

# THE COUNTY UNION.

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DUNN, N. C., MAY 5, 1897.

## The Drummers Tax Void.

In our last issue an article appeared stating that the State Treasurer had construed the tax on drummers as applicable only to State merchants who send out drummers. Treasurer Worth has since issued a circular which puts his construction upon it, and we think a proper one too, but still we do not think it in the province of the Treasurer to undo what the legislature did. If the legislature makes bad and unjust laws the officers of the State must execute them.

The circular is as follows: "Section 58 Revenue Act of 1897 provides that Every person, firm, company or corporation who shall engage in the business of selling or offering for sale by a drummer or drummers, with or without samples, goods, wares or merchandise of any description, in this state, shall, before so selling or offering for sale any such goods, wares, or merchandise, pay to the state treasurer a tax of fifty dollars (50.00), and obtain a license, which shall operate one year from its date."

"It is evident that the general assembly by saying 'Every person, firm, company or corporation,' meant that this tax should apply to all drummers alike both foreign and resident. But as the supreme courts, both national and state, have decided that a state can not tax foreign drummers, therefore this section was intended to apply to foreign drummers, it should not and can not justly apply to resident drummers. It is, also, evident that the legislature intended to put this tax upon a class. If their power fails as to a part of the class, there is no reason to believe it was intended to be in force as to the rest. It is not rational to ascribe to the legislature a purpose to impose a burden upon a portion of that class resident within its borders, and exempt that portion of the same class who are non resident.

"I hold, therefore, that Section 51, Revenue Act of 1897 inasmuch as it can not apply to all drummers alike as clearly intended, can not apply to any drummers and is therefore inoperative and void.

"W. H. WORTH."

The Dingley tariff bill is still tied up in the Senate and when it gets through that body, it will be so changed that it will hardly resemble the original bill. In fact it is said that the Senate committee is preparing a new one. The people are anxiously waiting for the wave of prosperity and if the tariff bill is the motor power they want it passed and let the prosperity come. The agitation of the bill is doing harm to all classes of business.

The United States will probably have to pay a considerable sum to the heirs of three Italians who were lynched in Louisiana last August. President McKinley sent a message to Congress Monday recommending an appropriation for the heirs without admitting the liability of our government. Our immigration laws should be so amended that our government should have protection in such cases.

The work of removing fourth class postmasters by the head-chopper in that department goes on at an average of 100 per day, the larger number being removed in the Northern states. The cyclone will strike down this way soon and all the present postmasters may get ready to step out.

A bill to issue certificates of indebtedness up to \$50,000,000 to meet deficiencies in the revenues was introduced in the Senate Monday by Senator Chandler of New Hampshire. And still the Republicans want to issue more bonds.

## "WAGES MUST GO DOWN."

In a recent interview, Senator Elkins, who is a noted champion of protection and other schemes to enrich the few at the expense of the many, is quoted as saying that under the operation of the Dingley tariff "wages must go down." The McKinley act sent them down not only to a lower scale, but made it impossible for workmen to get employment at all. And now we are told by one of the leading protectionists, when wages are lower than before the enactment of the McKinley act, "wages must go down," and he adds "wages in America stand against a revival of business."

Senator Elkins may be right when he says "wages must go down." Under the gold standard and a protective tariff higher than ever before, wages have gone down and employment has lessened. In the last campaign Senator Elkins and his party assured us that Mr. McKinley was "the advance agent of prosperity," and appealed to the workmen to vote for him in order to secure high wages and steady work. Now Mr. Elkins turns to them and says: "wages in America stand against a revival of business." In other words, the threat is made to the workmen that unless they consent to a further reduction of their wages the promised "revival of business" will not come.

The threat of Mr. Elkins is but a candid expression of the views of the syndicate that purchased the presidency last November. They want high tariff to add to their income, but they don't want to make a fair division with the wage-earners, and sooner than do that, they will postpone the "revival of business."

One of these days the humbug of "protection" will fully expose itself—News and Observer.

## CITY ELECTIONS.

Nearly all the cities and towns in the State held elections Monday and as usual most of them went Democratic.

In Raleigh the Democrats elected all the officers except three aldermen. Mayor W. M. Russ was re-elected over Frank Stronach, Republican, by 661 votes.

In Charlotte there were two tickets—Democratic and Independent. J. H. Weddington was the nominee of the Independent Democrats and E. B. Springs was the independent candidate. The election was bitterly fought and Springs was elected Mayor by 414 majority. The Independents had money to buy votes with and it is said that negro votes were bought by the wholesale.

The Democratic ticket was elected at Chapel Hill but the Graded School question was defeated.

At Fayetteville the Republicans had no ticket out and Mayor W. S. Cook was re-elected for the fifth term.

Sanford elected a Democratic Mayor and two aldermen out of five. The other three aldermen elected are Republicans.

At Salisbury the Democrats made considerable gains and elected their Mayor by 350 majority.

Greensboro, Durham and Goldsboro each elected Democratic Mayors and a majority of aldermen.

A bill has been introduced in Congress to reduce the internal revenue on whiskey and brandy. It has been stated that since the tax was increased to \$1.10 that illicit distilling has increased to such an extent that the officers are unable to stop it. If the Congress would put the tax down to 50 cents a gallon and then change the laws which regulate the collections of the taxes so that it would not cost so much to collect them, illicit distilling and blockading would almost be done away with.

QUEEN VICTORIA gave a reception to Col. John Hay, the new Ambassador from the United States to her court, at Windsor Castle Monday, when Col. Hay presented his credentials of appointment. A Royal carriage was sent for Col. Hay and his wife. This is an unusual distinction and shows that our government is highly respected by her.

It is stated that the Republican managers of the Kentucky State penitentiary have made a steal of \$17,000 since they got control two years ago.

## Resolutions of Respect.

"'Twas not in cruelty, nor in wrath  
The reaper came that day,  
'Twas an angel visited the earth,  
And bore our treasure away."

No purer, no truer woman ever worked for the Mission cause than our sister Mrs. Nancy B. Crowder. Gentle, quiet in manner, strong in faith, intimate with God and his word, she was one who could be least shared from the walks of earth, but God took her. He knows, he makes no mistakes, and in the richness of his love, will make up to his people all their losses here.

"A precious one from us has gone,  
A voice we loved is stilled,  
A place is vacant in our home  
Which never can be filled."

On the 11th of March 1897 sister Crowder was called to come up higher to be forever with the Lord, and our society recognizes the loss sustained, would record its estimate of one so valuable, so loved, so honored, therefore

RESOLVED 1st: That in the death of sister Crowder we feel deeply the loss of one whose work as a devoted Christian and loving friend, ranks us with our best and truest. In Eternity when the deeds of the saints of earth are revealed, many will call her blessed of the Lord.

RESOLVED 2nd: As a Society we honor her worth, revere her memory, and will emulate her faithfulness, her gentleness, her consecration, and will pray that many like her may be raised up to unfold the deep things of God's word as she did.

RESOLVED 3rd: That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the society, a copy sent to the family and to the COUNTY UNION for publication.  
Mrs. M. A. BYRD,  
Mrs. N. G. SPENCE,  
Committee.

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## Dickinson Jottings.

Cape Fear River is on a rise this week. Hope it will not get to be a flood like The Rivers of the West.

Mrs. Dr. McNeill spent Sunday and Monday with her sisters over "Between the Rivers."

Mr. H. H. Poe, of Poe's, was in this section Friday talking Georgianism.

Mrs. Jack Kivett returned to her home at Lillington Monday.

Master H. H. Kivett cut his foot quite seriously Thursday evening. Dr. McNeill dressed the wound and he is getting on fine.

Miss China Stewart, who has been visiting relatives over the River, returned home Sunday.

Glad to see Mrs. L. McKay, of Dunn, in this section today. Makes things look natural to see her around.

"The Memorial Three" seemed to cut me very sharp last week. I will only say the "Hit dog will howl."

"CLEMMENT ANSEL."

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## Notice!

On Thursday the 13th day of May, 1897, the Administrators of Raiford Lucas, deceased, late of Harnett county, N. C., will offer for sale the personal property of the said deceased. Several hundred pounds of bacon and lard, about fifty barrels of corn, one good mule, several cows and hogs, one good buggy and many other articles of value will be exposed to sale. Parties wishing to get bargains will find it to their interest to attend this sale. The sale will be held at the Lucas homestead, commencing at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The terms of sale will be on a credit of six months, secured by a note and good personal security. April 18th, 1897.

## EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

Dispatches were sent out to the press announcing an earthquake shock in western North Carolina and Virginia Monday afternoon. Yesterday's papers contain these items:

Richmond, Va., May 3.—Salem, Radford, Pulaski, Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Roanoke, Wytheville, Fincastle, and other points in southern Virginia report having experienced earthquake shocks to-day. At most places there were two shocks, one shortly after noon and the other at about 4 p. m. Radford appears to have been the point of most pronounced disturbance. The bricks were thrown from chimneys and plastering was knocked down. The reports indicate that the movement was from southeast to northwest. At several points in the southwest there was snow last night. No seismic disturbance seems to have been felt in the Shenandoah Valley.

Winston, N. C. May 3. Distinct earthquake shock was felt here at 2:17 to-day. It lasted three or four seconds but did no damage.

Elkins, N. C. May 3. Slight shock of earthquake was felt here to-day at 12:20. Buildings shook and the shock was perceptibly felt by several persons.

Richmond, Va., May 3.—The town of Pulaski was severely shaken by an earthquake soon after noon to-day. No damage resulted but the people were terribly frightened.

When fevers and other epidemics are around, safety lies in fortifying the system with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. A person having thin and impure blood, is in the most favorable condition to "catch" whatever disease may be floating in the air. Be wise in time.

CAPT. J. S. Lockhart died in Durham Monday morning. He was a prominent man of that town and served in the war with Stonewall Jackson's brigade. He was also a prominent Mason, and had long been connected with the tobacco trade of the State.

If the hair is falling out and turning gray, the glands of the skin need stimulating and color-food, and the best remedy and stimulant is Hall's Hair Renewer.

## Giles' Mill Items.

Good rains, and much needed ones, fell in this section Friday and Saturday and our farmers are pushing their work finishing planting.

On last Wednesday afternoon the residence of Mr. O. D. Strickland was discovered to be on fire and but for timely discovery would have been burned. Little damage was done as the fire was soon extinguished by Mr. Strickland and a man he had employed. Be careful with fire, it's a good servant but a bad master.

Miss Lela Highsmith, of Parkersburg, is a welcome visitor in our community, the guest of Mrs. O. D. Strickland.

Miss Lula Layton visited friends here Sunday.

We were glad to see our friend Mr. J. D. Baggett at Spring Branch Sunday.

Rev. J. A. Campbell filled his appointment at Spring Branch Sunday and preached an excellent sermon to a good congregation. X. E. S.

A child was cured of croup by a dose or two of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. A neighbor's child died of the same dreaded disease, while the father was getting ready to call the doctor. This shows the necessity of having Ayer's Cherry Pectoral always at hand.

## NOTICE!

By virtue of a certain execution in my hands from the United States Circuit Court at Raleigh, N. C., December term in favor of The United States against Charles Ingram principal and Henry A. Hodges, surety, I will on May 3rd, 1897 at 1 o'clock p. m., at the Court House door in Lillington, N. C., sell at public sale to the highest bidder for cash all the estate, right, title and interest of Henry A. Hodges in a certain tract of land in Aversboro township, Harnett county, known as the I. C. Sures land containing about 650 acres, more or less, being in and near the town of Dunn. For a full description of said land reference is hereby made to a certain deed for the land executed by Daniel Stewart to H. A. Hodges, registered in the Register's office of Harnett county, This April 6th, 1897.

Deed will be made to the purchaser at the purchaser's expense.  
O. J. CARROLL, U. S. Marshal.  
By J. H. BALANCE, Deputy Marshal.  
This sale continued until Monday May 17th at 1 o'clock.

## AYER'S PILLS

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NORTH CAROLINA } In Superior Court  
HARNETT COUNTY! }

MOSES H. JOHNSON, LENA A. JOHNSON and DELIA P. JOHNSON, VS. J. T. JOHNSON and OTHERS.

It appearing to me by affidavit that D. G. Massie and wife Keziah, as also that Mrs. Mary L. Williams, and her husband, whose name is not known, are non residents of the State, they and each of them are commanded to appear here on Monday the 10th day of May 1897 and answer petition of the petitioners, or Judgment will be awarded against them. This is an action for partition of land in Neils Creek Township Harnett county, N. C., formerly owned by Elizabeth Johnson. This April 5th 1897.  
F. J. MCKAY,  
Clerk Supr. Court.  
W. E. MURCHISON, Atty.

## LAND SALE!

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed to us by N. H. Stewart and wife on the 19th day of March 1896, and duly recorded in Book "L" No. 2 page 195 of the Register's office of Harnett County, N. C., we shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House Door in the town of Lillington N. C. on Monday the 10th day of May 1897, two certain tracts or parcels of land in Grove Township, state and county aforesaid and more particularly described in said Mortgage Deed substantially as follows: 1st tract containing 40 acres being the tract bought of J. K. Stewart March 11th, 1896. Beginning at a stake in the East run of Black River second corner of a 17 acre tract and runs South 3, West 25 chains to a stake in the Ryals old field, thence an old mark line North 87 West 20 chains to a Black gum with gum pointers in W. J. Stewart's line, thence as his line up the meanders of the river to the beginning about 65 yards North of the new road, containing 40 acres more or less. 2nd tract containing 31 acres, being the tract bought of the heirs of Young Ryals, deceased, beginning at a stake in Ryals West 41 chains and 72 links to another stake, thence North 3, East 11 chains 10 links to Black River, thence South 82, East 23 chains and 50 links to a stake, thence to the beginning, containing 31 acres, to satisfy indebtedness secured by said mortgage. This March 31st, 1897.  
GARDNER & FULLER, Mortgagees,  
Wellons & Morgan, Attorneys.

The above advertised sale has been continued to Thursday, June 10th, 1897.

## ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administrators of Raiford Lucas, deceased late of Harnett County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 16th day of April 1898, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment. This the 16th day of April 1897.  
J. W. and J. R. LUCAS,  
Admrs of Raiford Lucas,  
H. L. GODWIN, Atty.

## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of April 1897, seized in Dunn, N. C., in compliance with Section 3456 U. S. Revised Statutes, One Bay mare, seven years old, One Spring Wagon, bearing the name of "A. W. Brafford, Free Delivery" and Set Harness. If no claimant files notice with the Collector of Internal Revenue for 4th District, as provided for in Section 3076 U. S. Revised Statutes, I will on Saturday, the 15th day of May 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Post office door in the town of Dunn, N. C., sell the above described property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder. This April 12th 1897.  
J. WILEY JONES,  
Deputy Collector.

## NOTICE.

At 10 o'clock, A. M., on the 24th day of April, 1897, at the Post Office door in the town of Dunn, N. C., I will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder the following property which was seized by me in the town of Dunn on April 7th, 1897, in compliance with Section 3324 U. S. Revised Statutes: One black horse mule, One Spring Wagon, One Set Harness, Empty barrels and kegs. This April 12th 1897.  
J. WILEY JONES,  
Deputy Collector.

The sale of the above property has been postponed until Saturday, the 15th day of May, at same time and place as specified above.  
J. W. JONES,  
Deputy Collector.

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