The Chatham Record

THURSDAY, MAY 27 1897.

H. A. LONDON, Editor.

Evasion of taxation is attempted by so many persons as to require a more rigorous method of listing taxables. Many men, who are considered good citizens and members of some church, seem to think there is nothing wrong in their trying to escape or evade taxation. Many men, who would promptly resent any imputation upon their honesty, do not hesitate to defraud the State and county when they are compelled to list their taxables. They resort to all kinds of tricks and subterfuges, and some commit downright perjury, in concealing or undervaluing the amount of their property liable to taxation. The value of so many men's property shrinks so alarmingly (like Vance's cattle) when it is being listed for taxation. If you doubt this, just notice next month when the list taker begins work!

As our readers are aware, every taxpayer in North Carolina must list his taxables in June, and must furnish the list taker with a sworn statement as to the value and description of all property owned by him on the first day of June. And it does seem that there is less property in North Carolina on the first of June than on any other day of the year. For instance many a man who usually has considerable money on hand or on "deposit" never lists a dollar of it for taxation. According to the State Auditor's Report for 1896 the sum of $1,135,761 was the total amount of "Money on hand or on deposit" that was listed for taxation in this State last year. And yet last week the banks in one town alone (Raleigh) had deposits to the amount of $1,[illegible] Yes, the banks at Raleigh, according to their official statements published last week, had more than a third as much money as had been listed for taxation by all the taxpayers of North Carolina!

Of course the evasion of taxation by dishonest men makes honest men pay more taxes than they otherwise would have to pay. A certain amount of taxes must be raised every year, and if some improperly evade their share it must be paid by others, just as when a team of horses is hauling a heavy load, if some of the horses fail to pull their share the others must pull it for them. All honest taxpayers are therefore interested in seeing that every taxpayer bears his proper share of the public burden of taxation and that none evade the law.

It is quite a coincidence that two of the ablest and most notable North Carolinians now living have the same Christian name—Walter Clark and Walter Page. And each of them has just delivered a "Commencement" address that is attracting much attention. Both of these addresses are decidedly out of the rut of the usual commencement address, and while eminently practical may yet be styled somewhat sensational. They are both very remarkable documents. Mr. Page's address was delivered week before last at the State's Normal College for girls at Greensboro, and was a strong plea for a higher tax for educating the "Forgotten Man". Judge Clark's address was delivered last Monday at Wake Forest College, and is a judicial argument for a reduction of railroad rates that is likely to attract more attention (both friendly and hostile) than any commencement address ever before delivered in our staid old State.

The Raleigh *Tribune* has suspended publication, after an existence of four months. It was established last January as the organ of the Republican party in this State, and was edited with ability both in its editorial and local columns. Its failure and brief career recall to mind the answer made by the Hon. William A. Smith (commonly called "Blow Your-Horn-Billy"), when he was solicited to take stock in a company for the publication of a Republican paper at Raleigh in 1872. Although a staunch Republican himself Mr. Smith declined to contribute anything for the proposed paper, and said there was no need of it because so few Republicans in North Carolina could read a paper!

The marriage of the principal and a lady assistant was an unusual incident of the closing exercises of Union High School, in Moore county, last week. It was one of the exercises not down on the programme, and was quite a surprise to the audience. Other schools may be expected not to be outdone and may follow their example.

An international game of chess will be played next Monday between five members of the House of Representatives at Washington and five members of the British House of Commons. The American players will play at Washington and the British players will play at London, and every move will be promptly telegraphed across the Atlantic ocean. One of the American players is the Hon. Richmond M. Pearson, of this State.

This seems somewhat like "Nero fiddling while Rome was burning". All over this broad land of ours the people are demanding relief and crying out for Congress to give that relief, and instead of at least trying to afford some relief here are a lot of Congressional dudes amusing themselves by playing an international game of chess!

Large Sales of Fertilizers.

Raleigh Correspondence [illegible]

The sales of commercial fertilizers in this State this season are [illegible]. There were printed 2,[illegible] tonnage tax tags, each for a 200 pound bag, and these cost 2½ cents each. [illegible]

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

Central Office, Raleigh, N. C.

The weather during the week ending Monday, May 24th, was very [illegible] [illegible] on 17th and 21st in many counties [illegible] The general crop prospects are fair. [illegible]

McKinley May Stop in Asheville

[illegible]

Washington, May 24.—President McKinley will in all probability take breakfast at Asheville [illegible] on his way to the Tennessee Centennial Exposition [illegible] 10th. Major H. P. M. Kissick, of the Battery Park, called at the White House today with Senator Pritchard and extended the invitation. The President replied that his return would be governed by the programme for him as arranged at the Nashville end, but he would be glad to stop at "North Carolina's famous resort if he could".

A Reckless Driver.

[illegible]

Greensboro, May 21.—Lorenzo Miller, colored, drayman for F. A. Matthews, of this city, while driving across the North Carolina Railroad track near the city limits, was struck by the Southern passenger train No. 5, at 6:30 this afternoon. Miller was badly hurt, his horse was instantly killed and his wagon torn to pieces. He was repeatedly warned by bystanders not to undertake to cross the track.

Whiskey's Fatal Work.

Special to the News and Observer.

Mt. Airy, N. C., May 24.—Charles Fry and Charles Atkins, white, both single and 20 years old, the first named a cigar maker, became involved in a difficulty over a pistol, both [illegible] yesterday evening about [illegible] two miles west of this city, which terminated fatally, Fry killing Atkins instantly, the ball entering the forehead. Fry was shot and killed by some one in the sheriff's posse while resisting arrest about 7:30 o'clock last night.

Famous Church Burned.

Savannah, Ga., May 23.—Christ Church, the oldest church in Georgia, was destroyed by fire early today.

The building contained all the records of Savannah and practically of Georgia since 1825, and most of these were burned. Christ Church parish was founded by the Rev. Henry Herbert soon after the settlement of Savannah. The first edifice was begun in 1743, but was not completed until 1750.

John Wesley, before he promulgated Methodism, was its third rector.

Engulfed in Quick Sand.

Fort Wayne, Ind., May 24.—Four workmen employed by the city were engulfed in quicksand today. Three of them were killed.

The men were digging a trench for water mains. When about six feet below the surface a vein of quick sand was broken all four were engulfed in a mass of sand rock. Sheehy was rescued, but will probably die.

A call has been issued by Mrs. Mary E. Cartland, president, for the 15th annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of North Carolina, at Henderson, June 11th to 14th.

The State Penitentiary.

Raleigh Correspondent of Charlotte Observer.

There is no problem in North Carolina greater than the penitentiary; that is its maintenance without cost to the State. The incubus is the central prison—with the life-time prisoners, the dregs of the State's criminal class, the aged prisoners, the sick and the incurables. [illegible] and of these only 60 can do heavy work.

The penitentiary maintains five farms [illegible] on the Roanoke, one in Anson and one at Castle Haynes. [illegible] The total is [illegible]. Of these [illegible] are women.

[illegible]

In former years the Legislature used to appropriate $125,000 annually for the penitentiary. During the past four years it cost the State only $71,139 for the entire period. This was the excess over earnings. Last year there was no expense. This year there is a contingent appropriation of $25,000, of which the new superintendent says not a dollar will be needed if there is no damaging freshet in the Roanoke. Last year a freshet swept away 1,000 acres of corn there. He says the best farm in the State is the "Caledonia", there, which is offered at $9 per acre for its 7,000 acres. The State has an option at that figure.

This year the new superintendent has sold $20,000 of last year's cotton crop. He expects to make 2,000,000 brick within the penitentiary.

There are many calls for convicts. In June they will build a ten mile extension of the Carthage Railroad. The Legislature gave 50, without expense, to the Marion and Asheville turnpike, but these will not be furnished unless they are paid for. Under the new law the convicts are available for road work to counties which pay for them, from the autumn until the following spring. Many will be thus used. It is a good law and will lighten the State's burden and give good roads.

Mr. Edward Fasnach, the well known Jeweller at Raleigh, died suddenly on last Sunday, aged 66 years.

High Point is becoming the centre of the furniture manufacturing interest in this State. It has now no less than twelve furniture factories, which ship six to eight carloads daily.

Nebraska is in rather hard luck. Her Legislature recently made an appropriation of $180,000 to cover a deficiency caused by theft. And now one of her officials has stolen the $180,000!

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, May 21st 1897.

Whether this is a government by, of, and for the people, or a government by, of, and for the sugar trust, is a question that [illegible]

[illegible]

Senator Tillman says he intends to see that there is an investigation of the new sugar trust scandal. He gives his reasons in the following language: "The Senate cannot afford to let this matter rest where it is. We cannot ignore the charges that have been made. [illegible]

No greater farce was ever enacted in Washington than the imprisonment of Chapman, the sugar broker, which was begun this week. He is supposed to be in prison as a punishment, but there is mighty little punishment about it. He has a costly fitted up bedroom and an office adjoining; his meals are prepared at a swell hotel, and he has a waiter from that hotel detailed to wait upon him. He receives callers and entertains them all the time, and can do about anything he could do in a hotel except to leave the jail. This is an outrageous farce, too, because it increases the belief, already too prevalent, that there is one justice for the wealthy and quite another for the poor.

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The number of persons employed at the granite quarries at Mt. Airy is 350.

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BOYS' CLOTHES.

[illegible] If you want to see a complete line for yourself [illegible] Cassimere, [illegible] will please you. [illegible] light and medium colors; attached or detached collars.

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Henderson,	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Weldon,	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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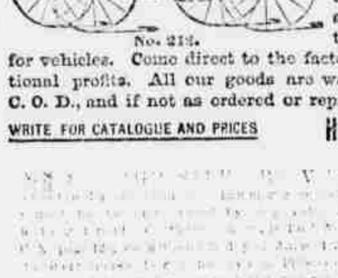

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IMPORTANT SALE—BY VIRTUE of a decree of the superior court of Chatham county [illegible] at public auction [illegible] Pittsboro, at 12 m. on [illegible] the [illegible] day of May, 1897, the lot of land and the building thereon at Mt. Vernon Springs and known as the Mt. VERNON SPRINGS [illegible] said lot containing about one quarter of an acre, beginning at a stake, the corner of the [illegible] running thence south with [illegible] forty yards to a stake, thence west forty yards to a stake, thence north forty yards to a stake, thence [illegible] forty yards to the beginning. [illegible] cash, and balance in six months with interest.

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Leave Wilmington	12 15 p.m
Arrive Fayetteville	3 35 "
Leave Fayetteville	3 45 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 47 "
Arrive Sanford	5 02 "
Leave Sanford	5 05 "
Leave Siler City	6 00 "
Leave Climax	6 51 "
Arrive Greensboro	7 25 "
Leave Greensboro	7 45 "
Leave Stokesdale	8 32 "
Leave Walnut Cove	9 03 "
Leave Rural Hall	9 30 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	11 00 "

South Bound	No. 1. Daily.
Leave Mt. Airy	5 25 a.m
Leave Rural Hall	6 50 "
Leave Walnut Cove	7 19 "
Leave Stokesdale	7 52 "
Arrive Greensboro	8 40 "
Leave Greensboro	9 00 "
Leave Siler City	10 20 "
Leave Climax	9 20 "
Leave Sanford	11 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville Junction	12 42 pm
Arrive Fayetteville	12 45 "
Leave Fayetteville	1 13 "
Arrive Wilmington	4 20 "

North Bound.	No 4. Daily.
Leave Bennettsville	7 45 a.m
Arrive Maxton	9 00 "
Leave Maxton	9 05 "
Leave Red Springs	9 37 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 26 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 50 "

South Bound.	No. 3. Daily.
Leave Fayetteville	4 45 p.m
Leave Hope Mills	5 03 "
Leave Red Springs	5 42 "
Arrive Maxton	6 11 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 20 "

North Bound.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Exc'p. Sunday
Leave Ramseur	7 40 a.m.
Leave Climax	9 38 "
Arrive Greensboro	10 20 "
Leave Greensboro	10 45 "
Leave Stokesdale	12 20 pm
Arrive Madison	1 10 "

South Bound.	No. 15. Mixed. Daily Exc'pt Sunday.
Leave Madison	2 10 p.m.
Leave Stokesdale	3 05 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 30 "
Leave Greensboro	5 49 "
Leave Climax	6 37 "
Arrive Ramseur	8 55 "

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