

COUNTY'S FINANCES

Hayes And The Statement of Randolph's Affairs

The WEBSTERIAN, "CALHUNIAN" intellect of Hayes, publisher of the "BULLIKEN" has palpitated, expanded and contracted, swirled and churned in chaotic maelstrom over the Financial Statement "ill it has resolved itself into fluid state, the potency of which, in brain value, equals a like quantity of Sulphurated Hydrogen, or just H2O, the latter preferable.

In justification of this conclusion, the reader is referred to the editorial of that HIGH BROW, in his paper of last week, a part of which follows: He says:

"The PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER, if he cares to waste time on it, (the Statement) will find many features that will AMUSE him, as examples: "BILLS PAYABLE" under "DISBURSEMENTS," taking credit as cash the taxes of 1910 before a dollar of said taxes were collected, taking credit for Bridges and School Houses built and paid for from ten to fifty years ago, and many that were built in the last ten years and donated to the County in whole or in part by private subscription. Then again they attempt to bring in School property in Asheboro, Randleman, etc., but failed to state that the most of this School property is covered by bonded debt.

The PUBLIC will be curious to know how \$7,491.02 was spent on the convict force from Jan. 1910 to Sept. 1910, when the Convict system was abolished on March 1st.

The reader should study Exhibit D."

It is the correct thing to feel sympathy for human infirmity, but it is intensely interesting to contemplate the "amusement" glowing on the broad brow of that hydrocephalus victim, also "Practical Book-keeper," while formulating the foregoing quotation.

This writer would, with much timidity, enter the lists to break a lance with Hayes, but for the knowledge that his cephalic attribute is unstable, uncertain, liable at any moment to fly into some one of its usual vagaries, thus bringing his mental balance down to a more equal level with this scribe's, and the two schools of Book-keeping, hereinafter mentioned must, during the fray, "dust" for themselves.

ITEM I. Hayes' knowledge, as a "PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER" has, plainly, been acquired in managing business and affairs whose plethoric Bank Accounts made useless, unnecessary, that undesirable "BILLS PAYABLE ACCOUNT," a thing vitally useful, oft times obligatory, to the poor cuss less fortunate than the editor, publisher, owner (?) and manager of the "BULLIKEN," perhaps cloistered to other colossal businesses of equal magnitude, each run in keeping with the aforeaid money advantages, where each transaction is confined strictly to Cash, Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, Cash Assets, where Hayes was graduated into a "PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER," minus all knowledge of "BILLS PAYABLE."

ITEM II. In another School of book-keeping, in contrast with the one cited in Item I, the poor devil who has to borrow money is taught to open an account known as "BILLS PAYABLE," wherein is recorded the note, or note, he has to give in exchange for money loans. "BILLS PAYABLE," account is CREDITED with every note given, and when the time arrives that matures a note, and it is paid, then it is DEBITED in "BILL PAYABLE" account.

ITEM III. This is an aside, intended especially for Hayes, that he may gain some knowledge of commercial and ordinary, usual book-keeping terms, not having needed them in his School of experience. It is necessary to explain to you that the term CREDITED, used above, indicates to the book owner a Liability; while the term DEBITED, means a charge, a payment, a DISBURSEMENT. You will, possibly, glean from this that a DEBIT of "BILLS PAYABLE" account means the lifting of a Liability, and is, therefore, necessarily, a DISBURSEMENT.

Hoch der U. S. H!

ITEM IV. Referring to the "AMUSEMENT" of Hayes, the "PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER" grinning over the statement "taking

credit for taxes of 1910 before a dollar of same has been collected" it may be said that the most usual manner of the man of ordinary means in casting up his affairs, to determine his resources, regards every sound account, when due, a live, cash asset.

There is an old adage which says: "there's nothing SURE but death and taxes," and as the taxes of 1910 will come in, AS SURE AS DEATH, they might REASONABLY be regarded as a Cash Asset.

The reader is cautioned to guard against thinking Hayes' "amusement" proceeds from dense stupidity, gross ignorance, for his Book-Keeping School, and his experience, have failed to reveal this mystery to him. Vive la U. S. H!

ITEM V. The "AMUSEMENT" of Hayes, the "PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER" at the Statements containing the Bridges and School Houses of the County, treating them as Assets, must not cause the reader to regard him as a hopeless paranoiac, his handling, in business, nothing other than "the long green" gave him a poor opportunity to learn that the ordinary book-keeper always regards property of intrinsic value, regardless of age, without thought as to whether it had been bought and paid for in part, or in whole, donated in part or in whole, as an Asset to the extent of its then value. The Bridges and School houses belong, without dispute, to the County, don't they? No one claims any title or part in them, do they? They have been paid for, haven't they? In such case there can be no possible reason why they are not a perfectly correct and legitimate Asset.

A la Lallapazoola!
ITEM VI. The "AMUSEMENT" which thrills Hayes while saying that "they attempt to bring in School property in Asheboro, Randleman, etc., but fail to state that most of this property is covered with bonded debt, etc.," is, indeed inexplicable. The writer is sorely tempted to lance him deeply for that crudeness, for no known or unknown school or system of Book-keeping or of reason can account for or excuse a perversion of the truth. The foot note of Exhibit F, points out to the reader the fact, specifically and particularly, that NONE OF SUCH PROPERTY, BELONGING TO PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS OR MUNICIPALITIES, is included in the footings of the Statement.

There seems only one way to compass this difficult error that Hayes, the "PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER" has fallen into, for nobody believes Hayes would deliberately lie. No!! Far be it from this writer to convey such an intimation, touching a fellow (Near) "PRACTICAL BOOK-KEEPER," therefore it must have been Hayes' cranial fluid cavity, under the influence of Lunar impulses, became suddenly flooded, engulfed, to the exclusion of his customary lucidity and sweetness of temper, causing him to speak at random, wonderingly, aimlessly.

"And the greatest of these is charity."
Item VII. Hayes, the "Practical Book keeper," now "spars for wind." His "amusement," however, is unabated when he says the public would like to know how \$7,491.02 was spent on the convict fund January, 1910, to September, 1910.

Now Hayes is a humorist, a wit. One glance at his genial physiognomy reveals that fact to the casual observer, but his exercise of those twin qualities is subtle. Hayes knows how that money was spent, but his love of humor incites him to play this last stunt off in the name of the "public."

Four weeks prior to September 1st, 1910, the county commissioners advertised in both the Asheboro newspapers, asking all creditors of the county to present all claims by the date mentioned, for payment, and this writer is advised that all indebtedness contracted for the convicted fund during the years 1909 and 1910, and all other claims against that fund have been paid and included in the item of \$7,491.02.

One knowing the warmth of Hayes' nature, the flood of love welling up from his big, generous, tender heart, understands that his humor is gentle, and that he is only "proggskia" with the public, a nudging... only on a "saize hunt," where they found the original "mare's nest." For in his mention of the public's anxiety to know things, he points to the item, say-

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McILWAINE-MARTIN.

Rev. William B. McIlwaine and Miss Isabelle Martin Wed Married Yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon Rev. W. B. McIlwaine, pastor of the Asheboro Presbyterian church, of Asheboro, and Miss Isabelle Louise Martin, of Petersburg, Va., were united in marriage at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Petersburg. On the eve of the occasion, the Petersburg correspondent writing to the Washington Post, has this to say concerning the prominent parties:

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Graham McIlwaine Martin, of Petersburg, Va., have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Isabelle Louise Martin, to the Rev. William B. McIlwaine. The ceremony will take place Wednesday afternoon, October 6, at 6 o'clock, in St. Paul's church, Petersburg.

Miss Martin is a prominent society girl of Virginia, and like her fiancé, has a wide family connection throughout the State.

Mr. McIlwaine recently was graduated from the Union Theological Seminary, and during his student life in this city made many friends. He is a son of former State Senator William B. McIlwaine, and is a nephew of Judge Roger Atkinson Fryor, of New York. Mr. McIlwaine is pastor of the Presbyterian church at Asheboro, N. C.

Commits Suicide

A dispatch from New York Saturday, carried the news that Dr. Herbert Guder, a young physician from Asheville, committed suicide there by slashing his throat with a razor. Overwork was assigned as the cause of the rash act. Dr. Guder was a graduate of the University of North Carolina and had received his M. D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He was a son of former Congressman Guder.

The Southbound Railroad.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Winston-Salem Southbound railroad met in that city Tuesday for the purpose of taking up several important matters affecting the road. It was decided that the road should be operated by the Atlantic Coast Line Railway. The road has already cost \$3,000,000.

Confederate Monument Fund Grows.

Several interested, patriotic people are helping to increase the monument fund, and if the interest will increase more yet—enough for about five hundred dollars more to be given, Randolph county can pride itself on having a Confederate monument. The monument committee has been trying by various means to raise the money. They have asked each of the old veterans to try to raise \$5. Some have complied with the request and far exceeded the amount. Will not all the persons who intend to have a share in this monument to honor the memory of Randolph's brave heroes contribute at once in order that the order may be placed for the monument this fall? If liberal contributions are made the committee hopes to erect a monument and unveil it the 10th of May. The following subscriptions have recently been received:

- Miss Sallie Winslow, \$.50
- Mrs. Emma F. Kearns, .50
- J. W. Harris, 1.00
- S. A. Cox, 1.00
- J. D. Welch, .50

A General Brawl.

At Thomasville on last Friday afternoon there occurred a serious fight at a near-beer saloon. It appears that all the parties in the mix-up had been drinking. Ed Kopley, Josh Wilson and Willis Hunt, all well known farmers near Thomasville, were engaged in the fight.

Accidentally Shoots Self.

Quite a distressing accident occurred at High Point early Monday morning when it became known that Col. D. F. Maddox, a well known citizen of that town, had accidentally killed himself. For a day or two at odd moments Col. Maddox had been trying to extract a cartridge from a pistol when the pistol suddenly went off, the ball entering at the pit of his stomach, resulting in instantaneous death.

GENERAL NEWS

Various and Sundry News and Items of Interest to Our Many Readers

The republicans have declined a joint canvass with Democrats in Forsyth county.

For the first time in 50 years the doors of the gambling houses in Nevada have been closed by law.

Dr. C. Brem, a well known man of Charlotte, died suddenly last week at his home in that city.

The Anderson, South Carolina Cotton Mills ask for a further curtailment during the month of October.

During the month of September Forsyth county issued a total of 60 marriage licenses, doubling the same month last year.

Senator Overman, who was a representative of this government at Mexico, has returned home and will assist in the Democratic campaign.

B. F. Dixon, Jr., has been appointed to the fill the office of state auditor recently vacated by the death of his father.

There is to be a joint canvass in the fourth North Carolina district between Congressman E. W. Potts and Hon. R. A. P. Colley.

In a wreck on the Murphy division of the Southern railway last week two coaches left the track, injuring eight persons.

The High Point city schools opened recently with a larger attendance than in any previous year. The first day enrollment was 1,067.

The Colonial Club of Charlotte, in superior court the other day, was fined \$500 for the violation of the prohibition law sometime ago.

A dispatch from Beaufort the other day said that more than two million Menhaden, commonly called Flatback, were caught off the coast in one day.

The state department of insurance at Raleigh announces the 121st conviction for the crime of arson through prosecution by the department since its establishment.

The first annual session of the Anson county Baptist Association will be held with Cedar Grove Baptist church, in that county, on October 18th and 19th.

The tax lists find upon the completion of the books that the aggregate wealth of Durham county as listed this year is \$20,414,371, which is a gain of \$1,411,446.

The tax books of Iredell county show the total value of real and personal property this year is \$10,405,231, an increase of \$244,435.01 over last year.

The Dukes of Durham, according to an announcement recently given out, have given something like a million and a half dollars to Trinity College during its existence.

China is declared to be on the verge of another upheaval, similar to the Boxer uprising and lives of foreigners are in jeopardy. The army and navy are preparing to quell any disturbance that may arise.

Miss Betsy Cruse, a well known citizen near Spencer, was fatally injured one day last week while drawing a six gallon bucket of water when her hand slipped off of the crank and she was struck in the forehead by the windlass.

A dispatch from Raleigh last week said that one of the most daring attempts at jail breaking occurred there when eight prisoners overpowered the assistant jailor and his keys were taken from him. But timely aid prevented them from escaping.

News comes from Wadesboro, Anson county, saying that there has just been organized what is known as the Dixie Development Company for the purpose of assisting the farmer own his own home and farm. The capital stock of the company is \$100,000.

One of the most notable cases up for argument on appeal was brought up in the supreme court at Raleigh Tuesday in which Thos. Harvey, a travelling man, procured in the Wayne superior court a verdict for \$5,000 that was out by the trial judge to \$2,500 for being put off of the train because he had no ticket.

Meets Death Under Train.

W. D. Hughes, better known as "Den" Hughes, formerly of Randleman, Va., was killed last Friday by a train near Greensboro. The reports say that he was riding a freight train and had been put off by the conductor, when it seems that he layed down on the track with his head resting on one rail and his feet on the other until another train came along passing over his body amputating both feet at the ankles, also crushing the back of his head. It could not be ascertained whether he had been drinking or was under the effect of some drug.

He was about 25 years of age and was a native of Randleman, this county, but of late had been living in Danville, Va., where he worked in a cotton mill. For several years he had been a wanderer from the paths of rectitude which grew into a life of habitual dissipation leading up to his destruction on last Friday.

The remains of the unfortunate man were brought to Randleman and buried on Sunday. His parents and a number of near relatives live at Randleman.

When Will Democracy Die?

When the iron eats grass like an ox, and the fish worm swallows the whale; when the terrapin knit wool on socks, and the hare is outrun by the snail; when serpents walk upright like men, and the doolie begs travel like frogs; when grasshoppers feed on the bear; when feathers are found on the hogs; when tomatoes swim in the trees; when insects in summer are rare, and snuff never makes people sneeze; when fish creep over dry land and moles on bicycles ride; when foxes lay eggs in the sand, and women in dress never take pride; when Dutchmen no longer drink beer, and when girls get to preaching in time; when billy goat's butt from the rear, and treason is no longer a crime; when the humming bird brays like an ass, and limburger smells like cologne; when plowshares are made out of glass, and the hearts of workmen are stone; when ideas grow in jackasses heads, and wool on the hydraulic ram then Democracy will be dead, and the country won't be worth a d—.

A Silver Wedding Celebrated.

The Silver Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Coltrane was celebrated at their home near Trinity, October 1st, 1910, by a surprise party of family relations. It was a complete surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Coltrane. Each family brought a basket and from these was spread a beautiful and bountiful table, near 1 o'clock, under the shade of the maples on the lawn.

Of the families present were Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Lewallen, of Asheboro; Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Coltrane, of Guilford College; Mr. and Mrs. S. Wall, of Level Cross; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gray, of near Greensboro; Mr. Eugene Lewallen, of Asheboro; Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Gray, of Guilford and others.

Among the wedding presents was a silver brooch presented by Mrs. Z. A. Lewallen, a sister of Mrs. R. E. Coltrane. The brooch was greatly appreciated because it brought back sweet memories of the past when a golden brooch was presented as a wedding present.

It was indeed an enjoyable occasion for brothers and sisters to meet who had been separated for so many years. All the brothers and sisters of Mrs. R. E. Coltrane were present except one, to whom the sisters sent a box of the silver wedding cake. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Coltrane received many hearty congratulations and good wishes for many more years of prosperity. And many were thankful for the occasion of celebrating that silver wedding because of the joy and pleasure experienced in the meeting of family relations.

Editor Daniels Attacked

The account sent out from Raleigh last Saturday to the effect that Editor Daniels had been attacked on the streets by Buck Jones, the young senator from Wake county, created quite a sensation all along the line. The attack grew out of the fact that Senator Jones took offense at an article appearing in the columns of the News & Observer. Mr. Daniels was bruised up a little as a result of the affair, but Jones was not injured.

A FALSE STATEMENT.

Republicans in Speeches at Cedar Square Make Characteristic False Assertions.

We are advised by a gentleman whose word may not be successfully disputed, that L. D. Mendenhall made the following statement at Cedar Square on Monday night, the 3rd instant:

"The Democrats promised two years ago that the court house would be built without levying a special tax or issuing bonds, but they have issued bonds, and I know they have done so."

Mr. Redding, one of the Republican candidates for the legislature, according to our informant referred to above, declared that the county had borrowed \$35,000 to build the court house, and that only a little over \$4,000 had been paid on it. Referring to what Mendenhall said, and we doubt not that he said it, he knew he was making a deliberate, malicious and senseless false statement, as every man in the county knows that the county has not issued bonds for the court house, or for any other purpose, and Mendenhall knew that fact also, even when asserting to the contrary.

The financial statement published and sent out through the county depicts what Redding said. The county never borrowed \$35,125 for court house construction, and almost \$8,500 have been paid on account of this building since June, 1908.

The above statement from Republican speakers, who have refused to take part in joint canvasses, shows their purpose plainly for so refusing, as they are enabled to make just such villainously false assertions as those quoted above to the little gathering they addressed.

They make sure of having no prompt denials or immediate questioning of what they say, and instead of discussing the live issues, they say little beyond manufacturing false statements concerning county affairs, knowing they can thus palm them off undisputed upon the people.

We call upon representative Democrats to go out and hear and report to us what these speakers are saying, following the example of the gentlemen who gave us the information above printed, and the Republicans will be forced to keep nearer the truth than they have been doing, or suffer exposure as severe as may be merited.

Prizes for Wheat Farmers.

Messrs. J. H. Kearns, of Farmer, and S. E. Coble, of Climax, two of Randolph's progressive farmers, were in town Monday and told a Courier scribe of the launching out of a movement to encourage the wheat growers of this county to make larger yields of wheat per acre. They have been successful in raising \$50 to be distributed among the star wheat growers of the county for the next season. The single farmer that raises the largest number of bushels to the acre in the county is to receive \$25; the second prize for the next largest yield is \$15, and the third prize for the third largest yield is \$10.

So, with these prizes in view, it is incumbent upon our wheat farmers to get busy and make a thorough preparation of their soil and get in the race for one of these prizes. Be up and doing!

Death of Mrs. W. L. Foust.

There died on last Thursday, September 29th, Mrs. Willard L. Foust at her home in Asheboro, after a lingering illness of more than two years. Mrs. Foust was about 25 years of age, and was a member of the M. E. church. She left behind to mourn their loss a husband, one child, a father, three sisters and a number of other relatives.

The funeral services were conducted on the following day by the Rev. C. A. Wood, in the midst of quite a crowd of relatives and friends.

Heaviest Judgment on Record.

What is said to be the heaviest judgment ever given in a North Carolina court was granted in Asheville last Saturday, when Special Master A. H. Price, of Salisbury, filed his report, consisting of fourteen pages, in the suit of the Bankers Trust Company and the judgment entered against the defendant was for \$400,750.