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WOULD IT BE WISE.

For the democrats of Harnett county to petition the district Judge to appoint two democrats to serve on the board of county commissioners with the three commissioners elected by the people? The last legislature, when it changed our form of county government and allowed the county commissioners to be elected by the people, made a proviso for two others to be appointed by the district Judge.

As the law now is, three men are elected as county commissioners who have full control of the finances of the county and can make any debt of any amount on the county.

As all know, the majority of the property holders and the intelligence of the county, is in the democratic party. There are some few republicans and populists in the county who own considerable property, and many of them are intelligent citizens, but the fusion candidates know that their election is due to the votes of the negroes of the county, and the negro vote had the majority in that fusion. It is a fact that cannot be denied. Now will these officers prove faithful servants to those who elected them? Those who elected them, if they are faithful servants, should receive all the benefits and offices that they have to give. We always expect a man to favor his friends in preference to his enemies.

By having two more members of the board appointed we might possibly protect the county to some extent. Every one knows that a council of five is better than three. King Solomon said: "In the multitude of council there is safety." Then why not have five? We can very easily have two more appointed and it may prove beneficial to the people of the county to have it done. We give below the section of the law which empowers the appointment of two commissioners:

Sec 5, Chap. 135, Laws of 1895, says: That whenever as many as five electors of the county make affidavit before the clerk of the Superior court, at any time after the election of the county commissioners, that they verily believe that the business of the county, if left entirely in the hands of the three commissioners elected by the people, will be improperly managed, that then upon petition of two hundred electors of said county, one-half of whom shall be free holders, and so certified by the clerk of the Superior court made to the Judge of the district, or Judge presiding therein, it shall be the duty of said Judge to appoint two honest and discreet citizens of said county, who shall be of a political party different from that of a majority of the board of commissioners, who shall, from their appointment and qualification, by taking the oath required for county commissioners, be members of said board of commissioners in every respect, as fully as if elected by the people, and shall continue in office until the election and qualification of the successors of said board of county commissioners, and that no money shall be paid upon the order of said board, or official bonds accepted, nor shall any debt be incurred, except upon the concurrence of as many as four of said board. That all motions concerning financial matters shall be taken upon an eye and no vote, and recorded upon the minutes.

Senator Marion Butler has written a letter to Senator J. C. Pritchard stating that he could not support or advise any populist member of the legislature to vote for his return to the United States Senate. It is pretty certain that Senator Butler will advise the populist to vote for a free silver Senator, Senator Pritchard is on record as a gold standard man and it is probable will be defeated for the United States Senate by the next legislature, notwithstanding the agreement made between the populists and republicans two years ago.

Remember the poor and sick, the widow and orphan in your thanksgiving to morrow.

PHOTOGRAPHS THE THOUGHT.

EXPERIMENTS OF DR. J. ALLISON HODGES, OF THE RICHMOND MEDICAL UNIVERSITY.

Harnett county has produced quite a number of men who have won distinction in the professions, and it is always a pleasure to note their achievements. Dr. J. Allison Hodges, professor of nervous diseases in the Richmond Medical University, is a native of Harnett county, and is winning fame in his profession. His friends will read with pleasure the following account of his experiments taken from the New York Herald of a recent issue:

The startling experiments of De Baraduc in Paris, who succeeded in securing photographs of will power sent through the nerves of the hand and arm and fingers and affecting a sensitized film placed near the fingers, were first published in the columns of this paper. So also were the interesting researches of Colonel de Rochas, of l'Ecole Polytechnique, in Paris, showing that this same will power was a "luminous effluvia," which could and would animate inanimate objects placed temporarily within its sphere.

But an American, a distinguished nervous specialist, of Richmond, Va., now comes forward proposing to expose the brain surface in a living person, and not only examine, but also secure a permanent print of such molecular changes as take place in one or more of the brain cells in the intellectual centre of that person while he is thinking.

Dr. J. Allison Hodges is professor of nervous diseases in the Richmond (Va.) Medical University. Next to Victor Horsley, of London, and Dr. William W. Keen, of Philadelphia, he has removed more arm, and elbow, and wrist, and finger, and thumb centres from the cortex (rind) of the brain for the cure of attacks of epilepsy—which begin in the particular parts of the body supplied by these centres—than any other surgeon in the world.

It should be promised, as an introduction to this statement of his experiments, that objects in the outer world of sense, such as colors and sounds and tastes and odors, impinge upon the various "end-organs" and sense in our bodies—such as the retina of the eye, the organ of corti in the inner ear, the taste buds of the tongue, and the hair cells of the mucous membrane of the nose—in the guise of other waves.

These other waves produce certain molecular changes in these end-organs, and these changes are carried to the cells in the sight, hearing, taste and smell centres in the surface of the brain by the nerves of special sense. These nerves are nothing more or less than the telegraph wires of the brain. One set of nerves carry messages of sense from the end-organs to the brain cells, and another set carry messages or orders out to muscles from other brain centres. Still other sets of nerves carry sensations from the cells of the sense centres to the cells in the intellectual or thought centres of the brain.

Alfred Binet, a French physicist, contends with much plausibility of facts and reasoning therefrom that sensations from the outer world such as colors and shapes assume the guise of permanent pictures in the sense centres (cells) of the brain, just as they assume the guise of temporary pictures in the visual purple of the retina of the eye.

He compares the distinct and successful lighting up of these pictures in the cells of the sense centres and intellectual centres of the brain, by repeated messages over the optic nerve from repeated pictures of the object in question in the retina, to the electric light colored letters and words on black walls, which are so often used in New York at the present day for advertising purposes.

Will photographic print of brain cells while thought is taking place in the living subject show pictures thrown up in those cells of the objects under consideration?

The instruments which Professor Hodges employs are as follows: First, a set of Dr. Pile's diamond drills for prepinning the skull. Second, a lens to concentrate sunbeams on the spot of brain surface to be examined. Or he may employ the focussed rays of a calcium light, if artificial illumination is necessary. Third, he magnifies the cell which he is examining and takes an instantaneous picture of this magnified by using the photomicrograph recently invented by O. G. Mason, secretary of the American Microscopical Association.

In using this photo micrograph for this direct purpose, the staging necessary when slides are employed is all removed. And the eye of the (objective) tube is placed right close to and brain surface is, of course, very near the distance between the tube eye and brain surface, is of course, very slight.

So far, so good. But Dr. Hodges is now casting about for some negro, or some criminal, who will allow his brain to be trephined for the sake of scientific progress. And who will have the nerve, after coming out of the anaesthesia resulting from the ether or chloroform employed, not only to withstand the physical shock usually induced by such an operation, but also to do some original thinking, if even of a very low order?

By taking photographs of the thought centre cells before consciousness is restored, and again of them when the patient's mind has assumed its normal condition, this daring and brilliant operator hopes to solve the mystery of the physical basis of thought—the material local changes in the atoms of the brain cell.

Origin of "Uncle Sam."

The nickname, "Uncle Sam" as applied to the United States Government, is said to have originated as follows: Samuel Wilson, commonly called "Uncle Sam," was a government inspector of beef and pork at Troy, New York, about 1812. A contractor, Eibert Anderson purchased a quantity of provisions, and the barrels were marked "E. A." Anderson's initials, and "U. S." for United States. The latter initials were not familiar to Wilson's workman, who inquired what they meant. A facetious fellow answered, "I don't know, unless they mean, Uncle Sam." A vast amount of property afterward passed through Wilson's hands marked in the same manner, and he was often joked upon the extent of his possessions. The joke spread through all the departments of the Government, and before long the United States was popularly referred to as "Uncle Sam"—October Ladies' Home Journal.

The Largest Still in the World.

The largest brandy still in the world is located at El Pinal vineyard, in San Joaquin county, California, says the San Francisco Call. In appearance it is simply a conglomeration of tanks, pipes and boilers. The capacity of this still is enough to make a person wonder what comes to all its products. When running full time it can convert 15,000 gallons of wine into brandy in a day. This makes 4,000 gallons every twenty-four hours, or enough to keep about 40,000 men intoxicated during that time. In a month there would be enough brandy on hand to intoxicate 1,700,000 men, or about the entire population of New York. But as it happens, very little of this is sold as brandy. It is used to fructify sweet wines, so that it will be in condition to keep until ready to send to market. The alcohol acts as a preservative of the grape juice the same as it would of anything else. It keeps it from turning sour.

At Cary, Wake county, the temperance and republican candidates for magistrates each receive the same vote and a new election has been ordered for that township.

LAND SALE!

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Harnett county, I will sell at public sale on Friday the 18th day of December, 1896 at the post office in Dunn, N. C., at 2 o'clock P. M., the following Real Estate, situated and being within the incorporated limits of the town of Dunn, to wit: 1st lot being known as the E. A. Johnson dwelling house and lot, bounded by the Culbreth Alley and Edgerton and Wilson streets. 2nd tract being that lot on which is situated the shops that are known as the R. A. Johnson shops, being bounded by Edgerton street, Culbreth Alley and the Railroad. Terms of sale, one-third cash, one-third in 90 days, the remainder in six months from date of sale, with note and security for the deferred payments, and title reserved until all the purchase money is paid in full. This Nov. 10th, 1896.

H. W. JERNIGAN, Administrator and Commissioner.
F. P. JONES, Attorney.

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E. F. Young.

LAND SALE!

By virtue of a judgement of the Superior court of Harnett county, I will sell at public sale for cash at the Post Office in Dunn, N. C., on Saturday the 13th day of December, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following tracts and parcels of land situated in Harnett county in and near the town of Dunn.

1st tract, being within the incorporate limits of the town of Dunn, known and designated as lot No. 10 in Block C, according to plans and specifications of laying out of said town.

2nd tract, being within the incorporate limits of the town of Dunn, fronting on Broad street, being 20 feet off the East ends of lots No 1, 2 and 3, of block N, of the original survey and plot of the town of Dunn fronting on Broad street 20 feet, running back with an alley 90 feet, it being the store house and lot now occupied by E. G. Taylor.

3rd tract, being situated in the incorporated limits of the town of Dunn and being known as lot No. 2 in Block N N fronting on Broad street, 100 feet and running back 150 feet.

4th tract being within the incorporate limits of the town of Dunn and on the South-west side of Cumberland street, opposite Block S, commencing opposite the south corner of Block S, and runs South-west at right angles with Cumberland street to the Pope line, thence with Pope line to Cumberland street, thence with said street south-eastwardly to the beginning, containing a fractional part of an acre.

5th tract being situated within the town of Dunn, and being known and designated as lot No 7 in block C. This lot and lot No 10 in block C are known as the Culbreth still lots, fronting on Edgerton street.

6th tract being within the incorporate limits of the town of Dunn, being known as lot No 1 in block S, fronting on the street running in front of the Disciple church, being that house and lot now occupied by Anson Starling as residence.

7th tract being near the town of Dunn, Averasboro township, Harnett county, and being known as the old McEl. Minnie place, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in Erasmus Lee's line and runs north 87 E. 37 ch. 13 links to a stake J. L. Phillips' line, thence N 19 W. 10 ch. 47 links to a stake in the road, the mouth of the lane; thence N 83 W. 15 ch. 22 links to a stake; thence S 174 W 1 ch. 19 links to the beginning corner, containing 37 1/2 acres, being the same more or less. These lands are sold for partition among tenants in common. This Nov. 16, 1896.

F. P. JONES, J. A. CULBRETH, Attorneys.

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SHERIFFS SALE.

By virtue of an Execution in my hands from the Superior Court of Harnett county, in favor of T. P. Sanders against H. A. Hodges, et al., I will sell at public sale, for cash, at the Court House in Lillington, on the 30th day of Nov. 1896, at 12 o'clock M., the title, right and interest that H. A. Hodges had or owned in what is known as the J. C. Surles' land, in Averasboro Township, Harnett county, in and near the town of Dunn, on the 7th day of Nov. 1893. Said lands being about 650 acres more or less, and for a description of the same, reference is hereby made to a deed for the same from Daniel Stewart to the said H. A. Hodges, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Harnett County. This Oct. 13th, 1896.

J. H. POPE,
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