

THE COUNTY UNION.

DUNN, Harnett County, N. C.

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Six Months.....50 Cents.
One Year.....\$1.00.

Sent by Mail. Payable in advance.

DUNN, N. C., JANUARY 5, 1898.

BE NOT DISMAYED.

Judge Robinson decided the special tax case against the people, and dissolved the injunction restraining the commissioners from collecting and paying over special taxes to the bond holders. We could hardly have expected otherwise from a Circuit Judge. Our hope has been, and is now, in the learning and integrity of our Supreme Court. They are mostly Republicans but in several recent cases have shown a commendable disposition to administer the Constitution of the State as it is written, and not in the interest of capitalists who rudely trample upon Constitutions and laws, when they interpose themselves between the rights of the people and the inexorable mandates of money.

We are satisfied now, as we have been from the first, that unless our Supreme Court reverses several of its late decisions that the people of Harnett will win in their fight for relief against burdensome and unnecessary taxation. But whether they do or not they will have the satisfaction of knowing that they made a noble defense against oppression, and if they are made to at last submit to wrong, it will be without dishonor to themselves.

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again,
The eternal years of God are hers,
While error wounded writhes in pain
And dies amidst her votaries."

The case is now in the Supreme Court, where it will be decided and ended. It will cost money to contest this matter, and we hope our people will not fail to come forward with their contributions to this cause. See your township committee and pay him what you can. The other side is busy trying to break down the people's cause by circulating all sorts of reports, but the people need not heed them. We will not give up the ship while hope and patriotism remain in the bosom of the people.

A STATEMENT.

I learn that a report is being circulated by Chairman John A. Green that I had made affidavit in the complaint filed before Judge Robinson for an injunction to restrain the sheriff from collecting three fourths of special tax levied for the payment of the bonds and to restrain the county commissioners from paying interest on the same, that I had paid my taxes for the year 1897 except three fourths of the special tax, and that such statement is made with intent to do me injury, and for the information of the people of the county I will make a statement which Chairman Green and his shouting camp followers fail to tell.

It is true that I had no receipt for my taxes at the time, but Sheriff Pope owed me an account for printing and advertising pertaining to his office as sheriff in excess of the whole amount of my taxes. I had failed to balance accounts with the Sheriff before he left on his last round collecting taxes (and since I have been in the county I have paid my taxes each year with printing and advertising done for the Sheriff) it was almost impossible to get a receipt for them when it was necessary to get the affidavit; so I signed the affidavit believing and knowing that my taxes were paid, although I had no receipt from the Sheriff.

After Sheriff Pope came home I went to him and presented my bill, amounting to Ten Dollars, and asked him to date the receipt back to the date of the affidavit but he refused to do so. I

got a receipt for the amount of taxes specified in affidavit. In balancing accounts there was a part of an item for advertising which he said he had never collected and did not feel willing to pay and I allowed that taken off (although I could have held him personally responsible for same) which left me due him twenty-eight cents which I paid in money. This is a statement which Sheriff Pope will not nor can he deny. We ask in conclusion what pays a tax, is it the money or is it the receipt? The receipt as everybody knows is only evidence of payment, and not payment itself. Our enemies are hard pressed when they are driven to the desperate and wicked necessity of telling half the truth, which is worse than an untruth out and out. The man or men who try to deceive the people of Harnett county by any such methods, will find that their curses, like chickens, will come home to roost—even if it be the old "SPECKLED HEN" we have heard so much about.

Now will Chairman Green tell the people the whole truth? If he can tell what day or hour my taxes were paid he may confer a favor on Sheriff Pope. With this statement I leave the matter with the people.

Yours truly,
J. P. PITTMAN.

IMPORANT NOTICE TO SCHOOL COMMITTEEMEN.

Poe's, N. C., Jan. 5, '97. To THE SCHOOL COMMITTEEMEN OF HARNETT CO.:

The Board of Education of Harnett county has apportioned \$1.00 per capita to the township which will give Anderson's Creek township, \$393.

Averasboro township \$927.
Barbecue township \$397.
Black River township \$320.
Buck Horn township \$425.
Grove township \$77.
Hector's Creek township \$32.
Johnsonville township \$311.
Lifton township \$307.
Neills' Creek township \$364.
Stewart's Creek township \$595.
Upper L. River township \$778.

Meet on Monday, January 10th, and apportion the above amount for the schools in your township so as to equalize the school terms as required by law.

We shall now discontinue the use of the old numbers of the districts and number them 1, 2, 3 etc. white or colored, of township.

Notify Treasurer Geo. D. Spense, Bradley's Store, N. C., at one of the numbers of your district and how much money apportioned to each. He cannot pay any order until he gets this statement. By all means do not sign any order for more money than is due that district.

By to-day's mail I send notice of amount due each district in your township from the old fund. If you do not understand how to keep the accounts in record book provided you, I shall be glad to help you at any time.

In accordance with the law and under the direction of the Board of Education, I shall now begin visiting the schools. If at any time I can serve you or the interests of the public schools by visiting, by advice or otherwise, kindly let me hear from you.

Yours truly,
J. A. CAMPBELL,
Supervisor Public Schools.

Wasting in Children

can be overcome in almost all cases by the use of Scott's Emulsion of Cod-Liver Oil and the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. While it is a scientific fact that cod-liver oil is the most digestible oil in existence,

SCOTT'S EMULSION

it is not only palatable, but it is already digested and made ready for immediate absorption by the system. It is also combined with the hypophosphites, which supply a food not only for the tissues of the body, but for the bones and nerves, and will build up the child when its ordinary food does not supply proper nourishment.

Be sure you get SCOTT'S EMULSION. See that the fish and sun are on the wrapper. All druggists; 50c. and \$1.00. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Negro Killed at Spout Springs.

On Thursday evening December 23rd, at Britton & Johnson's saw mill near Spout Springs this county, Thomas Dobbin, a young negro man, struck Hugh Ray, another young negro man, on the head with a piece of scantling and killed him.

Thursday night Coroner J. J. Wilson received a telegram from Britton & Johnson that a murder had been committed and for him to go and hold an inquest. He left early Friday morning and held the inquest that afternoon. The jury rendered a verdict that Hugh Ray came to his death from the blow on the head inflicted by Thomas Dobbin.

The evidence produced before the Coroner's inquest was about as follows: The two men were at work loading a truck with lumber; Dobbin began cursing Ray and continued to do so; Ray protested against the abuse; Ray started to leave the truck when Dobbin followed him cursing; Ray drew his knife and told Dobbin if he came on him he would cut him; Dobbin picked up a piece of scantling and advanced on him and struck Ray on the head with it, fracturing the skull; Ray had his knife in his hand and in falling back the blade stuck in his right leg and severed the main artery; Ray arose and walked a few steps and fell again and died in about two hours.

He never spoke after he was struck. Dobbin was arrested and sent to Fayetteville jail for safe keeping to await trial at the February term of Harnett Superior Court. Dobbin is said to be about 18 years of age and the man he killed was about the same age.

TWO MILLIONS A YEAR.

When people buy, try, and buy again, it means they're satisfied. The people of the United States are now buying Cascarets Candy Cathartic at the rate of two million boxes a year and it will be three million before New Year's. It means merit proved, that Cascarets are the most delightful bowel regulator for everybody the year round. All druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c a box, cure guaranteed.

468 Seed. The Dunn Hardware and Furniture Company's prize pumpkin was cut and the seed counted on December 24th and it was found to contain 468 seed.

The committee selected to count the seed and examine the guesses was Messrs Irene McKay, Marie Setsyser and Lela McNeill, and Messrs M. A. Hooks, F. R. Hall, J. P. Pittman and A. M. Woodall.

The committee found that no one, out of 1755 guesses, guessed the exact number. Five persons came within one number of it—two 469 and three 467. These men were Messrs. E. F. Young, W. C. Jackson, J. W. Thornton, W. S. Strickland and S. C. Neighbors to whom the prize, a \$10.00 buggy robe, was awarded. The robe was sold at auction and was purchased by Mr. E. F. Young for \$7.50 and the amount divided pro rata between five most successful.

This guessing contest was advertised in THE UNION for only about a month, yet during that time parties who read the advertisement in the paper bought from the advertisers \$1755 worth of goods as each guess represented one dollar's sale. Beside those who guessed a large number bought goods that did not guess and those who guessed did not represent only a small extent the amount of this firm's sales during the time.

The moral is: Put your advertisement in THE UNION. It brings good returns as the people read it.

This firm has a new "ad" in this issue. Read it, they are hustling along with the New Year.

BEAUTY IS BLOOD DEEP. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed. 10c, 25c, 50c.

No Cure—No Pay.

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating Tonic. Price, 50c. Sold and guaranteed by Hood & Grantham.

Warranted no cure, no pay. There are many imitations. To get the genuine ask for Grove's—Sold and guaranteed by Hood & Grantham, Dunn, N. C.

The South's Advantage.

"Coolidge," the Washington correspondent of the Journal, follows up his opening letter of yesterday on the Southern cotton mills by another to-day, dated, as the first one was, from Charlotte, N. C., the most important centre of Southern manufacturing.

New England has heard much within the past week or two of these Southern factories. Now it has an opportunity to see them just as they look to a New England observer. It has been a prevalent and perhaps a natural assumption here in the North that the labor in these Southern mill towns was unskilled and inexperienced. Inexperienced it was, doubtless, at the first, but it is so no longer. In point of skill, the Southern hands, it is insisted by those who know them well, compare favorably with the great bulk of Northern operatives. This important fact cannot be emphasized too strongly—the workers in the Southern cotton factories are not negroes, and as a rule they are not European immigrants. They are of the same stock which filled the cotton mills of New England 50 or 60 years ago—that is, they are the children of farmers and mechanics of thoroughgoing, American origin.

"At the same time," as "Coolidge" quotes one of these Charlotte manufacturers, "labor here is 25 and 30 per cent. cheaper than in New England. We have got the advantage of 10 per cent. longer hours. And we have more intelligent labor. They (the New England manufacturers), have got to move here or quit."

It is plain that these Southern manufacturers realize the advantage which they have over their competitors in New England. It is plain that this advantage is just what our own manufacturers have stated. They must reduce their labor cost or "quit." This is the stern condition which confronts them and confronts their operatives.

Is it not easy to see which way lie the best interests of all concerned?—Boston Journal.

A SURE THING FOR YOU.

A transaction in which you cannot lose a sure thing. Biliousness, sick headache, furred tongue, fever, piles and a thousand other ills are caused by constipation and sluggish liver. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the wonderful new liver stimulant and intestinal tonic are by all druggists guaranteed to cure or money refunded. C. C. C. are a sure thing. Try a box to-day; 10c, 25c, 50c. Sample and booklet free. Sold by all druggists.

THE man who after forcing upon his countymen an iniquitous tax purely for the selfish purpose of filling his own coffers at the expense of the people for whose dear sake he has crucified himself upon the cross of a fat office, then circulates a false statement intended to damage the citizen, who dares raise his voice against his tyranny, though his religion may not be of that type calculated to usher in the millennial dawn, yet it must be conceded that he shows a "plentitude of gall of the purest ray serene."

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says, "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from cramp by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Hood & Grantham.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. Hood & Grantham.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. Hood & Grantham.

TO CURE CONSTIPATION FOREVER. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. H. C. C. call to cure druggists refund the money.

BICYCLES AND SUNDRIES.

W. B. AUSTIN

HEADQUARTERS. If you want a Bicycle or Sundries see Austin, or write to-day for complete catalogue. Box 128, Dunn, N. C.

Valuable to Women. Especially valuable to women in Browne's Iron Bitters. Backache, nervousness, headache, weakness, and the slow of healing, readily comes to the pallid cheek when this wonderful remedy is taken. For sickly children or overworked men it has no equal. No home should be without this famous remedy. Browne's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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CLAIMS ALLOWED SEPTEMBER 1897.

Duncan Shaw, registrar 1 68
J S McRae, election returns 1 50
Jas G Johnson, election returns 1 50
M D McLeod, election returns 1 50
S J Gardner, election returns 1 50
J B Dupree, election returns 1 50
Wm Arnold, election returns 1 50
B F Harrington, election returns 1 50
R M Parker, election returns 1 50
R H Smith, election returns 1 50
D E Green, election returns 1 50
J R Grady, election returns 1 50
D Darroch, election returns 1 50
J A Hawley, registrar 1 50
R J Patterson, election returns 1 50
W D Patterson, election returns 1 50
A R Suggs, election returns 1 50
J B Allen, election returns 1 50
J B F Stewart, registrar 1 50
County Union, publishing notices 14 00
J McK Byrd, purchase tax 6 75
J McK Byrd, clerk August 27 45
O J Bradley, bridge 30 00
M R Morgan, jail fees 10 50
M E Wade, chairs for court house 7 20
A Hoan & Co, lithographing bonds 58 00
A M Johnson, shrouding pauper 1 45
Dr. J H Withers, attention to paupers 9 00
J A Bullard, burial pauper 6 31
A L Baughcom, keeping poor 37 35
Out side poor 80 25

CLAIMS ALLOWED OCTOBER 1897.

J McK Byrd, making tax books 275 00
M R Morgan, jail fees 16 80
J McK Byrd, clerk September 35 49
Harrell's Printing House, stationery 11 60
Joshua McLean, ferryman 15 00
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Joshua McLean, ferryman 18 75
W M Bryan, delivering election boxes 9 10
Hood & Grantham, stationery 2 60
A A Waddell, guarding jail 4 00
M J Senter, letting out bridge 1 00
D E Green, letting out bridge 1 00
R H Smith, letting out bridge 1 00
J W Johnson, list taker 9 00
N McLeod, commissioner 10 50
H N Bizzell, commissioner 3 70
Dr. J H Withers, post mortem examination 20 00
Chelly Giles, poor support 2 00
Dr. W M McNeill, attention to pauper 4 25
A L Baughcom, keeping poor 30 57

BILL OF COSTS SEPTEMBER TERM 1897.

State vs Edward Purvis 163 00
State vs Oker Coats 1 05
State vs Fred McLean 5 88
State vs Robt Rowland 4 08
State vs Thed DeKeyser 10 00
State vs L A Ferrall 10 92
State vs David McLean 6 67
State vs Isham Smith 62 55
State vs Clinton McNeill 2 60
State vs Tom Allen F Spears 5 55
State vs Herbert Wilkins 6 60
State vs Frank Jones 9 16
State vs J A Byrd 10 14
State vs Clem Smith 5 54
State vs Neill Spearman 13 12
State vs Simon Seberry 9 59

CLAIMS ALLOWED NOVEMBER 1897.

A L Baughcom, keeping poor 17 80
Dr. C H Sexton, attention to pauper 2 00
A B Godwin, Sr., bridge 42 74
J McK Byrd, clerk October 31 55
J McK Byrd and B F Shaw, indexing 81 86
F M McKay, fees 42 47
Joshua McLean, ferryman 15 00
N McLeod, commissioner 10 50
H N Bizzell, commissioner 11 10

COMMISSIONERS COURT.

J A Green, Chairman, 28 days @ \$2 56 00
N McLeod, 18 days @ \$2 and 540 miles 63 00
H N Bizzell, 18 days @ \$2 and 510 miles 61 50

\$ 180 50
The above is a true statement of the accounts audited and allowed for the Fiscal year ending December 6th 1897.
J. McK. BYRD, Clerk of Board.

NAMES OF DIFFERENT FUNDS:	Tax For 1897.	Orders Allowed for 1896.	Total Amount.
Listed property Tax 1897	\$ 2392.50		\$ 2058.84
Merchant's Purchase Tax 1897	235.50		904.15
Marriage License Tax 1897	137.75		187.67
Total County Fund	\$ 2765.84	\$ 1022.62	\$ 3833.46
Poor Fund Net Tax	819.57	121.35	513.46
Bridge Fund Net Tax	430.85		
Joury Fund Net Tax	480.66		
Total	\$ 4446.92	\$ 1143.97	\$ 5077.43
Balance on hand all Funds.	\$ 4446.92	\$ 1143.97	\$ 5077.43
Net Special Tax 1897			\$2580.02
Court House Bonds and Interest to January 1st, 1898			6360.00
Lilly Debt, Funding Bonds to January 1st, 1898			14310.00
Bonds on Outstanding Indebtedness to January 1st, 1898.			3180.00
Orders Allowed prior to January 1st, 1897, about			1500.00
Total			\$25800.02
Less Special tax 1897			2580.02
Total Indebtedness January 1st, 1898.			\$23220.00

NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE LANDS.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Harnett county N. C. in the special proceeding pending in said court entitled C. S. Barbee and others heirs at law of Clem S. Barbee deceased Ex Parte for partition, I will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Lillington, Harnett County, N. C., on Monday the 7th day of February 1898 at 12 o'clock M. the following described tracts of land to wit:

1st tract. Situated on the East bank of Neill's Creek in Harnett county said State and known as lot No. 2 in the division of the land of C. S. and C. B. Barbee recorded in the Superior Court Clerk's office of Harnett county and registered in the office of the Register of deeds of said county in book H. No. 1 and bounded as follows: Beginning at a Horn Beam and pointers on the East bank of Neill's Creek the dividing corner between lots No. 1 and 2 and runs as the line of lot No. 1 S 88. E 134 chains to a stake and pointers in Wm. Johnson's line thence as his line N. 2. E 41 chains and 50 links to a stake and pointers Darling Jones deceased corner, thence as the Jones line S. 87 W. 56 chains and 75 links to a stake and pointers just below the old spring, thence down the various courses of the spring branch 39 chains to a corner thence N. 5. E. 4 chains to a stake and pointers, thence N. 82 W. 31 chains and 63 links to a stake and pointers, thence N. S. W. 20 chains and 50 links to a corner on Neill's Creek, thence down the various courses of said creek to the beginning containing 505 acres.

2nd tract. Beginning at a small ash on the right bank the third corner of lot No. 3, and runs as that line N. 29. E 53 chains to a stone corner and pointers in the river road the 4th corner of lot No. 3, then as the various courses of said road 23 chains and 80 links to Neill's Creek then down the various courses of said creek to the Cape Fear River, then down the said river 7 chains and 50 links to the beginning containing 73 acres, the same being lot No. 4 in the division of the land of C. S. and C. C. Barbee aforesaid.

E. T. BOYKIN,
Commissioner etc.
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Having fully qualified as the executor of the last will and testament of Wm. Byrd deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same for payment duly verified, on or before the 10th day of January 1898, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment of the same. This Dec. 24th 1897.
R. M. PARKER,
Executor.

JONES & STEWART, ATTYS.

LAND SALE.
By virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage deed executed by M. W. Barefoot, K. E. Barefoot and Zilpha D. Barefoot, dated Jan. 24, 1895 and registered in Book J, No. 2, of the records of Harnett county, I will, on the 7th day of Feb. 1898 at 12 o'clock M. at the Court House in Lillington Harnett county, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described tracts of land situated in Averasboro township, Harnett county and in Black River township, Cumberland county and bounded as follows, to wit:

1st tract. Beginning at a stake in the Duck Pond Branch, and runs thence S. 45. E 13 chains to a stake in the field; thence S. 82. W. 42 chains to a stake in the Hinton Muds line; thence with his line N. 63. W 27 chains to a black gum in the W W Muds line; thence N. 21 chains to a stake in the field; thence N. 35. E 1 chain to a stake; A. J. Part's corner to the beginning S. 83. E 8.25 chains to a dead pine; thence his other line S. 87. E 13 to a stake; A. J. Part's corner, thence about S. 77. E 2.25 chains to the beginning; containing 59 acres more or less.

2nd tract. Beginning at a stake in DeLaney Lee's line and runs with said line S. 85. E 12.05 chains to a stake and red oak; thence S. 5. W 47.60 to a stake in Mingo Warren's line; thence with his line N. 66. W 14.50 chains to a stake in said line; thence N. 5. E 40 chains to the beginning, containing 50 acres more or less. This Jan. 4, 1898.
J. G. LAYTON,
Mortgagee.

By J. C. CLIFFORD, Atty.
Jan. 5-4w.

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.
M. J. Senter } Executors
N. T. Johnson, }
December 6th, 1897.

NOTICE! Having qualified as Executors of Flora J. Campbell, deceased, late of Harnett County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of December, 1898, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 13th day of December, 1897.
H. C. MCLEAN,
DUNCAN A. MCLEAN,
Executors of Flora J. Campbell, Dec'd.

DUNN MARKET.

CORRECTED EVERY WEDNESDAY.
Sugar..... 5 1/2 to 6 1/2
Coffee..... 10 to 20c.
Flour, per Bbl. \$5.00 @ \$5.50
Bulk Meat..... 7 to 8c.
N. C. Meat..... 8 to 10c.
Lard..... to 9c.
Corn..... 55 to 60c
Fodder..... to 50c
Eggs..... 10 to 12c.
Chickens..... 12 1/2 @ 20c
Butter..... 15 to 20c
Beeswax..... 18 to 20c.
Hides, dry flint, per lb..... 7 1/2 @ 3 1/2
Shingles, per M, \$1.50 @ \$1.75