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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

Public School Opens.

Asheboro's public school opened last Thursday, all the teachers being present except Miss Corothers, who was detained at home till Saturday. The term opens auspiciously for a successful year.

The enrollment has already reached 330, being above the average for previous years.

The school now has ten grades with a faculty of nine teachers. Those who complete the tenth grade are admitted to the highest colleges in the state without examination.

Many of the rooms this year are crowded beyond their capacity, showing that the teaching force will soon have to be increased. Several boarding students have been enrolled this term in the higher grades.

The General Effect of Sanitary Progress On The Attitude of The Individual.

The foregoing examples of actual disease prevention, with still a large number of unced examples, do not leave the question of disease prevention to opinion, however eminent, multiplied and numerous opinions on this point may be; nor is the question dependent for solution upon scientific reasoning, however clear and strong such reasoning may be. This basic principle of all public health endeavor, disease preventability, rests upon what has actually been accomplished.

Now, it follows that if disease and death are preventable, those having power to prevent them are responsible for loss of life if this power is not used. Preventable disease is subject to public control, and preventable death is, therefore public crime.

And here, my hasty reader, pause a moment and consider the relation of the individual and the public. In 1873 William Budd, writing on typhoid fever (it could have been any other infectious disease), said: "And let no one suppose that this is a matter in which he has no personal interest. The duty itself we may evade, but we can never be sure of evading the penalties of its neglect. This disease not seldom attacks the rich, but it thrives among the poor. But by reason of our common humanity we are all, whether rich or poor, more nearly related here than we are apt to think. The members of the great human family are, in fact, bound together by a thousand secret ties of whose existence the world in general little dreams; and he that was never yet connected with his poorer neighbor by deeds, of charity or love, may one day find, when it is too late, that he is connected with him by a bond which may bring them both, at once, to a common grave."

There is no individual with enlightened public spirit who can disregard this most fundamental of all problems before us—the health problem.

ATLANTIC COAST INVENTORS.

The following patents were issued this week to Atlantic Coast inventors reported by D. SWIFT & CO., Patent Lawyers, Washington, D. C. who will furnish any of our readers with copies of the same for ten cents each.

Va. Edward Walton, Richmond, Salt weaving machine; E. B. Meredith Forest Depot, Portable combination hammock and tent;

N. C. G. W. Pritchett, Greensboro, Tamping mechanism.

BUTLERMANIA.

Democratic Campaign Methods—The County Ticket—Republican Success Assured.

By A. Newman.

In the last issue of the Courier, or better known as the Court House "orgin" the Editor of that sheet had a serious attack of Butlermania. There was a spasm for every day in the week Sunday included. The Republicans are giving Democratic hopes the night mare and they are trying to discredit the party by claiming that it is dominated by Marion Butler, but anyone with one eye and half sense knows that such is not the case. The "ringmaster" would do considerable more good for his party if he would hunt up some candidates to run on the legislative ticket and stop raising the false cry of Butler domination. The time has come for the intelligent voter to decide for himself and the old Democratic method of slander and mud slinging is losing ground. Anyone who will give the present Democratic ticket any thought will notice that it is composed of the Court House "ring" who take their turn in office in rotation. The present Clerk of the court has already held two terms (8 years) and is now nominated for a third term.

Take the Sheriff, Register of Deeds, County Commissioners, or members of the General Assembly, and go back and see who has held these offices for the past eight or ten years and you will see that it has been practically the same set of men who take their turn in rotation. Take Hammond, Redding, Foushee, and Hammer, and see how long they have been living on the fat of the tax payers of Randolph County. Is it possible that they are the only ones in the Democratic party who are capable of filling the offices?

There is at least one fact that is plainly evident, and that is that the Democratic party of the County is controlled completely by the "ringmaster" and his clique. There is an element in the Democratic party that is growing tired of the methods used by some of the leaders and they are not going to put up with the way the lash of the "ringmaster's" whip is cracking much longer. But back to the subject. The Republican party is not, has not, will not be dominated by any one man. That is not a Republican principle, but it is the foundation on which the Democratic party in Randolph County stands today. The Democrats are facing defeat. The tyrannical Hamonis bound to fall; fall into the very pit that he has dug for others, and it will mean a brighter day for Randolph county when the fall comes. Onward ye tardy sons of Republicanism! March to the tune of progress and prosperity and help to roll up so large a majority that the Democratic party will be buried so deep that even the name will be forgotten.

It Saved His Leg.

"All thought I'd lose my leg," writes J. A. Swensen, of Watertown, Wis. "Ten years of eczema, that 15 doctors could not cure, had at last laid me up. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured it, sound and well." infallible for Skin Eruptions, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Boils, Fever Sores, Burns, Scalds, Cuts and Piles, 25c at J. T. Underwood's next door to Bank of Randolph.

"To make an absolutely full detailed report of the finances of the county, since the time of the last report of a finance committee, would require the undivided time and services of an expert accountant for weeks."

—From Finance Committee's report, Dec. 6, 1909.

Since preparing the above for publication, the Bulletin has received a statement just four feet long of the financial conditions of the County, for the last ten years represented to be extracts from the minute book of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners at their meeting held here Monday September 5th, 1910.

It appears that instead of employing an expert accountant, to audit the books of the County and let the people know how their money is being spent, they have employed AN EXPERT JUGGLER OF FIGURES, who has gotten together a statement that will now require the services of an expert accountant to explain it. The figures contained therein would make an adding machine dizzy and compared with it a Chinese puzzle looks simple.

It is noted that in making up this statement that the Court House Ring has taken credit for every school house and every bridge in the county when it is a well known fact that they have built only a small number of them within the period supposed to be covered by said report.

It is also noted that they take credit in this statement for taxes of 1910, before the tax books were in the hands of the sheriff and while much of the taxes of 1909 are yet uncollected.

For lack of space we cannot publish this "white-washed" statement in this issue but will spread it before the public in due time.

MOST PROSPEROUS OF YEARS.

Conditions so favorable as to stand absolutely alone in the world's history of agriculture are pictured in the report of Secretary James S. Wilson to the President, covering the work of the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year of 1909, ended July, 1910.

It is the 13th annual report of the veteran secretary and appears in the forthcoming year-book of the department. "Most prosperous of all the years," says Secretary Wilson, "is the place to which 1909 is entitled in agriculture. The yields have been bountiful with most crops, and prices have been high. Advantageously situated as he is in most respects, the farmer is less and less generally compelled to dump his crops on the market at the time of harvest. He does not need to work for his board and clothes, as he often did in the former times when prices were so low as to be unprofitable."

"The value of farm products is so incomprehensibly large that it has become merely a row of figures. For this year it is \$8,760,000,000; the gain this year over the preceding one is \$869,000,000.

"Ten years ago the value of the products of the farm was only five and one half times the mere gain of this year over 1908; it was little more than 1/2 of the total value of this year. The value of the products has nearly doubled in ten years.

Eleven years of agriculture, beginning with a production of \$4,470,000,000, and ending with \$8,760,000,000, a sum of \$70,000,000,000 for the period. That sum has paid off mortgages, it has established banks, it has made better homes, it has helped to make the farmer a citizen of the world, it has provided him

TO ALL TEACHERS AND COMMITTEEMEN.

I would be glad if every teacher who has a school would let me know of it at once and what school she has taken. Every teacher who has not been employed yet should let me have his or her name and address that I may be of service in helping get schools for every teacher and teachers for every school. I would also be glad if every secretary or some one of the district board would drop me a postal informing me whether he has a teacher or not and who that teacher is. This information is absolutely necessary that I may keep in touch with each and every teacher.

I have two young men that I can highly recommend who wishes to teach in this county. These are forty dollar men and will accept schools for a term of five and one half months or longer.

Very truly yours,
S. T. Lassiter,
Co. Sup't of Schools.

with means for improving his soil and making it more productive.

The most striking fact in the world's agriculture is the value of the corn crop of 1909 in this country. It is about \$1,720,000,000. This corn came up from the soil and out of the air in 120 days—\$14,000,000 a day from one crop, nearly enough for two dreadnaughts daily for peace or war."

Cotton is now by far the second crop in value, says Wilson, and the years production is worth about \$850,000,000 to the farmer. Third in order of value is wheat, worth about \$725,000,000 at the farm, and this exceeds all previous values by a large amount. Hay is fourth estimated at \$665,000,000. Oats is fifth, worth at the farm about \$400,000,000.—Ex.

Water Works For Asheboro.

Water works in Asheboro is no longer a dream but will be an assured fact within a few months. The city council has closed a contract with the J. B. McCrary Co. of Atlanta, Ga. for a complete system of water works, the construction of which begins to day and must be completed within 120 working days. The system will comprise seven miles of sewer pipe and three miles of water mains. The water will be supplied from a deep well located near the new Baptist church. The reservoir will have a capacity of 125,000 gallons and the tank erected on a high steel tower will hold 75,000 gallons. The pump used will be able to throw 750,000 gallons every 24 hours. Four car loads of material has been received and preliminary work commenced Monday. Mr. H. Freeman, the superintendent is here and will push the work as rapidly as possible.

ELECTION ABUSES.

The election bill which was introduced by Mr. Cowles in congress, tending to regulate the abuses often practised at elections in this State, needs no defense at our hands, nor at the hands of anyone else, for that matter. Others, more competent and, perhaps, less partisan than we, have passed upon it and declared that they find no fault in it. While on the other hand, all fair minded people have commended it and declare that its provisions are not only fair in the extreme, but that they are needed to forever prevent a repetition of the abuses which have crept into our elections under the loose and irresponsible system, which has been thrust upon us by the dominant power in this State. Not so much has been said of late concerning election frauds, for the Republicans, learning a few very dear lessons, upon the value of eternal vigilance, wherein, we are told, is the price of liberty, have reduced the frauds to the least possible number; though they still creep in where for a moment the gap is left down. Then again North Carolina is certainly and surely coming to the point where it will free itself from Democratic misrule and the Republicans will heap coals of fire on the heads of those responsible for the present system, by passing an election law that is fair and equitable, which will insure "a free ballot and a fair count." What, indeed, ought to be done, is to give them a few of the bitter and distasteful doses that we have been made to swallow; but that is a punishment too severe. The mere fact that certain of the opposition squirm and twist at the thought of Mr. Cowles' bill becoming a law, shows that its provisions must be fair and equitable. We do not know who, in the absence of the editor, is responsible for the attempted tirade in this week's Wilkesboro Chronicle, but it demonstrates again that it is the hit dog which yelps.—Wilkes Patriot.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

All the adopted School Books are on sale at J. T. Underwood's REXALL Store—For CASH only. Remember this—none charged of anyone.

North Carolina Leaders In Public Education Meet at Chapel Hill.

At Chapel Hill last week the Superintendents of Public schools for the various counties of the State met in regular annual session. Nearly every county was represented. Dr. F. P. Venable, President of the University, welcomed the body of educators and spoke briefly of the responsibility and importance of each County Superintendent of Schools.

The meeting then proceeded with the programme, which was a most interesting one. Some of the topics discussed were: Health and Sanitation, Instruction in Agriculture, Public High Schools, Uniform Examination for Teachers, Teacher Training, Elementary Schools, and Work of the County Superintendent

The session at which Health and Sanitation were discussed was exceedingly interesting. Dr. W. S. Rankin, Secretary of the North Carolina Board of Health, discussed Health and Sanitation. Dr. Jno. A. Ferrell, representing the Hookworm Commission of the North Carolina Board of Health, spoke briefly of investigations which show the widespread prevalence of hookworm disease in North Carolina. He explained that in theory the eradication of the disease was easy, but in practice a great problem, the solution of which depended upon educational work. Many questions were asked and requests made that cases be described as they usually are before and after treatment. Prof. Highsmith, of Wake Forest College, cited two or three interesting cases he had seen. Then Superintendent Thompson, of Onslow County, spoke of the wonderful improvements which had resulted among hookworm victims in his county since hundreds of people had been cured of the disease. He named and described several cases which had come under his observation, and the results effected by the cure of the disease were wonderful. Concluding his remarks, he introduced the following resolution:

Whereas we, the members of the Association of County Superintendents of Schools of North Carolina, are convinced of the widespread prevalence of hookworm disease in the State, and that the disease occasions inestimable loss to the State in lives, vitality, citizenship and material wealth; and whereas the disease is both preventable and curable.

Be it resolved, that the Association hereby pledges its cooperation in all well organized movements for the eradication of the disease; and further realizing that such a movement has already been inaugurated, we recommend that the State take such steps as may be found necessary to aid in accomplishing the desired end.

Instead of referring the resolution to the Committee on rules, the rules were suspended and the resolution voted on and adopted without a dissenting vote.

The meeting adjourned Friday after a most successful and pleasant meeting.

Why Willie Quit.

J. Iner (to his apprentice)—"Well, Willie, have you sharpened all tools?"

Willie—"Yes—all but the 'and saw, and I haven't quite got all the gaps out of it."—Sketch.