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FULL TEXT OF THE LAW.

Act Passed By 1893 Legislature, And Act Amending Same, Passed By the 1895 Legislature.—The Law On Which Sauratown and Meadows Are Basing Their Suit Against the County Commissioners

Last week the Reporter published an extract from the Act of 1893 on which Meadows and Sauratown townships are basing their suit against the county commissioners, which is now pending in court. Since then, we have procured the full text of the law, together with the amendment thereto, passed by the 1895 legislature.

The original law to apply the taxes paid by the railroads in Sauratown and Meadows townships to the public roads, etc., of said townships was introduced in the Legislature by Mr. R. J. Petree, our representative, on the 6th day of February, 1893. It was House bill No. 723, (see House Journal of 1893, page 341), and is now chapter 448 of the laws, passed by the Legislature of 1893.

At the session of 1895 on the 26th of January, 1895, Mr. Petree introduced an amendment, which was passed, to chapter 448 of the laws of 1893, and was House bill 354, (see House Journal of 1895, page 129), to add Danbury township and to make the law more effective and is now chapter 131, laws of 1895. We did not have the law of 1895, amending the law of 1893, before us, when we published an extract from the law of 1893 last

week. The law of 1893 is as follows:

AN ACT CONCERNING MEADOW AND SAURATOWN TOWNSHIPS OF STOKES COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. The commissioners of Stokes county are hereby authorized and directed to set apart from all other county taxes all the taxes paid each year as county taxes by the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad Company on their property lying and being in Sauratown and Meadows townships respectively of said county of Stokes; and the sum so respectively paid each year on the property in each of said townships by said railroad company shall be expended exclusively within the said Sauratown and Meadows townships respectively for reforming the public roads, building bridges, extending schools, or such other purposes as the commissioners may deem best, and not otherwise.

SECTION 2. The commissioners of Stokes county are authorized and directed to invest each year in interest-bearing securities which in their judgment are safe and reliable the surplus money arising from the county taxes paid by the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company, over and above the amount required to pay interest on the bonds issued by Sauratown township in aid of said railroad, on all their property lying and being in Sauratown township in said county of Stokes, the interest on the bonds outstanding first having been paid each year before said surplus is invested; and the surplus so invested shall be a sinking fund for the redemption of the

bonds at maturity, it being the intention of this act that the surplus shall not be used by the county as a part of general county fund, but for the purpose herein set forth.

SEC. 3 That whenever the bonded debt, principal and interest, of said township, constructed in aid of the Roanoke and Southern, now the Norfolk and Western Railroad, shall have been paid by said county taxes on said road and the said township fully reimbursed for what has been already paid and whenever the Meadow township shall be fully reimbursed and said taxes principal and interest the amount paid by said township that this act shall amount to be operative and all such taxes shall be paid into the general county fund.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification. Ratified the 6th day of March, A. D. 1893.

The Act of 1895, amending the above act, is as follows:

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS ONE (1) AND THREE (3) OF CHAPTER FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHT (448) OF THE LAWS OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-THREE (1893), AND TO ADD OTHER SECTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section one (1) of chapter four hundred and forty-eight (448) of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893) be amended as follows: After the word "be," in line seven (7), insert the following: "divided into two equal shares, one-half thereof to belong to Sauratown township, and the other half thereof to belong to the territory now embraced in Mead-

ow and Danbury township, to be divided between said Meadow and Danbury townships, in proportion to the amount of taxes paid by said territory now embraced in Danbury and Meadow townships, respectively, to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad company, and shall be." Also, insert after the word "Sauratown," in line eight (8) of said section, the word "Danbury."

SEC. 2. And that section three (3) of said chapter be amended by striking out the word "constructed," in line two (2), and inserting in lieu thereof the word "contracted," and by striking out all of said section after the word "the," in line five (5), and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "territory now embraced in Meadow and Danbury townships, and also Sauratown township, shall be fully reimbursed, principal and interest, for the amount paid by said above named territory to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad company out of said county taxes upon said Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad, then this act shall be inoperative, and all such taxes thereafter collected from said railroad shall be paid into the general county fund," so as to make section one (1) read as follows: Section 1. The commissioners of Stokes county are hereby authorized and directed to set apart from all other county taxes, all the taxes paid each year as county taxes by the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad company on their property, lying and being in Sauratown and Meadow townships, of said county of Stokes; and the same so, respectively, paid each year on the property in each of said townships by said railroad

company, shall be divided into two equal shares, one-half thereof to belong to Sauratown township, and the other half to belong to the territory now embraced in Meadow and Danbury townships, to be divided between said Meadow and Danbury townships in proportion to the amount of taxes paid by said territory now embraced in Danbury and Meadow townships, respectively, to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad company, and shall be expended exclusively within the said Sauratown and Meadow and Danbury townships, respectively, for reforming the public roads, building bridges, extending schools, or such other purposes as the commissioners may deem best, and not otherwise." And section three (3) of said chapter to read as follows: Section 3. That whenever the bonded debt, principal and interest, of said townships, contracted in aid of the Roanoke and Southern, now the Norfolk and Western, railroad, shall have been fully paid by said county taxes on said road, and the territory now embraced in Meadow and Danbury townships, and also Sauratown township, shall be fully reimbursed, principal and interest, for the amount paid by said above named territories to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad company out of said county taxes upon said Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad, then this act shall be inoperative, and all such taxes thereafter collected from said railroad shall be paid into the general county fund."

SEC. 3. And the commissioners of said county of Stokes are hereby required to administer and enforce chapter four hundred and

forty-eight of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893), as herein amended, the same as if the said amendments herein made had been included in the aforesaid chapter, as ratified on the sixth (6) day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893).

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification. Ratified the 2d day of March, A. D. 1895.

VADE MECUM ROUTE 1.

Vade Mecum Route 1, Sept. 22 —As I haven't seen anything in the Reporter for awhile from our community, will give you a few items.

People are most through cutting and curing tobacco and pulling fodder in this section. Tobacco crop is short on account of so much wet weather.

Mr. J. F. Shores and daughter, Miss Ellen; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nelson, arrived here Wednesday from Greensboro.

We are sorry to note the illness of Mr. Otto Tucker.

Mr. W. H. Reid has opened up a small stock of goods at this place.

Mr. R. M. Brown left Tuesday for Greensboro where he has accepted a position in the store of A. H. Nelson as clerk.

Mr. P. R. Nelson made a trip to Pilot Mt. Saturday on business.

Mr. Aplin Nelson is out again, after several weeks' illness with typhoid fever.

Misses Ida and Della Nelson visited their cousin, Mrs. Ida Ford, Sunday.

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