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If the new assessment of property increases the taxes of Stokes county 33 1-3 per cent., for the love of Heaven let's put some of the money on the public roads.

It is good news from the farms that the wheat crop is fine, in some sections even better than the bumper crop of last year. Now with the increased lay-out of demonstration corn, we shall be saved again.

The next great political battle of North Carolina will be between Kitchen and Simmons for the United States Senate. As far as the Reporter is able to judge of the situation, Kitchen is the overwhelming favorite in Stokes.

There need not be any undue excitement over the fact that the new machinery act requires assessors to value property at the price it would bring on the market at an unforced sale. This has been the law all the time in the previous acts.

Major Stedman and Claude Kitchen are both strongly in favor of reciprocity. Most of the other North Carolina congressmen are against it. If reciprocity will reduce the cost of supplies it will be a god-send to the tobacco farmers of Stokes county.

Mr. L. S. Grabs, of King, is a strong good roads man, but does not believe we can ever have good roads without taxation. Mr. Grabs takes the correct view. Nothing in the world will succeed without putting money behind it. The system of working roads by free labor is wrong from principle. Its application is a farce.

Dr. Seaman Knapp, who died a few days ago, was one of the brainiest farmers the world has produced. One of the last sayings of Dr. Knapp was that "800 per cent. bigger profit is possible to the Southern farmer." This ought to be encouraging to those weak farmers who sometimes desert their farms and move to the factories because they can't make a living.

The telephone, the rural free delivery, schools, churches and good roads are incalculable blessings to the communities, but the greatest of these is good roads. The average Stokes county road is a hindrance to business and farming, a stumbling block to the mail system, a serious drawback to attendance at the schools and churches, and a destroyer of prosperity and happiness.

According to what the expert road builders of North Carolina say, a fine sand-clay road can be built from the Virginia to the Forsyth county line, and from the Surry to the Rockingham county line, about 60 miles, for \$48,000. The interest on \$48,000 at 5 per cent. would be \$2,400 per year, and the county could pay this for 20 or 30 years and never feel it, while, by the time the bonds matured, the increased and the enhanced property would make the tax nothing.

It was a sad co-incident that two faithful laborers in the Western North Carolina Conference should be afflicted almost in the same moment, and in the same way. Rev. A. E. Wiley, pastor of the Gold Hill circuit, was stricken with paralysis on Sunday morning just as he was preparing to go to church. On the same day and in the same hour, the blow descended on Rev. D. A. Binkley, of the Franklin circuit. Both ministers are affected exactly alike, and both are in a critical condition.

"Mooreville, No. 2, April 8.--I am for the good roads and road bonds. I see in the Landmark where a Mr. Morrison objects to the road bonds. I don't know what kind of a Morrison he is. I didn't think there was a Morrison of that stripe in Iredell county. He don't know what a good road is and what it is and what it is worth to a farmer. I have had the pleasure of four miles of good road from Mooreville for 12 months. I would be willing to pay tax 40 years for that much road."

A good road is one thing which the farmer gets full benefit of, whether he be a poor man or a rich man. A farmer who opposes the building of good roads is certainly standing in his own light.

PLAN OF I. G. ROSS.

Says Rock is a Failure, Sand is a Failure, and the Only Successful Way is to Build Them In Such a Way That They Won't "Cost" Anything.

Messrs. Editors:

While your paper seems to be open for the discussion of the road question I wish to give my plans and views on the subject, for we all think ours the best, and it is very natural for us to think so. My plan is so simple and easy to do is my reason for thinking mine is as good if not better. My first thing to do is to make the roads as short as possible between two points and as straight as possible, but we will have to sacrifice straightness in some places owing to our hills and the next thing to consider is the drainage. They should be so that they could be well drained without too much wash. Now the next thing is the road-bed. Stone has been used in England and France and that has proved to be a failure except short sections near cities or mines. Plank roads have been tried and that is also a failure. The sand road is the hardest and hottest on a horse of any road that we could possibly have. Every eastern man will tell you the same thing. With our roads well drained there is no reason why we should not have the best roads that we have ever had with our clay, the only material that has ever been tried that would hold up any kind of pressure without crushing, which is demonstrated here every summer when our roads are dry. Now, the great question is how are we going to keep them dry. This is my plan: First, put some permanent culverts in where it is necessary to carry the water across the road as the bridges that we now have used heretofore have been failures and always will be. The next thing is for every overseer to have a good road drag and when he warns his hands to work have him to bring his horse or mule instead of bringing a pick and shovel and have him to ride all day on that drag and make a better road than twenty men make with their shovels, and every time it rains run that drag over the road and that will drain all the water off of the road-bed and fill up all ruts if there should be any, and with it well drained it will be dry in a short time and can never be muddy. It is the standing water that gives us the mud. Old Joe Trigg used to say that mud, money and misery all went together.

I certainly think we have had to stand the mud and misery the past winter and now the only outlay of money will be for the culverts and the road drags; that seems to me to be too small a matter to think of a bond issue. We can use the bridges for a while longer and there will be no cost except the drags. This looks to me to be a simple thing and yet it seems to be one of the hardest things to get done, but it is possible if a public sentiment could get behind it and agree on this or some better plan. If we ever expect to dismiss the mud we must agree on some plan.

I. G. ROSS.

SAVED HIS MOTHER'S LIFE.

"Four doctors had given me up," writes Mrs. Laura Gaines, of Avoca, La., "and my children and all my friends were looking for me to die, when my son insisted that I use Electric Bitters. I did so, and they have done me a world of good. I will always praise them." Electric Bitters is priceless to women troubled with fainting and dizzy spells, backache, headache, weakness, debility, constipation or kidney disorders. Use them and gain new health, strength and vigor. They're guaranteed to satisfy or money refunded. Only 50c at all Druggists.

AT DANBURY APR. 29.

FARMERS' UNION TO MEET

President Nunn Issues Call For the Purpose of Transacting Important Business.

Westfield, N. C., April 11.

Messrs. Editors:

I hereby call a meeting of the Stokes county division of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America to be held in the court-house at Danbury on the 29th day of April 1911, for the purpose of transacting such business as may be brought before it.

Yours fraternally,
R. L. NUNN, Pres.

Mr. Powell Rhodes, one of the leading farmers of Peters' Creek township, paid the Reporter office a pleasant visit Monday.

Mr. Walter George, whose blood tingles in his veins when he hears the deep voice of a fox hound on the trail, was here Tuesday from Brown Mtn.

KICKED BY A MAD HORSE.

Samuel Birch, of Beetown, Wis., had a most narrow escape from losing his leg, as no doctor could heal the frightful sore that developed, but at last Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured it completely. Its the greatest healer of ulcers, burns, boils, eczema, scalds, cuts, corns, old-sores, bruises and piles on earth. Try it. 25c at all Druggists.

Sale of Land For Taxes

I will sell at public auction for cash at the Court House door in the town of Danbury, Stokes county, N. C., on Monday, the first day of May, 1911, the lands described below, for taxes due for the years 1909 and 1910, to-wit:

| DANBURY TOWNSHIP: | |
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| Bitting, J. A., 1 " " '10 | 1.80 |
| QUAKER GAP TOWNSHIP: | |
| Sparks, J. H. estate, lot '10 | \$8.07 |
| Bryant, C. A., 29 a. Ck. Cr. 1909-10 | 3.28 |
| COLORED. | |
| Dearman, Caroline, 13 a. BC '09 | 1.81 |
| WESTFIELD GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT, QUAKER GAP TOWNSHIP: | |
| Carson, W. V., a lot of land Westfield, '09 | \$1.80 |
| Simmons, Mrs. Violet, a lot of land Westfield, '09 | 2.46 |
| MEADOWS TOWNSHIP: | |
| Tillotson, D. H., 78 a. Neatman 1910 | 5.10 |
| Smith, M. E., 1 lot 1909 | 2.27 |
| YADKIN TOWNSHIP: | |
| Newsom, Jettie, d tax 28 a 1910 | 4.17 |
| PINNACLE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, YADKIN TOWNSHIP: | |
| Brown, L. B., 1 lot Pinnacle 1909 | \$2.65 |
| SNOW CREEK TOWNSHIP: | |
| Ellington, J. H., Com, 190 a S R 1909-10 | \$10.58 |
| Doyle, D. O., 49 a B I Cr '09-10 | 6.08 |
| Spottswood, D., 1 lot Mica Mine '09-10 | 3.62 |
| Southern Mica Mfg Co., 48 1/2 a Snow Cr '10 | 10.90 |
| White Diamond Mica Co., 3 lots S R '09-10 | 9.03 |
| H. S. Tilley, 24 a Prestonville '10 | 4.08 |
| BEAVER ISLAND TOWNSHIP: | |
| Duncan, A. P., Line 78 a B I Cr '09 | 3.94 |
| Flynt, J. D., 187 a B I '10 | 10.20 |
| Johnson, J. S., 27 a Reed Cr '10 | 3.13 |
| Powell, Chas H., 1 lot Pine Hall '10 | 6.13 |
| Saunders, Mrs E. F., 39 a Salem Road '10 | 4.24 |
| Simpson, W. L., 24 a B I Cr '09 | 2.40 |
| Simpson, A. L., 24 a B I Cr '10 | 2.40 |
| Southern, J. A., 1 lot '10 | 3.23 |
| Martin, Joe T., 22 a S C '09 | 3.94 |
| Carter, W. C., 128 a B I Cr '10 | 6.17 |
| Welch, Nick, 5 a K Fork '10 | 1.59 |
| SAURATOWN TOWNSHIP: | |
| Adams, S. P., 1 lot '10 | \$4.20 |
| Dunkley, F. G., 165 a T F Cr '10 | 12.40 |
| Hackney, Mrs Lena, 1 lot '09-10 | 3.24 |
| James, F. T., 20 a Z I Cr '10 | 2.27 |
| Martin, Joseph, 52 a old F Cr '10 | 3.96 |
| Rice, B. F., 142 a Belevs Cr '10 | 8.26 |
| Warren, L. W., 42 Belevs Cr '09-10 | 5.36 |
| Welch, William, 66 a Widow Cr 1909 | 5.17 |
| Young, J. H., 86 a D F Road '09 | 5.45 |
| Warren, J. L., 8 a Belevs Cr. '10 | 1.80 |
| COLORED. | |
| Balley, R. S., 32 1/2 a '09-10 | \$10.38 |
| Fulp, Sid, 10 a DR '10 | 1.80 |
| Gooley, C. W., 119 a B Cr '10 | 8.07 |
| Halston, Will D., 1 lot '09 | 6.39 |
| Halston, W. D., 1 lot '10 | 1.80 |
| Red, Lettie, 1 lot '10 | 2.27 |
| Red, Walter, 1 lot '09-10 | 4.24 |
| Warren, J. L., 8 a B Cr '10 | 1.80 |
| WALNUT COVE-SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, SAURATOWN TOWNSHIP: | |
| Adams, S. P., 1 lot W C '10 | \$ 2.20 |
| Hackney, Mrs Lena, 1 lot W C '09-10 | 1.90 |
| COLORED. | |
| Red, Walter, 1 lot W C '09-10 | 2.20 |
| Red, Lettie, 1 lot W C '10 | 1.90 |
| Halston, Will D., 1 lot W C '09 | 3.10 |
| This March 27, 1911. | |
| C. M. JONES, Sheriff. | |

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Kernersville Items, From the News.

Mr. Will G. Cooke and Miss Carrie Winfree were united in the holy bonds of matrimony yesterday evening at the home of Dr. H. A. Brown of Winston Salem.

Dr. C. H. McAnally, of Asheville, a young dentist has located here for the practice of his profession.

Mrs. George Teague has been very sick for several weeks.

Mr. Bud Dean has opened up a barber shop opposite the Auto Inn.

Wheat Crop Improving.

Mr. R. J. Woods, one of the best farmers on Danbury Route 1, was here a short while Tuesday. Mr. Woods reports the wheat crop of his section as showing a remarkable improvement since the late rains.

"Our baby cries for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. T. B. Kendrick, of Rasaca, Ga. "It is the best cough remedy on the market for coughs, colds and croup. For sale by all dealers.

Machine oils. Keiger's Store.

PUBLIC SALE OF LAND.

By virtue and authority of a decree of the Superior Court of Stokes County in case of James Rlerson and W. W. King against Z. V. Robertson and others and as Commissioner appointed by the Court in said case, I will sell at public auction at the Court House door in Danbury on Monday, the 1st day of May, 1911, at 12 o'clock, M., it being the first Monday of said month, a tract or parcel of land, being 18 1/2 acres more or less, made up of four smaller tracts the outside boundaries around the whole, as surveyed under said decree by E. M. Barnard on the 4th, 5th and 6th days of June, 1901, as follows:

Beginning at the ford of January branch thence with the old January road as it meanders North 85° West 18 poles, North 75° West 19 poles to a small branch, West 12 poles—South 83° West 7 poles, South 84° West 27 poles—south 65° West 16 poles, North 80° West 20 to the cross roads known as the Five Forks, thence North 6 1/2 deg. East with a road 24 poles N. 25 deg. East 12 poles—North 5 deg. West 52 poles to a bend—North 30 deg. West 25 poles thence leaving the road and runs South 87 1/2 deg. East 86 poles crossing two branches to pointlers and Sourwood bush, North 2 deg. East 126 poles to a Black Gum Smith's line with same South 88 1/2 deg. East 52 poles to a

Chesnut Oak on north side of Ward's Gap road, continuing South 88 1/2 deg. East 63 poles to pointlers in the Jesse Mabe tract afterwards James M. Taylor's thence with same line and James M. Taylor's home tract line South 2 deg. West crossing said Ward's Gap road at 44 poles and continuing same course in all 137 poles to pointlers formerly Sisk's Post Oak corner, thence North 87 1/2 deg. West 40 poles to a prong of January branch, thence down said branch as it meanders South 26 deg. West 44 poles—South 22 deg. West 52 poles—South 2 deg. West 15 poles to the beginning, adjoining the lands of W. R. Hylton, John Leak and James Smith, the former home place of James M. Taylor, and others.

The above land will first be offered in the four smaller tracts, separately, and then all together as one tract and knocked off at the highest bid or bids offering the largest amount.

A map of said lands showing the separate tracts and as a whole can be seen at the office of W. W. King at Danbury.

This land all lies well and is watered with several branches and has branch bottoms. To be sold for partition, subject to the confirmation of the Court.

Terms of sale—cash.

This the 28 day of March, 1911.

J. H. ELLINGTON,
Commissioner.

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Yours truly,

W. F. BOWLES

Walnut Cove, N. C.