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FROM MOREHEAD TO MURPHY.

A Grand Celebration of a Great Event.

After fifty years of hopes and disappointments, trials and tribulations, the people of North Carolina can rejoice over the completion of the railroad to Murphy, thus connecting the extreme western limit of our State with its ocean coast. In commemoration of this great event the citizens of Murphy and surrounding section appointed Thursday, the 23rd of July, for a day of rejoicing. Extensive preparations were made, among others, the laying of the corner-stone of Cherokee's new and elegant court house, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina, a big barbecue, &c., &c.

Special trains were run from Tennessee, Georgia and from Asheville. Supt. Bridges and Passenger Agent Winburne not only furnished ample train accommodations but attended themselves with Train Dispatcher Foster. They gave very low rates, too, thus showing their readiness to contribute to the success of so praiseworthy an occasion.

On the day appointed there were from 2,500 to 3,000 people present—and a more orderly crowd we have never seen. All entered into the spirit of the occasion with evident pleasure, and barring a few showers during the day, all really enjoyed it.

At 11 o'clock the masons, to the number of about 300, marched from their lodge room to the site of the new court house, escorting Grand Master H. A. Gudger and other grand officers of the Order. The Grand Master then laid the corner-stone with the impressive ceremonies of his Order. The brass band of Cherokee Indians connected with the Indian school in Swain county furnished excellent music throughout the day. The Masons presented a very imposing appearance as they surrounded the point of interest. A number of documents, &c., were deposited with the corner stone.

At the conclusion of this service the immense crowd repaired to the cool spring on the Hitchcock place, near the town, where, in a dense and beautiful grove, the barbecue had been spread and stands for the speakers erected.

Mr. E. B. Norvell, of Murphy, called the meeting to order and delivered a short address of welcome and congratulation.

Hon. A. T. Davidson, of Asheville, followed in one of the most graceful speeches of his life. For many years he was a resident of Murphy, and for many years was directly identified with efforts to secure the completion of this road. He expressed special pleasure in being with them in the celebration of the final completion of this great work. Col. D. referred feelingly to those who had labored so long in efforts to bring about this completion.

R. M. Furman, of Asheville, followed Col. Davidson in a few remarks which, while congratulating the people upon the great event they had met to celebrate, admonished them the road would not of itself develop Cherokee county; that only by their own efforts could this be done, the road only furnishing them a means by which to work out their own destiny. He referred to the faithful work done in the past by representatives of Western Carolina and friends in Eastern Carolina and of the States, specially by Col. Andrews, Col. Buford, Maj. Wilson, Col. Tate and the members of the R. & D. company to secure the completion of this great work.

He read the following letters. From his Excellency Governor Holt:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
RALEIGH, N. C., July 20, 1891.

To Messrs. J. W. & R. L. COOPER:

GENTS:—I have just received your kind invitation to be present with the citizens of Murphy and Cherokee county, at Murphy on the 23d inst. In reply permit me to say that nothing would afford me more pleasure than to be with you, but I am compelled to leave this p. m. to attend the encampment of the State Guard at Wrightsville, and cannot possibly leave there before the morning of the 23rd. I am sure that no one will rejoice more than I will over the completion of that great work to its western terminus. I have always done what I could to consummate this desired end. I have been in a position to aid it and have always stood firm in my desire to see that part of my native State developed, which could only be done by railroads penetrating it. I, in the legislature of 1885, confirmed my desires by acts, as the bill which was absolutely necessary to become a law, in order to complete the work, was tied five times in the House, and I as speaker broke the tie in each case by a vote of yeas and nays. I believe along the line of the work may be benefited and their highest expectations realized.

Regretting my inability to be present with you, I am,

Yours very truly,
THOS. M. HOLT, Governor.

From Col. A. B. Andrews:

RICHMOND & DANVILLE R. R. COMPANY,
OFFICE OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 20, 1891.

To Messrs. R. L. Herbert, F. P. Axley, J. W. Cooper, R. A. Aiken and Ben. Posey, Committee of Invitation, Murphy, N. C.:

GENTLEMEN:—In acknowledging your pleasant invitation to be present upon the occasion of the celebration of the completion of the Western North Carolina railroad to Murphy, I confess to the feeling of a keen disappointment. The day which you have selected happens to be my fiftieth birthday, and no ordinary circumstances could prevent my attendance, and which cannot be postponed, render it impossible for me to be with you in person. Please bear witness for me to the people of Western North Carolina, and especially to those of Graham, Cherokee and Clay, that I have fulfilled the promise made to North Carolina. To-day an unbroken line of rail connects the harbors of Beaufort and Wilmington with the country nestled under the shadow of the Unaka mountains. Difficulties of engineering, of construction, of legislation, of finance, most of which have not and never will be known to the public, have been met and overcome. Let us hope that the undeveloped wealth of Cherokee, her iron ore hidden in its rocky bed, her marble covering as with a floor the loveliest valley that ever smiled beneath a summer sun, will prove a source of income to her people.

Whatever can be done by the Richmond & Danville railroad company or by myself to aid in this development you may rest assured will be done.

Very truly your friend,
A. B. ANDREWS.

Also an admirable letter from Hon. Thos. D. Johnston. [We were disappointed in not receiving a copy of this letter with the others. Will publish next week.]

After this the immense concourse were invited to partake of the great feast prepared for the occasion. There was an abundance of the substantial for all, and it was fully enjoyed.

After dinner admirable speeches of congratulation were delivered by Hon. W. T. McCarron, of Athens, Tennessee; Col. H. B. Hardy, of the Raleigh State Chronicle; Col. Burckitt and Col. Turley, of Athens, Tenn.; Hon. H. A. Gudger, of Asheville; Maj. B. L. Duke, (of the celebrated firm) of Durham; Benj. Posey, Esq., and Hon. J. W. Cooper, of Cherokee. Notwithstanding it was showery off and on during the evening, the large crowd stood their ground and enjoyed the addresses, and were pleased with all of them.

Thus concluded the most important day in the history of Cherokee county and a celebration worthy of the occasion. Mayor Herbert, Messrs. Axley, Norvell, Campbells, Cooper, Posey, Aiken, Meroney and others, indeed the whole community, certainly performed their duties with admirable taste and thoughtfulness. To all of these we extend sincere congratulations upon the happy result of an occasion so interesting in all respects.

Now our Cherokee friends have the opportunity they have so long needed and wanted. They have a county of almost limitless resources, but by their own energy can these be developed. They must show these to the world, and thus invite and attract capital to go in and help develop them. As was stated to them by those who addressed them, upon themselves all depends whether they are to realize all the benefits the railroad can confer. Murphy is one of the best in the country. It is not surpassed in climate or other material advantages, while its surroundings in things which go to make up a large, prosperous, industrial centre are not surpassed on the globe. THE DEMOCRAT wishes them God speed in their efforts to develop their splendid section.

NOTES.

We have never seen such promising crops of corn, grass and tobacco as the farms from Asheville to Murphy now bear. The Valley river section is a sight of pleasure to any one, and must be encouraging to its farmer residents.

The marble corner stone for the new court house was chosen from and kindly donated by the Kinsey Marble Works, near Murphy, on the evening of the 22d, and by hard work continued throughout the night, was prepared and in place in time for the occasion. The party from whom it was first ordered failed to have it in time, and Mr. F. P. Axby, who knows no such word as fail, procured it and had it furnished as above stated.

The sentiment of the people of Cherokee is that now the road must be pushed on to Chattanooga, and our Tennessee friends all responded, Amen! with assurances of co-operation to the proposition. This connection is one of the certainties of the future.

It was unanimously voted that the most eloquent speech made during the day was made to some ladies by Passenger Agent Winburne, of the W. N. C. R. R. Col. Bridges, the able superintendent, prepared an able and eloquent impromptu speech, but was paralyzed into silence by Mr. Winburne's flowery encouragement in behalf of the passenger department of his road, and a heavy rain which set in when his time on the programme arrived.

Brothers Campbells and Meroney, of the Murphy press, were assiduous in their attention to the visiting multitude, and were happy in being so. They are proud of their county, as they well may be.

Maj. B. L. Duke, "The Duke of Durham," has invested largely in real estate in and around Murphy, and is more than pleased with his investments. He regards Murphy as the coming center of one of the most important industrial sections of the rapidly developing South.

City Alderman J. M. Gudger was in attendance. He is a Mason, and so impressed himself upon his brethren that they expressed a wish for him to return at some future time and deliver a lecture upon the subject of Masonry.

In a little while the bridge across Hiwassee river will be completed, when direct connection between Asheville, via Murphy with Atlanta and Knoxville will be established. It will be the shortest route from Asheville to Aslanta.

The new town of Andrews, eighteen miles east of Murphy, at the head of Valley river valley, is growing rapidly. A good hotel and several stores are already in operation, and others are soon to follow. The whole section abounds in iron, marble and manganese. It will be a rich section yet.

The Indian brass band certainly added greatly to the pleasure of the day.

Friends of Cherokee, we greet you. May heaven smile upon and prosper you all, is the prayer of THE DEMOCRAT.

Southern Exposition—October 1st to December 1st, 1891.

The following are among the articles that are desirable from each section of the South to place in the Southern Exposition to be held in the city of Raleigh, North Carolina.

One-half bushel of the following: Barley, buckwheat, corn, oats, rye, wheat, prunes, cherries, wild and cultivated berries, nuts and acorns.

Preserved fruits in half-gallon glass jars.

One to ten pounds of each variety of cotton in seed and lint; flax and jute in various stages of manipulation.

Ten pounds of each variety of sugar; one gallon of each variety of molasses and sorghum; honey, one quart or one to ten pounds in comb.

Two pounds of each variety of tobacco. Ten pounds of each variety of grass; one bundle, six inches in diameter, of each variety of grain in sheaf.

Hops, five pounds; broom-corn, ten to twenty-five heads; garban peas and beans, one gallon of each variety dried.

Plants and growing shrubs in pots. Spirituous liquors, wines and all kinds of liquids, one quart of each variety.

Minerals, building stones, precious stones, marl and phosphate rock, any size specimens; soils, one foot square as deep as desired, boxed up so as to retain the same shape as when taken from the ground.

Wood and timber specimens, if in sawed form, one inch thick, any width and length; if a section is sawed from a tree, to be any size desired; if split from the tree, the section to be large enough to square at least two by four inches, by four feet long.

Manufactured goods, from cotton, wool, flax and silk, each sample usual width, six yards long; from wood or iron, one specimen of a kind.

Stuffed birds and animals; Indian relics and curiosities; photographic views of buildings, faros and scenery, one of a kind.

The above list of articles may be added to, both in variety and quantity, according to what is produced, manufactured, or found in each State or community.

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J. B. JOHNSON.

July 9-4t

NOTICE!

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of August, 1891, I will sell to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door in the city of Asheville, N. C., J. H. Stone's interest in a certain piece of land situated on Hominy Creek, it being the land now owned by E. W. Stone and others, adjoining lands of W. H. Curtis, H. A. Luther and M. H. Morgan, for taxes due for the year 1889 and 1890. This July 30, 1891.

D. L. REYNOLDS, Sheriff,
Per S. J. Luther, D. S.

July 9-4t

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July 9-4t

Notice.

Having taken out letters of administration on the estate of James Lusk, deceased, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate will present them duly recorded on or before April 7, 1892, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will call and pay the same without further notice. This 7th of April, 1891.

A. T. SUMMAY, Administrator.