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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24.

Democratic State Ticket.

For Chief Justice of the Supreme Court—**WALTER CLARK**, of Wake.
 For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court from the East—**HENRY GROVES**, of Wayne.
 For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court from the West—**P. A. T. D. WALKER**, of Mecklenburg.
 For Superintendent of Public Instruction—**JAMES Y. JOYNER**, of Guilford.
 For Corporation Commissioners—**EUGENE G. BEDDINGFIELD**, of Wake.
 For Congress, Fifth District—**WILLIAM W. KITCHIN**, of Person.
 For Solicitor, Ninth District—**AUBREY L. BROOKS**, of Guilford.
 Legislative Ticket.
 For State Senate—**W. N. Pritchard**, of Orange; **R. L. Walker**, of Caswell.
 For House of Representatives—**Jones Fuller**, of Durham.
 County Ticket.
 For Sheriff—**Felix D. Markham**.
 For Clerk Superior Court—**Caleb B. Green**.
 For Treasurer—**Paul H. Linsford**.
 For Register of Deeds—**John E. Sutt**.
 For Coroner—**J. Frank Madry**.
 For Surveyor—**R. G. Belvin**.
 For County Commissioners—**John W. Pope**, **O. K. Proctor**, **Z. T. Hampton**, **Thomas Lipscombe**, **John W. Allee**.
 For Constable, Durham Township—**Ed. T. Lea**.

TO THE VOTERS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE COUNTY OF DURHAM.

Recognizing the principle that those who hold public office are the servants of the people and that the tax payers of the county have a right to know how the money paid by them for taxes is expended, and in view of the charges made against the Democratic party for its administration of the county affairs, I beg to submit, as one of the stewards of the people, an account of my stewardship.

I state that the financial condition of the county is better than it ever has been. I state that more is being done for the permanent improvement of the county than has ever been done. I state that the charitable institutions of the county are in better condition than they ever have been. I state that the taxes paid by the people of the county are more economically expended than they ever have been. In support of these statements, I submit the following facts:

By the disastrous freshets of 1901 twelve or thirteen bridges in the county were carried away. All these bridges have been rebuilt and rebuilt by the convict force of the county under the superintendence and management of the best bridge builder we could find. The material used in these bridges was bought as cheap as any individual could buy it and by this system of rebuilding the bridges, several thousand dollars were saved to the tax payers of the county, and we have now new bridges and the best constructed bridges we have ever had in the county, and all paid for.

In the matter of public road building. We are macadamizing a mile of road per month and in the past twelve months we have macadamized nearly ten miles of public road, not being able to work in the winter months full time. This has been done by the convict force of the county. The convict force are now at work on and will complete within two weeks the macadamizing of the road leading South from the city of Durham as far as the road is graded and we will then have macadamized near two and a half miles of that road. We have nearly completed the grading of the public road leading North to Cox and Christian's mill and we have macadamized more than a mile of that road. You will understand that the convict force varies and is irregular in number and we cannot push this work as fast as we desire to do.

We are paying 40 cent per ton for rock delivered on the yard to be crushed, costing \$638 per mile or \$3.63 per running yard or \$1.09 per square yard. This rock is purchased from the farmers who live within reach of the public road being macadamized and the money is paid direct to them. We have bought, paid for, crushed and laid 2,500 tons of rock for use on the public road South from the city of Durham, and we now have bought and paid for on the road leading North to Eno River 3,500 tons of rock. We have graded and completed the road leading from the corporate limits from the city of Durham through East Durham east to near the Wake county line, about 6 1/2 miles. We have completed and macadamized the road leading west through West Durham and running nearly to the Orange county line. We have done this without increasing the taxes.

In regard to the care of the convicts. We are now paying 38 cents per yard for the material out of which the clothes for the convicts are made, because we buy direct from the manufacturer. The price the county formerly paid for this material was 62 cents and this was bought from an agent, therefore, we save to the tax payer 34 cent per yard in the purchase of this material.

In regard to the county home. We beg to call the attention of the tax payer to the report of the grand jury at the August term of the court which report was made after a careful and full examination and investigation by the members of the grand jury. The report is as follows: "We find the home in good condition and the inmates express themselves as well cared for. We find the cattle and stock in good order and the crops are well cultivated and as good as the season would permit." No labor is hired at the county home or work house. The work on the farm, washing, patching for the road force and the inmates of the home, scouring, cleaning and cooking for the inmates of the county home and work house is done by the women sent out from the Superior Court, from the courts of the justice of the peace and the mayor, assisted by some of the boy convicts and the sickly men not able to work on the roads. Formerly the county hired hands for a part of this work, but we have discontinued this and the crops are made and the work done by the convicts. At the request of the ministers of the gospel we have built at the county home a little chapel to provide a place for the inmates of the county home to worship God in. We have invited and do invite the tax payers of the county of Durham to visit the county home and convict camp and every public institution of the county and observe for themselves the management and work done at these several places.

We have endeavored in every way possible to administer the affairs of the county with economy and to expend the money of the county paid by the tax payers as we would our own money. We have carefully scrutinized all expenses. We have endeavored to buy for the county the best at the lowest prices.

Accounts presented to the Board of Commissioners for payment we require to be in the same shape as every business man requires accounts presented to him for payment shall be. This method of transacting business has created some dissatisfaction, but it is the method used by every business man in his own affairs and we cannot see why in administering the county affairs we should not adopt the method used and approved by every business man in the management of his individual affairs. We have endeavored to supervise all accounts presented to us, as we are required to do by the law, and to pay only those accounts which are presented in proper form and for which the county has received value either in material or in work.

The taxable property for the county for the tax year 1902 is as follows:
 Durham Township, real and personal property.....\$10,804,383
 All other Townships..... 833,800

Total real and personal property, Durham County.....\$11,638,183

For 1901, total valuation.....\$ 9,601,599

Increase over 1901.....\$ 2,036,584

Durham Township pays taxes.....\$ 84,328.00
 Other Townships pay... 8,930.92
 Corporations pay..... 3,950.05
 Taxes on bank stock, non-residents..... 359.02

Total to be collected by the Sheriff.....\$107,599.00
 Collected by the Sheriff for 1901..... 90,435.32

Increase of.....\$ 17,123.68

The taxes for the county for the year 1902 is divided as follows:
 For all county purposes \$ 28,369.00
 For schools..... 22,874.71
 For public roads, special..... 19,695.02
 Interest on Railroad bonds..... 5,076.99
 Taxable polls listed for the year 1902..... 4,013.00

He Kept His Leg.
 Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan, of Hartford, Conn., scratched his leg with a rusty wire. Inflammation and blood poisoning set in. For two years he suffered intensely. Then the best doctors urged amputation, "but," he writes, "I used one bottle of Electric Bitters and 14 boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and my leg was sound and well as ever." For Eruptions, Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Sores and all blood disorders Electric Bitters has no rival on earth. Try them. B. Blacknall & Son will guarantee satisfaction or refund money. Only 50 cents.

Number of acres of land in Durham County, 132,893.
 Tax value..... 1,712,898
 Town lots, 2,042.
 Value..... 3,192,335
 We point with pride to the rapid building of macadam roads, and to the public schools of the county which furnish to the children of the county education and which give them on an average eight months of school in the year. If there is any county in the State that can show a better record than the county of Durham, we have not been able to find it, nor do the published records of the State officers show such county.

The Independent speakers and candidates charge that the Democratic Board of Commissioners have been paid more for their services rendered in the management of the county affairs than was paid previous boards of commissioners. On examination of the amounts received year by year by the several boards of commissioners show an increase in the amount paid as compensation to the members of the board of commissioners. The law fixes the compensation per diem at \$2.00. The Democratic board of commissioners have charged no more than this amount for their services, but the amount of work that they have done and the amount of work which the law has required them to do has been greatly in excess of the amount of work done by the former board of commissioners.

When the macadamizing of the public roads began in the county of Durham the work was under the supervision of the justices of the peace of the respective townships and the only work done then was in Durham township and was under the supervision of the justices of the peace of that township. Since that time the law has been changed and the building of the public roads has been put upon the board of county commissioners. The board of county commissioners have, in addition to this, in order to save money to the tax payers of the county, built all bridges with the convict forces. This has, of course, imposed more work on the board of commissioners as they had to buy the material and supervise the construction of the bridges. The board of county commissioners is also held responsible for the condition of the county home, work house and convict camp and they have to look after these three institutions. The present board has made it a rule to visit the county home, work house, and convict camp at least once a month and have endeavored to carefully examine the condition of these institutions to make any and all needed improvements in them.

In addition to this work, since the present board of commissioners have been in office, we had almost an epidemic of small pox in the county. This, of course, imposed upon the county commissioners additional work and additional responsibility, and during this threatened epidemic, the sanitary board recommended, advised and insisted upon compulsory vaccination throughout the county of Durham. The board of county commissioners did not think this wise or necessary and to determine this matter, required of the board much time, labor and investigation. After such investigation the board refused to order compulsory vaccination because it was unwilling, except in cases of absolute and apparent necessity, to impose compulsory vaccination upon the people of Durham county with its attendant cost and suffering.

In addition to the labors above referred to, the board has given much time to the looking up of property for taxation that was not placed upon the tax books of the county and had not paid its part of the burden of taxation. The result

Do Good—It Pays.
 "A Chicago man has observed that 'Good deeds are better than real estate deeds—some of the latter are worthless. Act kindly and gently, show sympathy and lend a helping hand. You cannot possibly lose by it.' Most men appreciate a kind word and encouragement more than substantial help. There are persons in this community who might truthfully say: 'My good friend, cheer up. A few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will rid you of your cold, and there is no danger whatever from pneumonia when you use that medicine. It always cures. I know it for it has helped me out many a time.' Sold by W. M. Yearby's drug store.

"She said she'd never marry a man who couldn't make both ends meet." "Well, did she get one who could?" "Certainly; she married a contortionist."

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 "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Hackney Bros., Druggists, Durham.

RHEUMATISM

Tortures, Cripples and Deforms.

Rheumatism does not treat all alike. Some suffer torture from the very beginning, the attack being so sudden, sharp and disastrous that they are made helpless cripples in a few days, while others feel only occasional twitches of pain in the knees, ankles, elbows and wrists, or the muscles of the legs, arms, back or neck; but this treacherous disease is only traveling by slower stages. The acid poisons are all the while accumulating in the blood, and muscles and joints are filling with corroding acid matter, and when the disease tightens its grip and strikes with full force, no constitution is strong enough to withstand its fearful blows, and its victims are crippled and deformed, or literally worn out by constant pain. Rheumatism is caused by Uric Acid or some other irritating poison in the blood, and this is the cause of every variety and form of this dread disease. External remedies do not reach the blood, consequently do no lasting good. S. S. S. goes directly into the circulation and attacks the disease itself. The acid poisons that cause the inflammation, soreness and swelling are neutralized and the blood purified and cleansed of all irritating matter, and nothing is left in the circulation to produce other attacks. S. S. S. being a vegetable remedy does not impair the digestion or general health like alkaline and potash remedies, but builds up and invigorates the entire system, and at the same time makes a thorough and permanent cure of Rheumatism.

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of this particular labor was to put upon the tax books one half million dollars of property that was not upon the tax books and they, in addition, put upon the tax books \$100,000 of bank stock that had not paid taxes to the county.

It has also been charged, that a statement required by law to be published of the county receipts and expenses has not been published. This is untrue. The statement required by law, itemized showing the receipts and disbursements have been posted at the court house door of the county of Durham each month as required by law for thirty days, an itemized annual statement is now in the Treasurer's office and can be examined by and one wishing to do so. A condensed statement of amounts of money expended for different purposes was published in our papers.

JOHN W. ALLEN,
 Ch'm Board Commissioners.

Jellico coal advances \$1 a ton at the mines, and the operators decline all orders for future delivery on account of the orders already on hand which cannot be filled at present.

Ran a Ten Penny Nail Through His Hand.

While opening a box, J. C. Mount, of Three Mile Bay, N. Y., ran a ten penny nail through the fleshy part of his hand. "I thought at once of all the pain and soreness this would cause me," he says, "and immediately applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm and occasionally afterwards. To my surprise it removed all pain and soreness and the injured parts were soon healed." For sale at W. M. Yearby's drug store.

Mob of negroes apply the lash to the naked back of one of their race at Anderson, S. C., for attempted assault on a colored girl.

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 Jan 5-6m

Many Reasons

WHY DURHAM IS THE CITY TO LIVE IN AND DO BUSINESS IN.

Concise and forcible Arguments in the Shape of Facts Which Must Be Conceded.

DURHAM HAS—

- A beautiful park.
- Four cigar factories.
- A paper box factory.
- A well filled Public Library.
- A population of some 18,000.
- Churches of all denominations.
- All of the leading secret societies.
- Beautiful homes and comfortable dwellings.
- Eight miles of electric car lines, with extension soon.
- Two daily papers—evening and morning; and three weeklies.
- One of the largest tobacco manufacturing plants in the world.
- Five cotton mills—one large hosiery mills and a bag factory.
- Four railroads centering here, and eighteen passenger trains arriving here and departing daily.
- A splendid system of water works, electric lights, electric cars, gas and sewerage now under construction.
- Trinity College, Southern Conservatory of Music, and a high grade preparatory school and six

- city graded schools.
- Real and personal property assessed for 1902 at more than \$9,500,000.
- Durham has macadamized streets and vitrified brick sidewalks and macadamized roads lead into the city from all parts of the county.
- Two first-class Hospitals—one for whites and one for colored.
- Durham will soon have a magnificent municipal building—now under construction—and a creditable government building.
- An active Chamber of Commerce and a Business Men's Association.
- Two telephone systems, and two telegraph lines.
- Large dry goods houses, and four wholesale firms.
- A splendid hotel, and many well-kept public and private boarding houses.
- A tobacco market second to none in the State for prices.
- A large flouring and grist mill.
- A death rate lower than any other city its size.
- A foundry, two carriage and buggy works.
- A Snuff Factory, a Pants Factory, a Furniture Factory, a Mattress Factory, and other important industries.
- Two military companies, a city armory, three fire companies, and two fire houses.
- Industries that employ more than five thousand operatives and pay weekly wages in cash aggregating more than \$25,000.00.

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