

THE COUNTY UNION.

DUNN, Harnett County, N. C.

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DUNN, N. C., OCTOBER 13, 1897.

SHALL THE TAX FOR LILLY JUDGMENT BONDS BE COLLECTED?

The tax books are now in the hands of the Sheriff and he has begun the collection of the taxes, see his notice in another column. The question before the people now is whether the special tax levied to pay the bonds issued for the Lilly judgment shall be collected or not. The majority of the people of the county are opposed to the collection of this tax for that purpose. They do not think that the commissioners had the lawful right to place this tax upon them without submitting it to them. They are not convinced that the Lilly judgment was obtained from orders issued for necessary expenses, and surely the judgment was not for necessary expenses at the time of the issuing of these bonds.

That there was something "rotten in Denmark" with those county orders held by Mr. Lilly is significant from the fact that, as stated by Mr. Green, he took a judgment for \$12,000 when he had orders against the county for \$20,000. Would any sane man with \$20,000 worth of orders issued against a county whose taxable property valued at \$1,000,000 submit to a judgment for the amount of \$12,000, when he could have gotten a judgment just as easy for the whole amount? This one fact bears out the fact that these orders were issued extravagantly and that Mr. Lilly paid very little for them. A discount of forty per cent. for a judgment for claims that were made in proper and regular channels is something unheard of before by a money broker; if the cash had been paid in hand to him then it would look a little reasonable.

What is done must be done quickly. We learn that the money can be readily raised to test the matter, if some one will take the matter in charge and start the suit. Some tax-payer of the county who is pretty well acquainted with the financial affairs of the county at the time this debt was being made should take the matter in charge. Some able counsel will need be employed, and we have them in the county, who will give instructions as to the manner of procedure. Then a bond for the maintenance of the suit will be required. All of these things can be readily done if some one will take the initiative and start the ball in motion. Who will do it? Will anybody start, or will we sit idly by and allow the tax to be collected?

This special tax will amount to near \$3,000 this year. If we can't prohibit the collection we can prohibit any part of it from being used to pay any interest or part of the bonds issued for the Lilly judgment. Mr. Green says that he had heard of no opposition to the bond issue until he saw it in THE UNION. He certainly has not talked with many of the people or they talk different to him than to us. The people of the county are strongly against this issue of bonds and they are standing by THE UNION in this fight.

We would like for Mr. Green to give us the amount of floating debt, outstanding scrip, up to the first of last December. He and the other fusion candidates stated in the campaign that it would amount to about \$6,000. The people would like to know how much has been found.

[Since the above was written and in type we learn that Sheriff Pope has not yet got the tax books, not having given his bond, and not having a clear receipt for the State taxes for 1896. The board of commissioners have given him until the 23rd of this month to file his bond and take the books. The Sheriff we learn tendered his resignation at the meeting of the board Saturday but afterward re-considered his action. He has advertised with the hope of being able to receive the books on the day stated above.]

Bicycle Thief Captured.

The thief that stole Mr. J. L. Hall's bicycle while he was at supper last Tuesday evening was captured at Fayetteville Wednesday afternoon. He was a young black negro tramp and was trying to sell the wheel for \$6.50. Magistrate W. T. McKay heard him offering to sell the wheel and suspected that it was a stolen one and had him arrested but he defied the officers and tried to escape. He drew a pistol and shot a dog and fired at the officers once and attempted to shoot again when the officer knocked his arm down and he shot himself in the left thigh. After he was captured the police received a telegram from here stating that a wheel had been stolen and to be on the lookout. The wheel answered the description and a Mr. Sedberry identified the wheel as one he had sold to Mr. Hall. Mr. Hall went down Thursday afternoon and identified the wheel and brought the negro up here Friday morning and he had a preliminary hearing before Mayor Godwin and was ordered to jail in default of bail. He gave his name as John Calhoun and said he was from Petersburg, Va. He was right badly wounded in the left thigh and was complaining right much with the wound while in prison here. The Sheriff thought it best to take him to Fayetteville jail and was keeping him here until he could see the commissioners Saturday. Saturday night he was released, as stated in another column, and the bird has flown. He is probably in hiding not far from here as it is thought he was too badly wounded to travel much.

Purvis Respited.

Governor Russell last Friday granted a respite, of the sentence of death on October 13th, to Ed Purvis until Wednesday November 17th 1897. The Governor gave the respite on the ground of the physical condition of the prisoner, which was very precarious at the time the petitions for pardon were signed but we learn that he is gaining strength rapidly and will be in splendid condition for a hanging on the 17th of November. Mr. J. C. Clifford went to see the Governor in the prisoner's behalf Saturday before he learned of the granting of the respite and Monday afternoon he went to Fayetteville to see the prisoner. He says Purvis is very happy of the respite and is of good cheer apparently not realizing the situation.

We learn also that the county commissioners at a meeting held Saturday decided to have the hanging public at Lillington. He will probably, and the probabilities are almost certain, be hanged on November 17th.

Confusion as to the choice of a blood purifier is unnecessary. There is but one best Sarsaparilla, and that is Ayer's. This important fact was recognized at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893, being the only blood-purifier admitted to be placed on exhibition.

Carload of Hay Burned.

Saturday afternoon about half past three o'clock a north-bound freight train pulled in here with a box car loaded with hay on fire. The fire was discovered some three miles south of here and when the train reached here the hay was burning rapidly inside the car. The car was switched off on the pass switch and thrown off the track by an engine of another section of the train and turned over in the ditch and left to burn up. It fell just under the telegraph wires which were all burned in two except two. Very little damage was done to the track and the trains were delayed only a few minutes. The fire was supposed to have originated from the wheels which had worn a hole in the bottom of the car.

To remove the constipated habit, the only safe treatment is a course of Ayer's Pills, followed by a laxative diet. Most other cathartics do more harm than good, therefore leading physicians recommend Ayer's Pills, especially as a family physic.

Masonic Funeral.

The funeral of the late Rev. William Byrd will be preached next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. R. C. Jackson at Pleasant Plains church in this county. The funeral will be held under the auspices of Palmyra Lodge, No. 84, A. F. & A. M., of this place. All the neighboring Lodges have been invited to attend with full regalia and participate in the funeral ceremonies. A large concourse of people are expected to attend.

Hanged Herself to the Loom.

Last Thursday afternoon Mrs. Lockerman, wife of Mr. William Lockerman, who lives on Rev. Robt. Jackson's farm in Sampson county near Hawley's Store, committed suicide by hanging herself by the neck to a weaver's loom. She was about 45 years of age, and leaves a husband and two children.

Dr. Denning, who was attending her and had visited her that day, says that she was suffering with some form of mental derangement, probably mental aberration or monomania. She had suffered with these attacks before, but had not shown suicidal tendencies. The first signs of this last attack of mental trouble were apparent on Sunday, and after this time she was unable to sleep any at all, and ended her life by hanging herself with a rope tied to the top bar of the loom.

She was a devoted Christian, and believed in the highest Christian experience.

Don't Charge.

For writing deeds and mortgages. If you do you are practicing law and are subject to be taxed five dollars. We find that the "book of iniquities" for 1897 prohibits anyone, even justices of the peace, from drawing deeds, mortgages, etc., and making a charge for the same. The Revenue Act, Chapter 168, laws of 1897, reads:

"Section 36. On each and every practicing lawyer, practicing physician and dentist, the sum of five dollars and one-half of one per centum on gross receipts from his profession over and above one thousand dollars: PROVIDED, that no city, town or county shall levy any additional tax on lawyers, physicians and dentists: PROVIDED, that any and all persons who shall write deeds, mortgages, conveyances or other legal instruments for a pecuniary consideration, shall be deemed as practicing law, and subject to the tax imposed by this section."

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* is on every wrapper.

Sunday School Institute.

POE'S, Oct. 8, 1897.
DEAR UNION:
Rev. B. W. Spillman, Sunday School Missionary of the Baptist State Convention, will hold a Sunday School Institute at Friendship Church on Sunday, October 17th. It is earnestly desired that as many friends as possible, regardless of denomination, shall avail themselves of his help. He will give four Sundays to the Little River Association. J. A. CAMPBELL.

Whiskers that are prematurely gray or faded should be colored to prevent the look of age, and Buckingham's Dye excels all others in coloring brown or black.

Six Sick in One House.

Our town has been remarkably healthy this summer—only one or two cases of fever of any duration having been reported. Dr. Harper informed us yesterday that there are five cases of Malarial fever in the family of Sallie Murchison, colored, who lives in the northern edge of town. Six of the family—four grown and two children—have been sick with it but the first one has recovered. Five of them are now confined to their beds. The Dr. thinks that it is due to the water they drink.

Scott's Emulsion

of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites, can be taken as easily in summer as in winter. Unlike the plain oil it is palatable, and the hypophosphites that are in it aid in digestion and at the same time tone up the system.

For sickly, delicate children, and for those whose lungs are affected, it is a mistake to leave it off in the summer months. The dose may be reduced if necessary.

We recommend the small size especially for summer use, and for children, where a smaller dose is required. It should be kept in a cool place after it is once opened.

For sale by all druggists at 50c and 75c

Buie's Creek Academy

The enrollment of new pupils grows larger nearly every day. Five new students came in last week. We have already pupils from nineteen counties and two states. The management expect the largest attendance this session than ever before. There are now eighty boarding pupils in attendance.

We learn that Prof. Holloway, who was our able and efficient assistant last year, will teach at Bradley's Store.

Miss Carrie Wellons, of Four Oaks, spent a few days here with her brother, Capt. C. H. Wellons, last week.

Misses Byrd, of Little River Academy, are spending a few days here with Mrs. Pearson.

Mr. W. C. Bell, of Sampson, will leave school in few days for Chapel Hill where he will take a course in law.

Prof. Woodall has purchased a wheel. He spent Saturday in Benson.

Mr. F. S. Cullum, of Halifax, is spending a few days in Sampson with friends.

The funeral of Rev. Wm. Byrd will be preached Sunday at Pleasant Plains. The ceremonies will be conducted by the Masonic order. ST. JOHN.

Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is a perfect Malarial Liver Tonic and blood purifier. Removes Bilelessness without purging. As pleasant as Lemon Syrup. It is as large as any Dollar tonic and retails for 50c. To get the GENUINE ask for Grove's. For sale and guarantee by Hood & Grantham, Dunn, N. C.

THE Secretary of State, Dr. Cyrus Thompson, is endeavoring to get possession of a copy of one of the thirteen original articles of the twelve amendments to the constitution of the United States, which was taken from the Capitol at Raleigh during the war by a Federal soldier. The copy in question is in the possession of a Mr. Charles A. Shotwell, of Indianapolis, Indiana, who says he bought it from a Union soldier who took it from our State Capitol as a souvenir of the war when Sherman's army passed through Raleigh. Mr. Thompson has written to the Secretary of State of Indiana and to the editor of the Indianapolis News, through whose columns the lost paper was found, but Mr. Shotwell refuses to give it back. Of course the paper is worth but little to the State, but it would be commendable in Mr. Shotwell to return it.

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HIGHEST CASH prices paid for

CHICKENS AND EGGS

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And we also sell anything in our line at LOWEST CASH PRICES

If you have anything to sell, or anything to buy in the way of

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Notions, Hats, Shoes, Groceries, Crockery, Tinware, Glassware, Wood and Willow-ware, Hardware, &c., &c.

We will make it to your interest to call on us.

Yours truly, S. G. MARKS & CO

DUNN MARKET. CORRECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY.

Sugar	5 1/2 to 6 1/2c
Flour	10 to 20c
Flour, per Bbl	\$5.00 @ \$5.50
Bulk Meat	7 to 8c
N. C Meat	8 to 10c
Lard	10 to 12c
Corn	55 to 60c
Fodder	50c
Eggs	10 to 12 1/2c
Chickens	12 1/2 @ 20c
Butter	15 to 20c
Beeswax	18 to 20c
Hides, dry flint, per lb	2 1/2 @ 3 1/2
" green	2 1/2 @ 3 1/2
Shingles, per M	\$1.50 @ \$1.75

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

AT Same Old stand.

I am still located at the same old stand and have in stock a choice selection of

HEAVY AND FANCY GROCERIES

—AND—

Family Supplies.

It is too tedious to mention all the good things I keep but when you want anything that is kept in a FIRST-CLASS GROCERY STORE call on me, I have what you want.

I have also connected with my Grocery Store an

OYSTER SALOON

and can furnish Oysters in any style you desire. Your orders will have prompt attention when left at my store.

Yours truly
D. Mc. BROWN,
Dunn, N. C.

BICYCLES-BICYCLES.

The time has been when "gal" would cuss his "gal" if he caught her on a Bike. And those bloomers the girls wore The mothers didn't like. But now those foggy notions Have mostly come to blight. And all quart wheels a boom to health. Wealth and appetite.

O yes, I am in the Bicycle Business all over and I can sell you a beautiful wheel fully guaranteed, with a guarantee that guarantees, on easy terms, just what you want, requiring only a small amount cash. A wheel to equal this would cost you from \$10.00 to \$25.00 more than I charge, even in the northern markets.

See me before you buy. My wheels give entire satisfaction.

Yours for a Cycle Chat,
W. B. AUSTIN.

EYE SIGHT IS PRECIOUS,

Therefore don't fail to buy Glasses as soon as you need them and do not use such as do not suit your eyes. We carry a well selected

Stock of Spectacles, ranging in prices from the cheapest at Ten Cents to the Best with GOLD FRAMES At Six Dollars Per Pair.

If you need a pair please see us before you buy. We carry in stock Watches, Clocks, Jewelry. Also the best

SEWING MACHINES,

Improved, which we sell on easy terms. We make Specialty of Plain Gold Wedding Rings. We can come as near satisfying you as any one can on anything of the above goods, both in prices and styles.

Repairing of all kinds correctly done at reasonable rates. Give us your patronage and we will do all we can to please you in goods, work and prices.

ATISFACTION GUARANTEED

GAINEY & JORDAN,
DUNN, N. C. aug 18.

NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE!

By virtue of three certain executions in my hands for collection in favor of L. J. Best against H. A. Hodges, two of which are Nos. 478 and 518 as shown by the Judgment Docket of Harnett county and one other execution No. 555 as shown by the Judgment Docket of Johnston county, I will on Monday Nov. 1st, 1897, at the Court House Door in Lillington, N. C., at 12-30 o'clock P. M., sell at public sale to the highest bidder for cash all the estate, right, title and interest of H. A. Hodges in a certain tract of land in and near the town of Dunn in said county, known as the J. C. Surles land, containing 700 acres, more or less. For full description see deed of Daniel Stewart, Commissioner to H. A. Hodges, recorded in Register's office of Harnett county. At the same time and place, I will also sell the life estate of said H. A. Hodges in the Matilda Hodges land in and near the town of Dunn, containing 25 acres, more or less. This Oct. 1st, 1897. J. H. POPE, Sheriff Harnett County.

MORTGAGE SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by C. L. Sorrell to Rafor Lucas, dated Dec. 18th 1895 and registered in Book No. 2, pages 579 and 580, Records of Harnett county, we will sell at public sale for cash at the Court House door in Lillington on the 16th day of Oct. 1897, at 12 o'clock M., a certain tract of land in Avera-boro and Grove townships, Harnett county, North Carolina, bounded as follows: On the west by the lands of W. R. Sorrell, on the east by the lands of Marshal Ennis and Willie Ennis, on the south by the lands of Eliza Riles, on the west by the lands of L. F. Turlington, containing one hundred and sixty-six acres more or less, being the place on which C. L. Sorrell now lives. This Oct. 12th 1897.

J. W. & J. U. LUCAS, Administrators of Rafor Lucas, deceased.
B. L. GODWIN, Atty.

NEW - GOODS.

I wish to call the attention of my friends and customers to the fact that I have just received my

FALL STOCK

and would be glad to have you call and examine them.

My stock of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Shoes is complete. DRESS GOODS, LATEST STYLES.

CLOTHING, MEN AND BOYS' SUITS,

75 Cents to \$15.00.

Hats, the latest styles.

Men, Ladies' and Children's Underwear, Woolen and Cotton. Headquarters for neckwear, collars, cuffs &c.

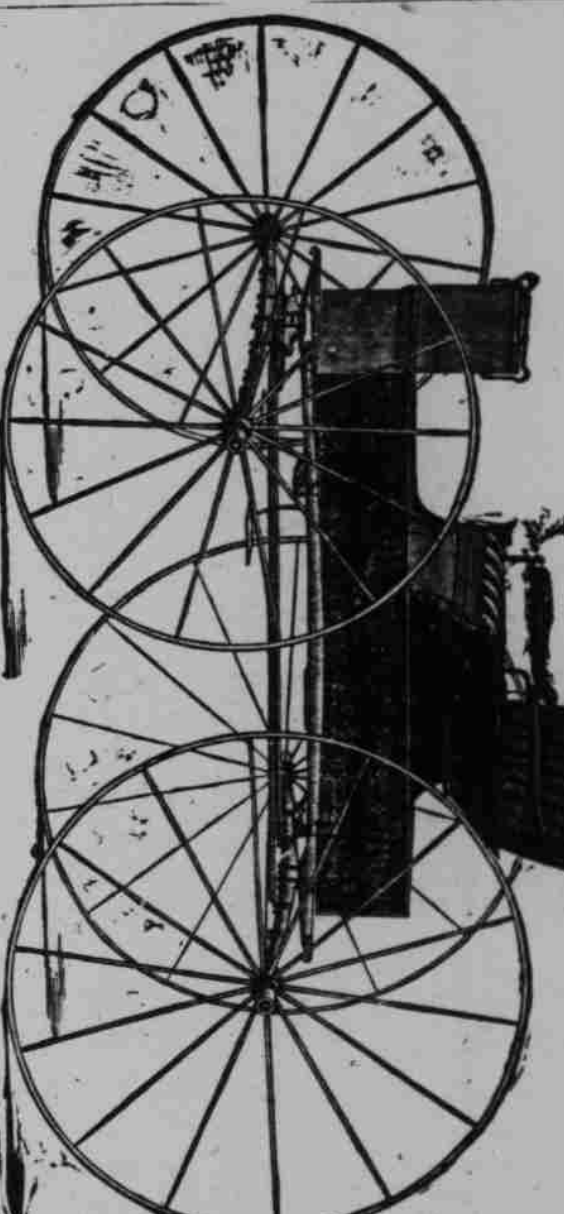
CLOVES AND HOSIERY.

Suspenders, Shirts, Trunks, Crockery, Tin and Glassware, Tobacco, Snuff, Sugar, Coffee &c. In fact everything kept in a General Merchandise Store, at prices to meet the demands of the hard times.

Thanking you for past favors and solicit your patronage in the future. Come early before goods are picked.

Yours to please,
J. J. DUPREE.

W. D. THORNTON'S SHOPS ARE HEADQUARTERS.



My Shops are Headquarters this season for Home-made and Northern Buggies. The best quality of material is used in these buggies, and for light running they cannot be excelled. See me before you buy. Repairing done on short notice.

W. D. THORNTON.

MRS. H. M. ANDERSON, has just received and opened an ALL-ROUND-UP-TO-DATE stock of the latest designs in Fall Millinery Goods.

I visited the Northern markets and selected my stock in person and bought at prices that enables me to sell very cheap.

Trimmed Hats 50c.

Ladies' ready make skirts, \$1.25

Nice Capes for 1.25.

Beautiful Line of Dress Trimmings, Velvets, Silks, Braids &c.

I have with me Miss Foy Barnes, an experienced milliner who will be pleased to wait on you. Our store is in the Culbreth building formerly occupied by Mr. R. G. Taylor.

CYCLONE CLOTHING STORE.

Yes, it is actually so, about those prices at the CYCLONE CLOTHING STORE. I have been and seen for myself, it just beats all.

I bought a pair of Socks for only 3 cents.

A Handkerchief for 1 cent. A pair Suspenders for 9 cents.

A Good Shirt for 15 cents. A Good Undershirt for 14 cents.

A pair of Men's Over-shoes for 31 cents. A Regular \$1 00 Hat for 49 cents

A beautiful Tie for 17 cents. A nice Rubber Coat at my own price and

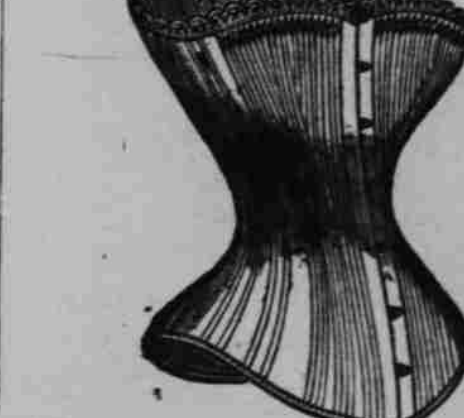
CLOTHING, CLOTHING, New and Second-Hand.

Well, you know how Mr. Austin is about selling, and you can just get a Beautiful suit at your own price. He bought them and is going to sell them. Then he has Shoes, which "Sal" says beats anything he ever saw for the money. I am going back there Saturday and take another dose.

THE CYCLONE CLOTHING STORE is a good tonic for 6 cent colton. Look for this sign when you go to Dunn.

W. B. AUSTIN, Proprietor.

F.C.Co.



LADIES—Don't fail to examine the perfect-fitting "Featherbone" Corsets, the best and cheapest on the market. All styles of these goods at R. G. Taylor's, Dunn, N. C.

TAX NOTICE.

The tax books for the town of Dunn for the year 1897 having been placed in my hands for collection, I insist on all tax payers to make prompt settlement of their taxes. We do not want people to put us off simply because they are responsible. The books are about one month later than usual and makes it necessary for us to collect at once. Cost will be added after Dec. 1st.

G. F. SNEAD, Tax Collector.