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BLAZE IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Durham Narrowly Escapes a Conflagration.

FIREMEN'S HARD FIGHT

The Loss Between Fifteen and Twenty Thousand and Partially Covered by Insurance.

The Explosion of a Large Lamp Starts the Blaze

Durham, N. C., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning the First National Bank building, one of the finest business buildings in the center of the city, was visited by fire and the loss is between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars. The loss was covered by about two thirds insurance.

The fire originated in the central office of the Interstate Telephone company, caused by the explosion of a large oil lamp. In a few minutes the front part of the third floor was a roaring furnace. The firemen did all that could be done and confined the flames to that corner of the building. On the first and second floors there was great damage on account of water.

In the Interstate telephone office there was a young lady operator. From her it is learned that she lighted the large oil lamp in order to warm up the room. As soon as she lighted it there was an explosion and the room was filled with flames. She escaped to the hallway and gave an alarm of fire. Every room in the building was occupied at the time and several of the occupants escaped in scanty clothing. No one was seriously hurt.

The losses are as follows: First National bank, damage to building between \$5,000 and \$6,000, fully covered by insurance, there being \$17,500 insurance on the building; Interstate Telephone company, damage to property about \$6,000, with \$500 insurance; law office of Guthrie and Guthrie, damage about \$2,000, insurance \$2,500; Mrs. A. M. Smith, millinery stock, damage about \$1,500 with no insurance.

In addition to these losses there were small losses among other occupants of the building, most of them being covered by insurance. The damage in the bank room is confined to the furniture and is covered in the \$17,500 insurance on the building.

The fire was a stubborn one and in a dangerous locality. Had the building been consumed the Hotel Carolina would have burned and that portion of the city would no doubt have gone up in smoke and ashes. With bulldog determination the firemen went into the third floor of the building and for two hours held the flames in check, finally subduing them.

In the building were the law offices of Boone and Biggs; V. S. Bryant; dental office of Dr. William Lynch, and several other offices. Some ten or twelve of the rooms were occupied by roomers. Had the fire gone more rapidly than it did there would no doubt have been a loss of life.

The Interstate Telephone company was badly crippled. A large force of hands were put to work today and Manager Shaw says that he hopes to have the exchange in operation by Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. The loss in this office almost complete. The valuable switch board is entirely ruined and a man was sent out this morning to get another board, second handed or any kind for temporary use, and get back here with it as soon as possible. Information this evening is that the board will reach here tomorrow and it will be set up Saturday and Sunday.

The First National bank issued a statement this evening that the bank would resume business tomorrow morning at the usual hour. This being a holiday the bank was closed anyway and it did not lose a single day.

Central Carolina Fair.

(Special to News and Observer.)
Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Central Carolina Fair Association was held last night at the Greensboro National Bank Building. Two-thirds of the stock was represented, which was an unusually large meeting. Everything was harmonious and all were enthused with the success of the Fair last October and the prospects for the future. The secretary's report was gratifying, showing the October Fair to have been a great success financially and in every other way.

The election of officers for the coming year resulted in the re-election of President Cone, Treasurer Neil Ellington and Secretary John L. King. W. H. Osborn was re-elected first vice-president, J. Van Lindley second vice-president and W. H. Ragan third vice-president. The following board of directors was re-elected: W. C. Boren, F. N. Taylor, J. E. Tomlinson, W. C. Tucker, R. M. Reese, E. E. Bain, John W. Cook, W. E. Beville and S. L. Gilmer.

The president was authorized to appoint an executive committee of three. The directors were authorized to appoint a committee to look after such legislation as might be needed for the benefit of the association. The board of directors and secretary were authorized to make an effort to secure more land to enlarge the present grounds.

John L. King, secretary of the Central Carolina Fair Association, has paid to G. A. Grimsley, treasurer of the Guilford County Board of Public Schools, \$203.75, this being the amount due from educational day at the last fair, the agreement being that one-fourth of the gate receipts should go to this fund. Little, by little, it grows.

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FIRE AT NEW BERN GAS HOUSE.

Samuel L. Dill Thrown From His Buggy and Severely Injured

(Special to News and Observer.)
New Bern, N. C., Jan. 1.—Lieutenant C. D. Bradham, of the New Bern Division of Naval Reserves took the division outside of the city limits today and gave a target practice and a thorough trial of the division rapid fire guns, which proved very satisfactory to Lieutenant Bradham and the entire division.

Fire was discovered at noon today at the New Bern Gas Company plant. The fire originated from the gas generator. The fire department responded promptly and did valuable service. The damage is not yet known.

Mr. Samuel L. Dill, Jr., met with an accident this afternoon. While he was out driving his horse became frightened and ran away, throwing him from the buggy, inflicting severe injuries and completely demolishing his buggy. Medical aid was summoned and Mr. Dill is getting on as well as could be expected.

Big Tanning Extract Mill.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 1.—The village of Andrews, on the Southern Railroad on Valley river in Cherokee county, is to be the site of the Cherokee Tanning Extract Company. This plant will consist of four buildings 40x120 feet, two of which will be two stories high. Ten 125 horse power boilers will be required to bleach or boil the pulp out of which the extract will be made.

Chestnut and chestnut oak wood will be used, chiefly the former. To run the plant eight car loads of wood will be consumed every day.

When it is in full operation 60 hands will be employed, exclusive of the hands engaged in getting out and shipping the wood, which will employ at least 75 additional men and a large number of teams.

Work will begin at once on the buildings. About 30 substantial dwelling houses will soon be erected here to be occupied by the operators, of these extract works.

This enterprise is backed by men of ample means and some of them are experienced in this line. The officers are John D. Dickinson, of Charleston, W. Va., president; W. H. Woodbury, Murphy, vice-president; E. G. Hennemann, Andrews, secretary; J. Q. Barker, Andrews, treasurer and general manager; H. Stout, Charleston, W. Va., superintendent and architect.

Celebrate Emancipation Day.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Pittsboro, N. C., Jan. 1.—As is their annual custom the negroes celebrated the emancipation proclamation here today. The exercises consisted of marching through the principal streets, headed by a brass band. The exercises were concluded in the court house where they had speeches, recitations, etc. The crowd was well dressed and behaved themselves well with the exception of a few fools. No town can show a better colored population than Pittsboro. The relation between the two races around here is good.

Inventory is now being taken. Look at the item headed "Liquors." If whiskey has interfered with your business in 1902 your "Trial Balance" will show it. Do not fret about it, for it is now too late to fret. On the other hand put it beyond future probability by packing your grip and, placing your business in the safest hands you can find, spend the next four weeks in the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C. Your final statement for 1903 will show no whiskey. 12-28-1w.

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(Chatham Record.)
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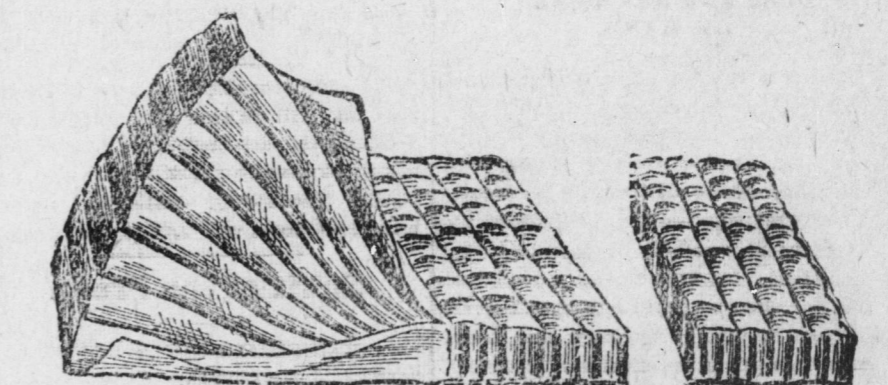
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