

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Proceedings of the County Commissioners Yesterday.—Mr. James H. Chadborn, Jr., elected County Treasurer.—Other matters.

The board of commissioners of New Hanover county met in regular monthly session yesterday at 11 a. m. all the members being present.

Marsden Bellamy, Esq., was in attendance as counsel for the board. The register of deeds, C. W. Norwood, was in attendance as clerk.

Chairman Foster said the matter would not properly be before the board until the nomination was seconded.

Commissioner Dempsey seconded Mr. Chadborn's nomination in the city.

Commissioner Moore protested to the election, but said he would not nominate Mr. John P. James.

Commissioner Alexander seconded Mr. Chadborn's nomination.

The matter then came up regularly for discussion.

Mr. Bellamy said it was the duty of the board to ascertain whether it has the right to elect a treasurer and clerk upon the salary of the board's attorney.

Mr. Bellamy said he had investigated the question very carefully, and in his opinion the board had a right to elect.

Commissioner Moore called for the reading of the records of the December meeting of the board as to Mr. VanAmringe's bond.

Commissioner Moore contended that this put it out of the power of the board to elect.

Mr. Bellamy, however, said the record was incorrect, as the bond had not been rejected, but action was simply postponed until this meeting.

Mr. Dempsey then moved that the board declare the office of treasurer vacant on account of the death of the county treasurer, and the motion was carried.

Colonel Moore entered his protest against the election of a treasurer by the board.

The board of Aldermen met in regular session last night. In the absence of Mayor W. C. VonGlabbe, Mayor pro tem W. C. VonGlabbe presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

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THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WILMINGTON, COLUMBIA & AUGUSTA RAILROAD COMPANY have instructed the Treasurer to pay to all holders of record of this date, three per cent. dividend on the Capital Stock of that Company.

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Anger. The third page of this morning's Messenger we print the latest sermon preached by the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, D. D.,—the discourse he delivered last Sunday.

For a number of years Dr. Talmage's sermons have been one of the features of the Messenger and for their publication we have held the exclusive privilege from the American Press Association.

Some months ago our enterprising contemporary, The Evening Dispatch, announced that it would commence the publication of these sermons, and in view of the fact that we have no Monday issue, could have printed the sermon in advance, according to our agreement not to publish it before it was preached so we got special permission to print the sermons on the day they were delivered.

We therefore began the publication of the sermons on the Sunday mornings upon which they were delivered, and as a matter of course before they were delivered.

The Morning Star recently announced that it would take a postal card vote as to the preference of its patrons for its publication of these sermons and subsequently announced that it would begin their publication. The Messenger thereupon said in its issue of December 15th:

"A letter before us from the American Press Association advises us that no other paper in Wilmington can get Dr. Talmage's sermons, as the Messenger holds the exclusive franchise for their use in this city.

For years these sermons have been a prominent and popular feature of Sunday's Messenger, and will continue to be. Other sermons that have been printed, and will, no doubt, be printed again, but we desire to state that the sermons appearing in this paper are the very latest prepared by this distinguished preacher.

The fact is, the sermon in this morning's Messenger is the one to be delivered by Dr. Talmage today at 7 o'clock, and our readers can always read the sermons each respective Sunday on which they are delivered."

The above remarks elicited an impatient fanfare from the Star in its issue of December 21st, but its illusive vapors do not affect or alter the statement that we made—that "no other paper in Wilmington can get Dr. Talmage's sermons as long as the Messenger holds the exclusive franchise (from the American Press Association) for their use in this city."

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We desire to reiterate, therefore, that if we publish a sermon in advance of any other Wilmington paper, the same is on account of the fact that we alone have the advance copy of the sermon printed, as the case may be.

Although we had been previously assured of our holding the exclusive franchise from the American Press Association to publish the Talmage sermons, we recently wrote to the association and their reply, as published below, bears us out:

Philadelphia, December 11, 1896. The Messenger, Wilmington, N. C.: Gentlemen:—Replying to your favor of the 9th, we advise you that The Star cannot get the Talmage sermons as long as you hold the franchise. The Talmage sermons, as we have before stated, cannot be copied righted; therefore The Star or any other paper could not print this sermon after it had been printed by you.

There is a mistake in your issue of the 10th, in which you state that you have the advance copy of the sermon printed, as the case may be. We would not print ourselves. In all probability The Star would try to get the advance copy of the sermon, but we have the advance copy of the sermon printed, as the case may be.

AMERICAN PRESS ASSN. That the officiousness of somebody had the desired effect. We were stopped from printing the sermons, as will be seen by the following letter received, not in reply to any letter from us.

Philadelphia, December 21, 1896. The Messenger, Wilmington, N. C.: Gentlemen:—Considering that the efforts of a rival paper to present the Talmage sermon, we regret exceedingly that you are not in a position to permit your paper to continue the publication of the sermon before it has been delivered. It seems that Dr. Talmage's representative has learned of the publication of the sermon by The Star, and the premature printing of the sermon shall cease.

AMERICAN PRESS ASSN. It is due The Messenger to say that we have never known Mr. Klopsch in the matter of Talmage's sermons and that we never corresponded with him at any time about the matter.