

# THE COUNTY UNION.

DUNN, Harnett County, N. C.

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DUNN, N. C., MARCH 22, 1899.

## Mr. Green Explains.

### COUNTY UNION:—

In your comment of last week in regard to county matters, you say you knew a receipt had been given in full for contract price for Court House, but at same time you knew another contract had been made for extra work done amounting to \$161.00 and this had been presented to former Board of Commissioners for payment. You ask an explanation of this which can very easily be given. In first place there was no such contract made for extra work. Second, there was no such account ever presented to former Board. There was only two contracts made first for main building, second for tower amounting to \$6150.00 which has been paid and receipts taken. At meeting of Board in October last when Court House was received Mr. Kivett, one of the contractors, said he thought there ought to be an extra allowance, they having used a better grade of concrete for floor than was specified in contract, also for penciling building which had been done of their own accord, but there was no account presented to the Board for any amount. In as much as you contend that the county is a year behind and still refuse to publish financial statement as sent you according to law let us look at the record and see how matters stand March 13th 1899. Upon examination of book of settlement in Register's office, we find a balance in favor county fund amounting to \$1646.46, poor fund \$240.14, bridge fund \$176.68, jury fund \$159.57. Total balance, \$2228.85. This appears after a partial settlement made March 7th, 1899, between Sheriff Pope and Board of Commissioners, at this time commissioners cancelled orders taken by Sheriff Pope in payment of taxes or otherwise to that date. It is further shown that the funds of 1898 has paid on expenses of 1899, as allowed by present Board and cancelled in settlement with Sheriff the following amounts: County fund, \$304.00; poor, \$263.00; bridge, \$56.25. Paid by Sheriff on jury fund at last court \$119.25, total \$742.50. So there is this much surplus of 1898 been used in paying expenses of 1899, and balance will appear on final settlement, upon this being done there will be funds in hand to meet expenses of county for some time yet to come. With these facts before us, how can you or any one truthfully say "Harnett county is one year behind."

Respectfully,  
J. A. GREEN,

March 13, 1899.

[Now, Mr. Green, if there were no contract for extra work on Court House, why was it that you virtually, as we are informed, advised the present board of commissioners to pay the claim, or a part of it, presented by May & Kivett, the contractors? Was there not an understanding, or an agreement, between you as chairman of the board of commissioners and the contractors when they gave the receipt in full that their claim for extra work (or work as described above by you) would be paid? Did not the contractors try to get you to bring the matter before your board and settle it before your term of office expired?

As to the amounts named above by you as shown by a partial settlement with Sheriff Pope on March 7th. Do they not mean that Sheriff Pope is still due the county these amounts? and that there is not that amount of money on hand. The present board of commissioners desire and have endeavored to get a settlement of the taxes for 1898 with Sheriff Pope, but lenient man that he is, he has failed to make the collections. There are probably many outstanding orders issued in 1898 by your board that will yet be presented to him for payment of taxes for

1898, and these he cannot refuse to accept, neither those issued by the present board, for county purposes. If all the taxes had been collected and paid into the treasury by January 1st 1899, we doubt not that there would have been a small surplus on hand, but such is not the case. The taxes have not been paid in and there is no funds to meet all orders.

We will publish financial statement for 1898 when the proper authority gives us instruction to do so.—Editor.]

## DUNN, WELL DONE.

### Creditable Showing for a Young and Progressive Community.

Below we give a brief sketch of the town of Dunn, written by the correspondent of the Raleigh Post, from this place, which says:  
"The town of Dunn, located in the extreme southeast corner of Harnett county, less than one mile of the point which makes the corner of four counties, viz: Harnett, Johnston, Sampson and Cumberland, was incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of 1887, with a population of less than 150 souls. One year previous to the incorporation of this town the beautiful plateau upon which Dunn has sprung up, almost as if by magic, was covered with a dense forest of oak and pine trees. To-day the town of Dunn, standing as it does, in the center of a large territory extending from Raleigh to Fayetteville, a distance of eighty miles, and from Clinton to Sanford, a distance of over one hundred miles, is the pride, with her 1,500 inhabitants, of the people of four large and prosperous counties. It would be impossible for your correspondent in giving a brief review of the commercial importance of our city to attempt to describe the abounding resources, natural advantages and fertilities of the rich farming lands surrounding this beautiful city. The achievements in every branch of industry during the last decade, which covers the history of our town since its inception have been marvelous.

Dunn is situated on the center of a beautiful plot of land which is drained almost perfectly for miles around, hence Dunn can boast of a lower death rate than any town for her age and size in North Carolina.

Dunn is located in the center of a large cotton belt. Receipts show that we shipped over 9,000 bales last year. Naval stores are also shipped from this point in great abundance. There is no place in our State compared with the size, whose educational advantages are superior to Dunn. This place boasts of one of the best academic institutions—the Dunn High School—in this section of the State, while Buie's Creek Academy and Commercial College is located a few miles in the country. These institutions offer as fine courses as any of like character in the State.

In speaking of professional men, we might say that Dunn has her share, having five physicians and six lawyers, two of whom were able members and did valuable work in the recent General Assembly; Hon. Dan Hugh McLean, representing Harnett county in the House of Representatives, and Hon. Frank P. Jones, in the Senate, representing the Fourteenth Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Harnett, Sampson and Bladen.

Dunn can boast of a very worthy Democratic newspaper, The County Union, edited by Mr. A. M. Woodall, and owned and managed by Mr. J. P. Pittman. These gentlemen are well known to the people of this section of the State, and they have an enviable reputation for honesty and integrity.

The telephone system here is almost complete, being connected with Durham, Raleigh, Wilson, Goldsboro, Selma and all intermediate points by a long distance telephone company, and with Lillington, the county seat, by a home company.

The soil of the land surrounding Dunn and for many miles in every direction is very fertile and suited to the cultivation of tobacco, consequently our farmers will plant large crops of it this year, which will be placed on the market in Dunn. To provide for this new industry two companies have been formed, comprised of the most influential business men of the

town, whose object is to erect two large warehouses and other necessary buildings and fixtures, which will be for the advantage and convenience of the farmers who market their tobacco here.

Dunn has a very bright manufacturing future. Already there are several establishments in operation here, including foundries, buggy shops, furniture factories, etc.

Located just a few a few miles from the town on the Cape Fear river, is one of the greatest water powers in the State, the falls being forty feet within three miles, sufficient to propel one of the largest cotton mill plants. There is a strong probability of this power being developed in the near future, a charter having been granted by the last legislature looking to that end.

A charter was also obtained for the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank of Dunn. This institution will succeed Young's Banking House, which has been of valuable service to our people for the past two years.

Brick are now being placed on a beautiful lot on Railroad street to erect another bank building, which, it is supposed, will be a branch of the Goldsboro National Bank.

As many as a half dozen dwelling houses are being built here at this time, and our town is visited daily by people prospecting who have an idea of coming here to live. Everybody is looking forward to a bright and prosperous year."

H. L. GODWIN.

[Let us add that the future for Dunn has never been half so bright as at this time. We have plenty room for wide-awake business men—men who are not afraid to invest a dollar—men who know a good thing when they see it. No better opportunities offered anywhere to live, energetic men. We have no room for dead-beats and loafers.—Editor.]

For some time, I have suffered with rheumatism and tried every imaginable remedy, without effect. Mr. F. G. S. Wells advised me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, telling me that it had cured many cases of long standing like mine. I have used four bottles and feel sure that one more bottle will make my cure complete.—A. P. Kozz, Claremore, Ark. Sold by McKay Bros. & Skinner.

### Died After an Operation.

The wife of Mr. George Hartley, who lives four miles from town in Cumberland, died Monday night. She had been in a critical condition for several months. Her system had reversed nature and she had been unable to pass digested food through the proper channel for three weeks, it being vomited up. The efforts of the physicians to get an action on the bowels were futile. Death was staring her in the face, and we learn that she craved to die so great was her sufferings. She had become greatly emaciated and as a last resort for life she consented to an operation to make an opening for the digested food to pass out at her side.

Monday morning Drs. O. L. Denning and F. T. Moore of this place and Dr. Highsmith, of Sampson, met there and performed the operation which was successfully done and the patient was resting well in the afternoon when they left but during the night she went into a second shock and never recovered.

The operation was the first of the kind ever performed through this section, but has been frequently done at the hospitals. An incision was made in the left side and the descending colon brought to the surface and sutured to the tissues of the skin, then the colon was opened and the edges firmly stitched to the skin. In this case when the colon was opened the fecal matter in the bowels flowed out in large quantities. The operation was performed with the loss of but little blood.

The body of Lieut. William E. Shipp, who was killed at the battle of Santiago last July was sent home last week for burial. The body was taken off transport at New York City and brought to Lincolnton, N. C., his home, and interred.

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Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Druggist*

### Equinoctial Storms.

Reports from different points in Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama say that the tornado which swept over those states Saturday killed 18 persons and injured forty-three, and destroyed much property. In Alabama sixteen persons were killed, one in Arkansas and one in Mississippi.

At Edwardville, Ala., the storm struck one house in which a family of fourteen lived. The house was demolished and eleven of the family killed outright and the other three injured.

The first woman to be electrocuted in New York state was electrocuted at Sing Sing Monday. She was Mrs. Martha Place, of Brooklyn, and was executed for the murder of her step-daughter, a small girl, in February, 1898.

## Get Married

AND BE

## Happy.

TWO THINGS NECESSARY.

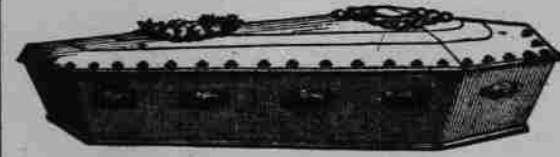
First, find you a sweet, attractive, good tempered little girl, and after you have made it alright with the old folks make your home comfortable and attractive by buying the latest styles and substantial

## FURNITURE,

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## Lee, Allen & Co.

We take this method of announcing to the public that we have bought the entire stock of Furniture belonging to L. H. Kennedy, and will continue the business at the same stand. We will increase the stock considerably and mark prices down as low as the LOWEST. Don't buy until you have seen us.



## CASKETS, BURIAL ROBES & C.

We will add to our stock of Furniture, at an early day, a nice line of Undertaker's Goods, and will be glad to serve those in need of the same.

Yours truly,  
LEE, ALLEN & CO.

### NOTICE TO TOBACCO GROWERS.

We are now preparing to manufacture tobacco flues, and will have a man who thoroughly understands the business. Best material, workmanship and prices guaranteed. Place your orders with us.

The John A. McKay Mfg Co.,  
Dunn, N. C.  
Feb. 1st, 1899.

## Look!

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The battle is yet to fight and you can get your Supplies at the

## Parlor Market.

I will keep them and defy the State on prices. I keep such as

Fresh Beef, Pork,  
Sausage, etc.,

and will be pleased to serve the people.

Try my meat.  
I also keep on hand  
Eggs, Butter, Potatoes &  
Home Made Lard.

In fact almost anything found in an UP-TO-DATE MARKET.

I pay the best market prices for Beef Cattle, Pork etc. See me before you sell.  
Yours to please,

S T. HOLLAND,  
Market on Lucknow Square.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE!**  
The undersigned having qualified as administrator of Moses Tripp, deceased, all persons indebted to the estate are hereby urged to settle the same at once. All persons who have claims against said estate are requested to present the same within 12 months from date of this notice or the statutes will be pleaded in bar of same. This January 25th, 1899.  
C. H. TRIPP, Administrator.  
Jones & Stewart, Attorneys.  
March 1-6-w.

## New Repair SHOPS.

### I have started up a new Repair Shop

in the building known as the

**A. B. GODWIN SHOPS** and am prepared to do all kinds of Repairing on Buggies, Carts and Wagons. I also make Buggies and Carts, using the best of material and employing the most skilled mechanics to do the work. A pleased customer is my best advertisement. I guarantee all of my work and I make prices to suit the times. I also repair Guns and Pistols. James Johnson, son of Rufus Johnson, deceased, who has the best reputation of any mechanic in this country, is with me and invites his friends to call and see him and to give him their work.

I Shoe horses and profess to give better satisfaction generally than any other shop in town. Give me a trial is all I ask.

Most Respectfully,  
J. W. GREGORY.

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### HEAVY AND FANCY GROCERIES

at prices to correspond with the times.

If you want anything good to cook, or anything to cook with, we have it. Do you wish anything to correspond with weak, strong, poor, or good appetite.

### We Have It.

Anything to smoke or chew. We have it. We keep Coffees and Teas also.

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Confectioneries to give away.  
Remember we are no "Cheap John," as we do not handle that class of goods. Only First-Class Goods handled, with full weights and measures Call and see for yourself.

F. P. JONES,  
Dunn, N. C.

## ATTENTION,

### FARMERS.

I wish to call the attention of the tobacco farmers of Johnston, Harnett and adjoining counties to the fact that I am sole agent for the Phelps Patented Tobacco Flues, and can furnish not only this flue but any other kind desired. I manufacture flues and can suit you if you only give me a chance.

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## BICYCLES,

and keep on hand at all times a complete line of Bicycle Sundries. If your wheel gets out of repair bring it to me.

R. F. SMITH,  
BENSON, N. C.

Feb-7-3m.

**EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE.** Having qualified as Executrix of Mrs. E. J. McDaniel, 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 20th day of March, 1900, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 20th day of March 1899.

MRS. M. L. DENNING,  
Executrix,  
Jones & Stewart and L. J. Best,  
Attorneys.

### MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND.

By virtue of a mortgage deed executed to me on the 19th day of October, 1897, by W. A. Lee and Thelma E. Lee, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Harnett county, in Book "O No. 2," pages 213 etc., I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the Court House door in Lillington, Harnett county, N. C., at 12 o'clock M., on Monday, the 17th day of April, 1899, the following described tract of land lying in Harnett county, N. C., Averasboro township, adjoining the lands of Sally Jones, Lamb Wilkins and others, bounded as follows: beginning at high water mark in a branch, Lamb Wilkin's corner, and runs north 72 west 23 chains to head of a ditch; thence with said ditch north 68 west 7.90 chains to a stake; thence north 30 east 8.50 chains to a stake; thence south 72 east 12 chains to a stake, near house; thence south 44 east 18.60 chains to the beginning, containing twenty-five acres more or less. This March 14, 1899.  
HAYWOOD STANLEY,  
3-15-1m-pd. Mortgagee.

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Increase of my business within the last few months

must be because my goods are all nice, new stock and

Prices are so close.

I am daily receiving just such staple goods as the Farmers need in

## HARDWARE.

I have had an experience of ten years in the Hardware and Harness Business and know just what to buy and how to buy and where to buy. And remember to I am

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You can buy more Hardware for a dollar at Lee's New Cash Hardware House than anywhere in town.

If you are going to buy a Cook Stove be sure not to buy until you see E. Lee's Live Oak Stove.

Respectfully,

E. LEE.

On Wilson Corner.

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J. J. DUPREE, Agent,

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## General Merchandise

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## Prime Cost

any one wishing Bargains in

## DRY GOODS, SHOES, CLOTHING.

Notions &c.,

Now is the time to get them before the stock is picked.

THESE GOODS MUST BE SOLD.

P. H. C. DUPREE, Assignee.

## We are Now In New Quarters!

We beg to announce to the Public that we are now located next door to R. G. Taylor & Co., where we will be glad to have our friends and customers call on us.

If you cannot find what you want in our

## JEWELRY SHOW-CASES,

we will order it direct for you and get it in a few days.

We repair Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Spectacles, Sewing Machines, Bicycles &c.

We keep on hand at all times a well selected stock of Spectacles, Bicycle Sundries, Sewing Machine Supplies, Oils &c.



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Yours truly,

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