rev. W. O. Tyree, of Durham. The trustees of the A. and M. College finished work and adjourned today. They decided to make no change in the faculty until the June meeting. There were a number of applications for places, all of which were referred to the executive committee to investigate and report in June. In all matters arising demanding attention between now and then the executive committee is given power to act.

It is learned that it was decided in caucus to make several changes in the faculty at the June meeting. President Holliday will, it is reported, resign, and Professors Emery and Butler will be displaced. Professors Massey, Riddick and Withers will be retained. The only change in the management of the college made at this meeting was to discontinue the two auditors, who have been receiving \$200 apiece a year for signing vouchers. Their duties will hereafter be performed by the chairman of the board without pay.

An effort will be made to establish a textile school in connection with the college. It was discussed, but no action was taken, as it is not certain the board will have the funds necessary to carry out the project.

Chamber of Commerce. To-night accepted a proposition of the Methodist Conference to furnish a site if the orphanage is located here. The Parker place, north of here, will probably be purchased for a building. A committee was appointed to raise the funds.

The Supreme Court. Supreme Court opinions were handed down as follows: McGee vs. Breedlove, from Granville, motion to dismiss plaintiff's appeal overruled 7-1. Yancey vs. Greensboro vs. Williams, from Guilford, reversed. Markham vs. McCown, from Durham, affirmed. Bank vs. Hunt, from Person, affirmed. Yancey, ex parte, from Wake, affirmed. State vs. Robinson, from Wake, affirmed. Perdue vs. Perdue, from Vance, affirmed. White vs. Boyd, from Halifax, new trial. Bragaw vs. Supreme Lodge, etc., from Desford, new trial.

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THE LABOR COMMISSIONER.

Hamrick Refuses to Surrender Office to B. R. Lacy—Contention in the Case—A Tangle Over New School Law.

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Mr. W. C. Newland, one of the executive board of the Penitentiary, tells me that the investigation now being made into the affairs of that institution will show its indebtedness to be not less than \$150,000. This is \$40,000 more than it had been supposed to be. "It is hard," continued Mr. Newland, "to conceive the affairs of an institution in a bigger tangle or worse condition. It seems as if every man connected with it, from bell-boy to superintendent, has been ordering goods and supplies for it."

The investigation will be completed in a few days and the result of it made public. It is known that in more than one case goods were ordered for individual use and charged to some department of the institution. Trustees of the Baptist Female University will meet here April 11th for the purpose of electing a president. The faculty will be chosen at a subsequent meeting. The school will open September 1st.

Several delegates from this city are attending the State Sunday School Convention, which met last night at Salisbury. It will continue in session until Thursday. Through the emigration craze has not struck this place, there is considerable talk among the negroes of going to Arkansas. They say that wages are higher there and that since the passage of the Constitutional Amendment there is no inducement for them to stay here. No one has gone yet, however.

Country people report large flocks of geese passing northward. This, they say, is a sure sign that winter is over. The Secretary of State incorporates the Mason Furniture Company of Salisbury, for the purpose of manufacturing and selling furniture; capital stock, \$5,000.

As soon as the new school law can be printed it will be distributed. It will make seventy pages. The printers are now at work on it.

A New Railroad. The Beaufort and Pamlico Railroad, chartered by the recent Legislature, is being rapidly built. About one mile of it is already completed. It will be twenty-eight miles long, starting at Beaufort, crossing the Durham creek in Beaufort county, and running to Wilkinson's Point, on Neuse river, in Pamlico county.

Through rapid getting out of hand, it will all have freight and passenger accommodations. The first woman in North Carolina to take advantage of the new bankruptcy law is Mrs. Jennie Fuqua, of Durham. She owned Roanoke (Va.) had assets other than her personal apparel.

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