

Write to Your Congressman.

A bill has been introduced in Congress by Hon. W. P. Brownlow of Tennessee asking for an appropriation of \$24,000,000 for the purpose of improving the country roads of the United States. This bill will come up in a few days and we hope every citizen of this county will write to Hon. J. M. Gudger, Jr., and ask him to do all in his power to secure the passage of said bill. If the bill should pass there would be about \$4,500 spent in this county on roads.

There is now a surplus in the national treasury of \$260,000,000, and some should be spent to help the farmers of the country. Millions are spent each year on improving the waterways and harbors, on the veterans and on public buildings in the large towns and cities, and it is time to spend some of the national funds for the people who live in the country, and this bill to spend this money for good roads will help every man in every country section in the entire United States. The bill is essentially a farmers' bill and should have their most hearty support.

Something over a half million dollars will be spent in North Carolina and we can drive from one county to another on good roads. The same team and wagon that now hauls one ton can on a good road haul one-third more with no greater effort and can make better time in addition, and there will be less wear and tear on the wagon, and it will not take as much feed to keep the stock in good condition.

Write to your congressman at once. Do not delay as time is precious. His address is Hon. J. M. Gudger, Washington, D. C. Tell him to support the Brownlow Good Roads Bill and you will never regret it.

For a bad taste in the mouth take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price 25 cts. Warranted to cure. For sale by Z. W. Nichols Brevard, and O. L. Erwin, Calvert.

TWO MEN KILLED BY TRAIN.

Tom Turnham and Jesse Edge horribly killed by a train at Lafayette, Ala., Jan. 15. Turnham and Jesse Edge were killed by a south-bound Central of Alabama train from Roanoke at a crossing one mile north of Lafayette at 1:30 p. m. on Tuesday afternoon.

They had been shopping on their way home, 10 miles from the town, when the train struck them. The wagon and the men were totally destroyed. The men were cut in many places.

Edge was instantly killed. Turnham lived half an hour before he died. Their heads and bodies were horribly mangled.

BEGINS PRISON TERM.

Alderman Brennan of Chicago sentenced in House of Correction.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Alderman Brennan, of the Eighteenth ward, sentenced to one year in the house of correction for complicity in the election frauds, was put to work today sweeping up bundles of brooms in the broom department. He was attired in the regulation prison suit of blue, and his hair and moustache had been trimmed.

With Brennan 117 other men were working, both negro and white. They are what is known as "long termers"—sentenced for a year or more.

Investigating Iroquois Fire.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Coroner Tamm was handed a communication from the foreman of the jury investigating the Iroquois theater fire stating that it was the unanimous decision of the jury to eliminate all testimony which does not directly to responsibility for the fire. The letter suggests that better evidence could be obtained by calling witnesses, lessees and managers of the Iroquois. Six additional chambers were ordered closed today. All other lodging houses will also be closed in consequence of the strict enforcement of ordinances.

Rail Manufacturers.

Pittsburg, Jan. 14.—Meeting of rail rolling plants from Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, Maryland and Georgia, is being held here today to discuss strengthening prices and to bring about a better trade condition. The manufacturers are largely outside of the States. Steel corporation organization of a pool for the purpose of raising the price of the meeting.

Streets and Sidewalks.

What Is the Duty of Brevard and How Far Does Its Authority Extend?

There be kicks and kickers, and among the latter are some who live in the section of Brevard which uses North Caldwell street as a means of intercourse. There was once a plank walk on this street, put there largely by private enterprise, but last summer a coterie of kickers brought their influence to bear and had this plank walk removed. The senior News editor thought they were very short-sighted. He remembers why that sidewalk was built—the street was impassable for foot traffic, just as it is now, and the kickers are getting the reward for its removal.

When Brevard extended its corporate limits a half-mile from the court house she took in several miles of country roads outside the original plat of the town. Like other country roads they were "16 feet clear of stumps and runners." Since that time several new 40-foot streets have been opened, given to the town and accepted by the proper authorities, but no such action has been taken in regard to the country roads, and the only roadway the town has is to the old roadway. If the town is expected to make streets of these country roads, the owners of property on either side should set their fences back at least a 40 foot sidewalk from the town.

Neither the street committee nor the Board of Aldermen should it their duty to undertake this possible, and it is impossible to properly provide for the town which uses North Caldwell street with only a 20-foot sidewalk. When the...