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THE NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL LAW.

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1st. It provides for a State Board of School Examiners consisting of three professional teachers to be appointed by the State Board of Education. They meet upon the call of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who is an ex-officio chairman of the board of examiners, and their duties are to prepare courses of reading and professional study for teachers, and to outline methods of teaching and school government. They are further empowered to prepare annually a set of examination questions to be submitted to the county supervisor of schools in each county on the second Thursday in July of each year, and teachers passing a satisfactory examination are granted a life certificate by the State Board of Examiners—but said certificates are to be renewed every five years by the said board, provided the teacher makes an affidavit that he has been actually engaged in teaching since receiving said certificate.

2d. It abolishes the office of county examiner and re-establishes county boards of education, and gives them the power, together with the clerk of the court and the register of deeds, to elect a county supervisor of schools. The duties of the county supervisor are to examine teachers, to sign all orders drawn upon the school fund of the county, to supervise the schools of the county, and to be secretary of the county board of education.

3d. It requires the county board of education to divide the county into as many school districts as there are townships in said county, but allows as many school houses in each district as may be necessary for the accommodation of both races, provided a greater number of schools are not established than will give to each district an average of fewer than sixty-five pupils.

4th. It abolishes all public school committees for each race as now provided by law, and provides instead for the appointment, by the county board of education, of five intelligent business men favorable to public education, who are to act as school committees for both races in each township district.

5th. It requires the school fund of each county to be apportioned to each district per capita, and the committee are then to re-apportion this sum to the various schools, white and colored, in their district, so that each school shall have the same length of school term; but in making said apportionment the committee are to have proper regard for the grade of work to be done and the qualifications of the teachers in each school, white and colored, in the district.

The most desirable features of the bill are that it establishes the township system and thereby abolishes weak districts. It guards against the appointment of ignorant and incompetent colored or white teachers, thereby lengthening the school term, by properly adjusting the salaries of the teachers to the grade of work required in the school.

WANTED. Two young men, honest and of good report, with at least a common school education to enter an honorable and profitable employment. Must not be afraid or ashamed of work. Apply at this office.

THE NEW TARIFF LAW.

Mr. McKinley seems to be a mild-mannered man, but he is evidently wedded to the tariff law upon which he engrafted himself in the affections of the bankers and multi-millionaires. That law was once repudiated by the people, and the Republican party, which was identified with a protective tariff

which burdened the producing classes and enriched the wealthy classes who were benefitted by the imposition of import duties, was hurled from power for the time and reinstated by the unwise management of the Democratic leaders and the unfortunate divisions in the Democratic ranks.

Benton McMillin, of Tennessee, delivered a speech on the Tariff in the House of Representatives on Friday that we regard as one of the best speeches that has been made during this extra session of Congress. He regards the call of the extra session as unnecessary, and the Dingley tariff bill that has been introduced as unwise, burdensome and extravagant. Hear him:

"There is now in the Treasury \$218,000,000 surplus, or \$118,000,000 in excess of all outstanding obligations and the hundred-million gold reserve. This is more than enough to meet all estimated liabilities prior to June, 1899. There is no way to get this money back into circulation except this, unless we do it by buying our bonds at a premium. With a revival of business it will be found that no general increase of tariff taxes is required.

Then why all this mad rush to increase taxes? Why this hot haste to reimpose burdens? Are you not content with the too high rates already existing on many things and the excessive number of things taxed?

Mr. Chairman, if it were in my power, I would stop this infamous measure here and now. [Applause on the Democratic side.] And I would stay here until the dog days, if by so doing I could prevent its ever passing the House of Representatives, and would do a patriotic work in so doing."

In all tariff taxes it has been claimed that luxuries were made to bear the burdens of the tariff, and it is so claimed by the advocates of the Dingley bill now under discussion in Congress. Listen to a few words from Mr. McMillin on that subject:

"The gentleman from Maine told us in the opening speech that the increased duties in this bill had been mainly on luxuries. This is not correct. When did it become a luxury to have sugar in your tea and coffee? And yet sugar bears the next largest increase in this bill. When did it become a luxury to clothe yourselves with flannel and woolsens when you winter in Northern climates? And yet \$44,000,000 of that \$112,000,000 borne in this bill are imposed on wool and woollens alone. Are coarse shawls and knit goods luxuries? Are wool hats and overcoats luxuries? Are knives and forks in this urbane age luxuries? When did trace chains become a luxury to the farmer? Yet trace chains are increased by this bill. [Laughter.]

When I ask my distinguished friend from Maine, did it occur that a clean shirt was regarded as a luxury in Maine? For shirts are raised in this bill. [Laughter.]

County taxes are not imposed on luxuries. Much the largest per cent. of the aggregate, as I calculate, is upon the necessities of life."

WE DO NOT WANT BOYS OR LOAFERS to write, but men of ability, \$2.50 to \$5.00 dollars per month salary or commission. State and general managers.

MARCH 1st, 1897. County Commissioners met according to adjournment. Present, G. A. Griggs, Chm., B. D. Tillet and W. H. White. Ordered by the Board that Alonzo Hampton be allowed rebate for poll tax of 1896.

Ordered by the Board that L. L. Gregory and T. M. Bell be appointed school committeemen for District No. 8, (white race), in place of A. M. Willey and P. L. Northern, who refused to qualify. Also Luke Pool in place of A. B. Snowden, resigned, in District No. 13.

Ordered that Wiley Gregory be allowed four dollars per month. Ordered by the Board that the pauper of Currituck county be assigned to W. L. Dudley for the year 1897 at five dollars per month, he, the said Dudley, having agreed to take all applicants at the aforesaid sum of five dollars, both white and colored, to give them separate apartments, to care for them in a humane manner, to maintain them, to give them sufficient good nourishing and wholesome food suitable to their respective conditions, such food as is suitable for the inmates of the House of the Aged and Infirm.

Ordered that J. B. Davis be allowed to take Jack Spence from the Poor House.

RESTORED TO HEALTH. If you are suffering with any skin or blood disease, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Ulcers, Old Sores, General Debility, etc., send stamp to Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga., for book of wonderful cures, free. This book will point the way to speedy recovery.

THE CROWDS GROW BIGGER.

Since the public knows that it is an established fact that MITCHELL IS GOING TO NORFOLK and HAS ONLY A LIMITED TIME to close out his stock, the people have come from every section to attend the sale. The crowd grows bigger every day and MITCHELL can hardly wait on the people. Everything must be sold REGARDLESS OF PRICE.

ITS A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO LAY IN YOUR SUPPLY.

Thousands of Dollars Worth of Shoes and Clothing to be Sacrificed.

600 pairs W. L. Douglas celebrated Shoes, Fran new, at prime factory cost. Rockland hand made shoes at \$1.00 pair less than cost. Ladies fine \$2.25 shoes at \$1.50. Ladies fine Dongola shoes, worth \$2.00, now \$1.25 pair. Don't delay. Remember the stock is being sold and your size may be gone. We have a job table of mens' fine shoes, about 200 pairs, that are worth from \$2.25 to \$3.00. If you can find your size in this lot, you take your choice at \$1.50 pair.

WOMEN'S OIL GRAIN SHOES, ALL SIZES, AT 75 CENTS PAIR.

R. J. MITCHELL, ELIZABETH CITY, N. C.

- The following orders were allowed: David McKinley, for coffin, \$5.00. J. P. Ethridge, 2 days as Judge of E. 3.00. J. C. Walker, 3 cases for officers 28.22. J. B. Davis, keeping poor for Feb. 30.22. Geo. E. Sanborn, 2 yrs Judge of E. 2.00. J. A. Wilson, 3 " " " 3.00. J. C. Archer, 3 " " " 3.00. Har ey Bell, 1 " " " 1.00. P. H. Flora, Mds. for Deed Miller, doct. 4.00. L. B. White, 3 days as registrar. 3.00. J. W. Forbs, con, serving 7 road orders. 4.20. Louis Poyner, 1100 puncheons. 4.40. C. L. Perkins, coffin for D. Miller. 5.00. H. R. Parker 6 days Judge E. 5.00. and making returns. 9.20. J. B. Day, 2 days Judge E. 2.00. Thos. Cartwright, coffin for child. 4.00. E. W. Ansell, Stationary, etc. 16.78. W. J. Halstead, serving road order. 16.78. E. R. Johnson & Co., stove, etc., for C. H. 8.50. Mrs. Mary Gregory, for treatment to Morris Reals for 40 days. 40.00. Falcon Pub. Co. for publishing county proceedings. 20.00. Ansonath Brouney, rebate on land. 1.37. J. J. Ferabee, 10 cypress trees. 3.00. W. H. White, 5 days as com'r and mileage. 11.80. B. D. Tillet, 2 days as com'r and mileage. 8.00. G. A. Griggs, 6 days as com'r and mileage. 12.45.

- The following benefits were allowed: Sarah Van Raper 2 months, 16.00. Wiley Gregory 2 " 4.00. Wm. Cason 2 " 4.00. Nebby Duncan 2 " 4.00. W. P. Miller & child'n 2 " 8.00. W. H. Sutton 2 " 4.00. Winnie Dough, 2 " 4.00. Edmund Mercer 1 " 2.00. " 1 " 4.00. " Sanders 2 " 6.00. Patrick Owens 2 " 4.00. Adam Forbes 2 " 4.00. Wm. Barnes 2 " 4.00. Peggy Cason 2 " 4.00. Frank Mann 3 " 10.00. Mary Lindsey 2 " 4.00. Polly Owens 1 " 2.00. Bristow Whitehall 2 " 10.00. Jas. H. Sawyer 2 " 4.00. James King 1 " 2.00. Sarah Aeklin 3 " 4.00. Jasper Toler 3 " 10.00. Malchi Paine and wife 2 " 8.00. Frank Rodgers 2 " 4.00. Steward Waterfield 2 " 4.00. A. M. White 2 " 4.00. Lucinda Waterfield 2 " 4.00. Huldah Beasley 3 " 6.00. Honor Taylor 2 " 4.00. Jas. McElease 2 " 4.00.

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet on the 1st Monday in April, 1897.

G. A. GRIGGS, Chm., Wm. H. BRAY, Sec'y., Bd. of Coms. of Currituck Co.

Mrs. M. Hill & Co.

will have their opening of Spring and Summer millinery on Monday and Tuesday, April 6th and 8th, and will exhibit the largest and handsomest assortment of hats and bonnet ever to this town.

All of our friends and patrons are cordially invited to call. PALAIS ROYAL, Main St., near Water.

RESTORED TO HEALTH. If you are suffering with any skin or blood disease, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Ulcers, Old Sores, General Debility, etc., send stamp to Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga., for book of wonderful cures, free. This book will point the way to speedy recovery.

ECONOMICAL OPPORTUNITIES. THE FAIR. SEASONABLE SUGGESTIONS. DRESS GOODS. FASHIONABLE DESIGNS. SPRING-NOVELTIES. SILK and WOOL DRESS GOODS. I LATEST EFFE TS. NOVELTY SILKS. WOOL FABRICS. In beautiful patterns for costumes, waistes, &c. These at remarkably low prices. The variety of our Spring and Summer offering was never before equalled in this city.

CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES. Perfect Fits Guaranteed. Foreign and Domestic Fabrics. 1,300 Men's, Youths' and Boys' Suits in stock.

Spring and Summer Suits. Hats. Shoes. In all the latest styles and shades. Our \$10.00 line of Plaids are beauties, each suit thoroughly made, sponged and pressed by experienced tailors. Clay worsted Suits, \$4.50 up. Full line of Boys' two-piece Suits in plain and nobby effects, 95c. to \$1.50 per suit. Of the latest styles and best blocks. Should go with our Spring suits. Our line of Shoes is complete in price, variety, quality and workmanship. We have a line of Umbrellas from 45c to \$2.00 each, which is beyond competition.

Wholesale Department. DRY GOODS, HATS SHOES AND NOTIONS. Our wholesale department is on the second floor. In this we have had the benefit of a forced market and the powerful aid of CASH purchases.

A Mammoth Double Store Extending Through from Water street to the River. THE FAIR. DEPARTMENT STORE. ELIZABETH CITY, N. C.

Overcoats at half price and less. Large quantity of Dress Overcoats received Nov. 25d at Fowler & Co's, and will be sold at half price, and less.—Call and examine.

Just rec'd car load each Spring seed oats and choice early Rose and Bliss seed potatoes at Flora & Co.

NOTICE. To all whom it may concern. Take notice that I have ceased to act as a free trader from this date, March 1st, 1897. M. J. EBORN. The rapidity with which croup develops calls for instant treatment; and yet few households are prepared for this disease is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It has saved hundreds of lives and should be in every home where there are young children.

New Goods ARRIVING EVERY DAY Clothing. Urmor Brand. BACK 2 INCHES. FRONT 2 1/2 INCHES. PLAUDIT.

Urmor Brand. BACK 2 INCHES. FRONT 2 1/2 INCHES. RESOLUTE.

Urmor Brand. POINTS 2 1/2 IN. BACK 1 7/8 IN. DEFENDER.

Urmor Brand. FOUR-PLY. WIDTH 4 1/2 INCHES. EXPORT.

J. SALOMONSKY, AGENT, Clothing and Gents' Furnishers.

For Sale or Rent. The Armstrong places near the Park. Two houses and nine acres of land. Terms very moderate. E. F. LAMB Real Estate Agt.

You don't consider long when you are offered a pair of Moses Weisel's Kid G-oves for seventy-nine cents.

FOR RENT. Oyster and Fish Depot on Pointexter Creek. One of the best stands in the town for the bus. Tenant houses near Cotton Factory. Small tenant houses in P. nesylvania. E. F. LAMB, Real Estate Agent.

E. F. LAMB, Attorney-at-Law and REAL ESTATE AGENT. Prompt attention given to professional business. LOANS NEGOTIATED ON REAL ESTATE. Farms, Town Property Timber Lands. bought and sold on commission. Rental Agency Connected with Office.

FOR SALE. 4 dwellings on Fearing street. Prices very low, terms easy, and on small payments. A fine wharf property on Camden side of river. A valuable fishery. Three small farms near the city. A large body of farming lands to the river. A Cypress swamp. Wharf property in town. The Albemarle Hotel.

A saw Mill of 35 horse power. Engine, 45 horse power. Boiler, Lathie Mill, planer, line of Shafting, tip and cut off saws, all necessary racks in good running order. The above property is near the Norfolk & Southern R. R. The mill is on the water, with a good supply of timber accessible.

Terms are very low and easy payments will be accepted, or will exchange for property in Elizabeth City, N. C., or vicinity. 200 acres North of town, 1 1/2 miles from R. R., specially adapted for trucking and small fruit. 195 acres of excellent quality, high end easily drained, fine state of cultivation, except a few acres of woodland, 2 1/2 miles out of town. \$18 per acre. 55 acres near town limits, in high state of cultivation. 14 acres adjoining Park Fair grounds. Two dwellings, very cheap, and on easy terms. A handsome dwelling on Burgess street.

Small dwelling and good corner lot on Northern and Elliott streets. Terms easy. 200 acre farm, large buildings, highly improved, grain and stock farm near town. A dwelling and corner lot on Church street. A great bargain. Town lots near Cotton Factory.

Also small tenant houses, all on small payments. Monthly installments.

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BEAM S. A bay colt foaled May 14th, 1892. Standard. Sire and dam both registered Standard. Bred by O. L. Stanford, Ithaca, N. Y. Sired by "Startle Boy," dam "Roulette." "Beam S." is certainly a very fashionably bred colt, tracing to such horses as "Startle," who sold to Mr. Bonner for \$22,000.00, and "Faded Evening" who sold for "Gleam and Shine" M. Patchen, who sold for \$20,000.00. He traces to many of our best tracing sires and carries the fashionable Hambletonian—Star Goss, so desirable in a pedigree. Will stand this season in Currituck, Camden and Pasquotank counties. Can be seen at Lamb's farm. Full pedigree furnished, upon application.