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NO MORE FROM CHAIRMAN GREEN.

Last week we asked Chairman Green a few questions and he informs us that he does not write any more for THE UNION. We have thought for some time that Chairman Green was getting tired writing for THE UNION and now when he we have got him where his answers would make "mighty interesting reading" he drops the feather and says he is done, and like Joe Jones says "no more from your friend till death."

If the questions were impertinent we did not mean them as such. We asked them so that Chairman Green might relieve us of any false impression as to his attitude on the payment of the county's indebtedness in the past. We know nothing personally for we have only been in the county a short time, but we have heard life-long citizens of the county say that they were under the impression that the attitude of Chairman Green, in regard to the Lilly debt was not always as it is now. It was to give him a chance to relieve the people of these impressions that we asked the questions. He tells us that he has "always been on one side of this question." If he has it would not have taken him but a few minutes to have answered the questions and why should he refuse? He could have been on one side one time and on the other side at another time and "always have been on one side the question."

We fear that Chairman Green's slumbers have been troubled with dreams of bonds; the county on a cash basis; a fine brick court house; large suspension bridges across Cape Fear river; the people paying a special tax every year and singing praises to John A. Green, the great benefactor and financier of Harnett county.

But his dreams have been frustrated by THE UNION's exposure of the bond issue and his utopian dreams have vanished and now comes dreams of Wall Street Money brokers gnashing their teeth and cursing him for an issue of bonds which they paid 90 cents in the dollar for and the Supreme court has declared them invalid, because he and the other two commissioners issued them with utter disregard of the Constitution of the State. All that his first dreams realized have vanished but a court house, which the people need and are perfectly willing to be taxed for the same.

THE UNION will ever be on the side of the people and for their interests and will take the right to criticize the act of any public official or officials when such act or acts in its opinion is not for the best interests of the whole people.

Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, mother of the President, died at her home in Canton, Ohio, Sunday morning at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. McKinley was stricken with paralysis on December 2nd and never recovered. She was 88 years of age. The President and all her living children were at the bedside when she died. She was the mother of nine children, four of whom survive her. The funeral was held Tuesday from the First Methodist church of Canton and the interment made in West Lawn cemetery. Immediately after the funeral President McKinley and party will leave for Washington.

GERMANY forced Hayti to its demands and is now working the same racket on China. She has sent her warships and taken possession of Kiao Chou Bay and intends to permanently hold it. The idea has gone forth that this is the beginning of the European nations to destroy the Chinese domain and divide it between them.

SUIT AGAINST THE SPECIAL TAX.

The committee appointed to collect funds to defeat the special tax and test the validity of the \$18000 worth of bonds issued by the board of county commissioners to pay the Lilly judgment and other indebtedness of the county of Harnett prior to December 1st 1896, met at Lillington last Saturday. Three townships were not represented from some cause, but the committee reported enough money collected to start the suit and a temporary restraining order against the Sheriff and the commissioners will be asked for this week, and notice served on them to show cause why it should not be made permanent.

Messrs. Pou and Pou, of Smithfield, and Messrs. D. H. McLean and J. C. Clifford, of Dunn, have been retained to prosecute the suit. These gentlemen have rare legal ability and they are of the firm opinion that the bonds were issued without warrant of law and that the supreme court will so declare when the question comes before it. Of course there is a risk to run as the courts may decide against us and declare that the bonds were issued lawfully and that the tax must be collected and applied as directed by the commissioners, but from former decisions of the supreme court of the State, our attorneys feel confident of winning the suit for the people of the county.

This is the people's fight; fighting for their rights guaranteed to them by the Constitution of the State, which is the supreme law; and all the people who feel that those in power should respect the Constitution should contribute to this cause. It affects every tax-payer in the county and all who desire to defeat this special tax and have not contributed anything can send their contribution direct to us and it will be deposited in the bank to the credit of the committee. Send in your contributions and let's stop the collection of this special tax.

The committee meets again on Tuesday after Christmas to make a final report and all the funds must be raised by that time, so we trust every one who wishes that we may win the suit will see the committeeman for their township and pay over to him whatever amount he is willing to contribute, so that we may begin with money sufficient to prosecute the suit.

Suit Against Sheriff Pope.

The News & Observer of last Thursday contained the following items:

"That Sheriff Ellington, of Johnston county, is always the first sheriff to settle his taxes with the State goes without saying. But the second place is not always so certain. This year it falls to Sheriff Jenkins, of Chatham. He yesterday paid into the State Treasury \$7,615, in full and complete settlement of his taxes for 1897.

"Sheriff Jenkins claims the honor of being the first to settle in full as one item, that of indigent pupils, was omitted on Sheriff Ellington's report. This, however, was caused by failure of the school authorities to make a proper report.

"The State Treasurer has entered suit against the sheriffs of Ashe and Harnett counties to secure payment of balance of taxes for 1896. Ashe county owes \$466, and Harnett, \$320."

As to the last item we do not know how accurate it is but we deem it true or the News & Observer would not have printed it. Sheriff Pope is out of town and we cannot see him to find if it be true. If he has allowed the State Treasurer to bring suit against him for \$320 it is simply his own negligence. Here we see the sheriffs of two small counties sued for taxes due for 1896 and the sheriffs of two of the largest counties of the State settling their State taxes in full as soon as they are due. In most instances the sheriffs are blamed because they fail to collect the taxes, and they are to blame to some extent, but the people are to blame to a greater extent for they know that taxes must be paid and if they would pay them when due the sheriffs could settle them when they are due.

December 24th will be a big day at the Dunn Hardware and Furniture Co's store. They are going to sell goods cheap and at 2 o'clock the Pumpkin will be cut and some one will get the \$10.00 Buggy Robe.

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Thirty Days in Jail

Is the sentence of the Judge on Archie DeKeyser, who was convicted in the Federal Court at Raleigh last week on the charge of retailing liquor without license.

Archie is an old colored man and has lived here in Dunn for several years. He conducted a blind tiger here after the town was voted dry last Spring and as a consequence he is now in jail. Verily the way of the transgressor is hard.

Don't wait too late to guess on the Pumpkin for you only have to spend or pay a \$1 on account to get a guess. Dunn Hardware and Furniture Co.

Buy your Flavoring Extracts, Dates, Gelatine etc. from Lane & Co.

Rev. D. B. Parker

Will be pastor of the Methodist church here this year. Rev. L. M. Chaffin's congregations did not wish to give him up and the following paragraph from the Fayetteville Observer explains itself:

"Rev. F. A. Bishop, the new presiding elder of this district, hands us the following changes in the appointments of the preachers on the Fayetteville district: Rev. L. M. Chaffin remains on Cumberland circuit; Rev. E. C. Sell is appointed to Sampson circuit, and Rev. D. B. Parker goes to Dunn circuit."

Special bargains will be offered on cook stoves, furniture and anything you need for the next 10 days. Dunn Hardware and Furniture Co.

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To have a Merry, Satisfactory and Money-Saving Christmas make your Holiday Purchases of Hood & Grantham.

Entertainment at Glenwood.

The public is respectfully invited to attend an entertainment given by the students of Glenwood High School at the academy on Thursday evening, December 23rd 1897, commencing at 6:30 o'clock.

The exercises will consist of a debate, declamations, recitations, dialogues and tableaux. The query for discussion is: "Should the public schools of North Carolina be abolished."

The affirmative will be represented by Messrs. R. H. Hudson and G. W. Westbrook; the negative by Messrs. W. V. Blackman and L. Gilbert.

Let everybody come. M. BLACKMAN, Principal.

On Dry Goods Shoes, Hats, Caps, etc. we can save you money. Lane & Co.

Bicycle Tournament.

A bicycle tournament will be one of the attractions during the holidays in our burg. It will be given by the Dunn Bicycle Club on Monday December 27th from 1 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Prizes will be given to the most successful riders. Any person wishing to contest can do so by conforming to the rules of the club. The track is already prepared and in order. After the tournament an entertainment will be given at Hotel Divine where the successful "knights of the wheel" will crown some fair maidens "queens of the evening." A large crowd is expected and a gay time in the old town.

Remember we give you a guess on the Pumpkin for every dollar you pay on account before 2 o'clock on December 24th. Dunn Hardware and Furniture Co.

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COMMENCING THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11TH,

-AND CLOSING-

DECEMBER 24TH, 1897.

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This is an opportunity of a life time. My stock is the largest, newest and best selected ever shown in Harnett County. These prices will make many hearts glad and you had better come and make your purchase at once. Choice styles will of course go rapidly. The same price to every customer. No goods will be charged at cost.

Remember the place, R. G. TAYLOR.

The Atlantic Coast Line will sell round trip tickets during the holidays for four cents per mile to any points on its line. Tickets will be on sale December 22 to 25 inclusive, and December 30th to January 1st inclusive. Tickets good to return until January 4th 1898.

Come and see us before you purchase Christmas Goods. Hood & Grantham.

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A young white man barely out of his teens named J. M. Trulove from this county was convicted of working at an illicit distillery in the Federal Court at Raleigh last week and sentenced to thirty days in jail. He is now in jail at Smithfield serving his sentence. A. L. Sorrell, another young man from this county was tried and acquitted of a charge of retailing without license. M. R. Smith who was a witness against him before the commissioner here and swore that he bought liquor from him, swore before the court that he had never bought any from him. The Solicitor read his testimony before the commissioner and the Judge ordered him in custody for false swearing. He was released on his own recognizance to appear next morning and he failed to turn up.

It is said that a great fusion movement is on hand between the Republicans and Populists whereby all factions in these two parties will be brought together and the State captured again by them next year. Senator Pritchard is to retire from the Senate and be appointed District Judge in Judge Dick's place. Marshal Mott is to go to the Senate and then be made Governor, while Governor Russell is to be elected to the Senate; Harry Skinner is to name the attorney for this district, provided he will name Spier Whitaker, leaving Cook, Bernard and Spears out in the cold. A nice arrangement this would be if it would work, but will it work? The future will tell.

A bill has passed the U. S. Senate appropriating \$125,000 for a public building at Durham, N. C.

Lillington Notes.

Miss Florence Register, of Clinton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. J. Parker.

Messrs. W. H. Young and J. A. Rodgers attended the Baptist Convention at Oxford last week.

Mr. A. F. Johnson is in Raleigh on business this week.

A pleasant social entertainment was given Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. R. M. Morgan complimentary to Miss Florence Register.

We learn that work on the new court house will be suspended until the validity of the bonds issued shall have been settled by the courts. Messrs. May and Kivett, the contractors, have burnt quite a number of brick for it.

Prof. William R. Brooks of the Smith Observatory, at Geneva, N. Y., has discovered a great group of sun spots near the center of the sun's disc. He says that the spots can be plainly seen with the naked eye by the use of a smoked glass. He says that this group of spots is 500,000 miles in length.

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DUNN MARKET. CORRECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY.

Sugar	5 1/2 to 6 1/4
Coffee	10 to 20c.
Flour, per Bbl	\$5.00 @ \$5.50
Bulk Meat	7 to 8c.
N. C. Meat	8 to 10c.
Lard	9 to 10c.
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	7 1/2
" green	24 @ 3 1/2
Shingles, per M	\$1.50 @ \$1.75

EXECUTORS SALE OF LAND.

On Saturday the 15th of Jan. 1898 at 12 M. at H. L. Price's Store, we will sell to the highest bidder 36 1/2 acres of land belonging to the estate of J. G. Brown, deceased. This is the land bargained by Mr. Brown to W. B. Jones. Terms of sale one-half cash, balance on 12 months time. We sell this land under instructions of the will and can make good title, and give immediate possession.

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N. T. Johnson, of J. G. Brown.

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H. C. McLEAN,
DUNCAN A. McLEAN,
Executors of Flora J. Campbell, Dec'd.