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Mr McColn Points Out Several Inthe City Have Been Wasted.

To the Editor of the Gold Leaf. and are try-

lices where I consider the money from the mayor of the town, paid long ago been thrown on the dump ished reading my first resolution. be in I consider this \$1,500 unwises moved to lay it on the table. His

A little later the town commission. quickly as if it had been greased for egs bought an up-to-date street roller at a cost of \$3,000. This roller, to them if they voted \$326.50 of the 10 Mr. Currin and once to Mr. Tay- one of these members and their atmany believe that the roller could be there are among my warmest friends. used to a great advantage, especial. This is not a personal but a public mi-sioner was a boy, street rollers is opposed to using it now, and for would be glad to do for \$1002 1 of the town has been allowed to ing the sun, rain and storm just as elected treasurer is gratuitiously givthey come, and it is generally under- en \$400 a year that he never earns. stood that rust has already ruined. Last January, when the bill creat-

satisfied. Notwithstanding this fact reason for this sudden change has the majority of your commissioners ever been given, except one Mr. all of a sudden became so big heart- Shiras says he could not go against ed and liberal with the town's money "Dick," another advanced the idea that they raised the salaries of these that he was for progress, and wantliberal mood paid to these men, with-out legal authority or moral right about things but this is the first baby camel. men \$5 each per month and in their ed to add dignity to the office of out legal authority or moral right absurd things but this is the first 8220 more money than they hired time that I have heard of buying hibit at Henderson September 16th. them for. I say give it away, the dignity at a fixed price of \$200. men were satisfied and after increasing the salary the town kept the is now paying its mayor \$100 a Mrs. T. C. Pate moved from Falcon

pocket. It is amusing how liberal

some people are in handling the pub- EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT M. in the revival services just closed evangelist of the world today. lic money and how different they are in handling their own. When I was stances Where the Public Funds of first elected, and before I qualified as a member of the board, one of the commissioners came to me and said he was glad that I was elected and With your permission I want to hoped that I would join him in giv-ing the town an economical adminis-tion with this letter some of the was for a num-tration. We discussed to the Methodis Protestant church dur-ting the town an economical adminis-tration. We discussed to assist in the singing, in which all the where I think the town's tration. We discussed several mating the revival services beginning the ber of years the soloist with Dr. musical talent of our town it is hophas been unwisely spent. I ters, and at his suggestion and re- 17th. The Spartanburg Herald, in Torrey, and later with Dr. Chapman, ed can be elisted. design to say in the outset that I quest, I prepared a resolution and speaking of the work of Mr. Butler who in many respects is the greatest have hever charged that any of the offered it at the first meeting I attown stones had been stolen, neither tended. This resolution set out that,

do I think that the board of town whereas at this time, the mayor was ioners, as now constituted, a lawyer, and another member of the is ally worse than it has been for the board was of the same profession. is ten years. My greatest object and whereas, when the board called on the board and to the admin. on their attorney for any particular tration of town affairs is that they service, he charged them the usual fees, in addition to his annual regrowin an up-to-date, progressive tainer, it was therefore resolved that moder the same laws and in the the board do not at this time elect a manner as they ran a small regular attorney, but to leave themthe twenty years ago. This is a selves open to retain one whenever progressive age and the town that needed, and by this means save to as not make progress and keep up the town \$100 retainer fee. It was with the spirit of the age is a back further resolved that whereas the town treasurer was receiving about he this letter I shall attempt to \$550 for doing practically nothing. point not only a few of the many that his commission be cut in half. This resolution, if it had passed. spent without getting full value for it. | would have saved the town last year A least years ago the town commis- \$326.50. Do you know this, my first somers hought a nice, up-to-date resolution, trying to save some of road machine at a cost, as I am in. the town money was killed quicker. formed, of about \$1,500. They used than lightning and deader than this machine some three or four Julius Caesar, and I to eived a worse times, then stored it in a shed rented drubbing than was heaped on Marion Butler during the last campaign storage charges on it for three or Imagine my surprise and chagrin four years, and finally loaned the when my old venerated and econom machine to the county to be worn ical friend, who got me to draw the out, and the town has never received resolution, arose in his usual dignifianything for this machine and it has ed manner, and as soon as I had fin-

the occusion. It mattered nothing was unloaded, paid for and loamed town's money into the pockets of for, and up to this good day it has torney, without a moment's discusnever been used one hour by the sion or consideration. There is town It is not denied that our nothing personal in this matter, bestreets are in bad condition, and cause both the aftorney and treasg the macadamon main question. Is it right for the town treasurer to get between five and six were not then used, and therefore he work that nny good book-keeper that reason this \$3,000 investment maintain that under our present system of doing business, the comstand alle in the open weather, tak. missioner who is lucky enough to be

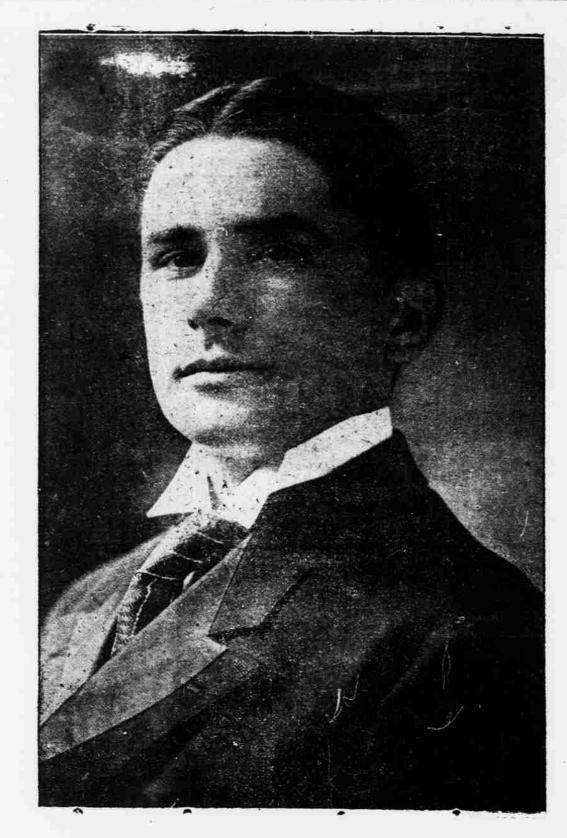
motion was a conded and carried as

or soon will ruin it, and the town is ing the recorder's court was read before the commissioners for their How about the cost of lighting our approval, it was stated that the new town? The Bible tells us that "Some court would be a great benefit to the love darkness rather than light be- town in many ways. Among other cause their deeds are evil." Has it things pointed out, it was stated love of darkness on the part of your | mayor of the unpleasant and annoytown commissioners was responsible ing duty of trying cases, and for or Henderson being the only town this reason the town could reduce of its size in North Carolina, South the mayor's salary \$200, and the Carolina or Virginia running on a treasurer would be that much in. moralight schedule? Of course you After the bill was passed, some time understand that on a moonlight in March or April, before anyone schedule the lights are turned out was nominated or elected, and at a who was in the store at the time, ances witnessed here in several One of the most interesting of the when the moon rises. And under this | time when at least two other gentlearrangement Henderson consumes men except the present mayor were only two-thirds the amount of cur- considering running for the office, a rent, and gets only two-thirds the resolution was passed in a regular amount of light as it would get un- meeting setting forth the facts as der un all night schedule. Do you above stated, and reducing the mayhow that your commissioners are or's salary for 1911 to \$100. This giving for 37 lights to be run under was done before election for two reathe moonlight schedule the sum of sons: First, that whoever was elected \$1.225 a year, and do you know that might not think it a personal matall other towns in this State, South ter, and in the second place the Carolina and Virginia are getting board wanted the man running for the all night schedule for the same the office to know what he was to price that your commissioners are get before elected. After it became jaying for the moonlight schedule? known that the board had passed This information was furnished me this resolution, the other two genby a good reliable party who knows tlemen decided not to run for the ofwhat he is talking, and anyone can fice, and the present mayor had no substantiate this if he will take the opposition. He knew before he was time to investigate it. Now is it elected that the board had fixed his right for Henderson to pay as much salary at \$100. At the first meeting for a moonlight schedule as other in May the question of the mayor's towns are paying for the all night salary again came up. The attenshedule? If this is not right and just, tion of the board was called to the your commissioners are annually fact that the town laws provided paying \$1,075 more than other towns that all salaries should be fixed the are paying for their lights, and I first meeting in May. Some questhink this money is unwisely spent. tion was raised as to whether or not

"The laborer is worthy of his hire." the old board had a legal right to This applies as much to the police- fix this salary, whereupon the salmen as any other laborer, and like ary was again fixed by the new board any other commodity labor is worth at \$100. The mayor stated at the My railroad fair was \$10, and the what it will bring on the market and time that whatever the commissionno more. My experience has taught ers did would be satisfactory to the that when a man goes out to em. him, as he did not run for the office ploy labor to be paid for with his for the money that was in it. I own money he gets it as cheap as he thought that inasmuch as the can, provided the price is reasonable, mayor knew before he was elected and when the employer goes up on that his salary was fixed, and inasthe price of labor he expects either much as it had been fixed by two more labor or better service. This boards at two different times that it lady as there was in all the student is true with business men, but it is would stay fixed, but it did not. In- body. and true with the commissioners of stead, somebody fixed two of the Henderson. In May 1910, when we commissioners. In this case, the went to elect the police, we fixed the board of town commissioners of salary of the chief at \$60, and the Henderson beats the Supreme Court three assistants at \$40 a month of the United States in that it had each, the town furnishing the uni- on its board two Shirases, and one forms and hats and other parapher- of these a grandaddy Shiras who malia, and in addition to this al- had voted twice for the \$100 salary, route from coast to coast, opening owed the police to divide among but all of a sudden something came themselves all the costs they collect- over their dreams and they saw a of for making arrests and summon-new light. Am often amused watchmg witnesses. This I understand ing the manoeuvring of some of the would amount to \$10 a month a- commissioners, they remind me of a This made the chief's job jumping jack. Suppose all the readworth 870 a month and the other ers of the Gold Leaf remember a toy North Carolina, South Carolina, and *50 together with the clothing. I that was very popular a few years by then and still think that the ago It was a wooden monkey with ago It was a wooden monkey with will make Florida, Alabama, Missispay was adequate for the services strings and springs so that every time you would pull the string the was some two or three applications monkey would jump. In this case, transcontinental record in any one for each position. The big five of the board had spoken twice in due, the board selected four of these men, solemn form, saying \$100 shall be two of whom I thought were the best the salary of the mayor, but what men applying, and two the sorriest. difference did that make? Somebody This however is only my opinion. pulled the string and the monkey Anyway, the men selected were ask- jumped, and with it \$200 mysteriing for the job and accepted, know- ously disappeared from the town mg what they were to get and were treasury into the mayor's pocket. No

P. CHURCH.

Below we are giving the readers of the Gold Leaf a good cut of Mr. Butler is a master in the vocal music art and a fine director of a choir. His style of work and peculiarly beautiful and appealing qualities of voice have placed his services are to have charge of the singing at the Methodis Protection of the Methodis Protection in these services are to have charge of the singing at the Methodis Protection of the Methodis Protection in these services. Especially all those who sing, a special choir will be organized to



CHARLES U. BUTLER, Evangelistic Singer.

ever occurred to you that the unusual that the recorder would relieve the Interesting Story Told by Hender- Haag Shows Are Seen by a Pleased formance this afternoon will join in son Woman.

There were several young ladies in Despite the threatening weather There will be another performance their paraphernalia to go away to Show parade this morning and a o'clock, performance at eight .- Wincollege this fall and were talking tent full of pleased patrons testifled ston-Salem Daily Sentimel. about what they were going to get. their approval of what proved to be Mrs. L. C. Edwards, of this place, one of the best real: us performsays: "I want to tell you young wo- years. The program included many promising attractions at the Grand | men about my paraphernalia that I excellent acts, seven or eight of them Theatre this season will be "The took with me to college when I went among the best seen here; in fact, Nest Egg" which comes fresh from in 1863. It was during the war and the best in the business, as the man- its triumphs in New York and Chicaof course I had to make everything ager announced. The show is con- go, in both of which cities it proved myself with little to make it out of, ducted evidently by real business among the notable successes last My outfit was two cotton and one men, who do not permit gambling in season, and which will be seen here woolen homespun dresses that I spun any form and not an oath or intem- for the first time on next Monday and wove myself and paid \$100 for perate remark was heard on the evening. Sept. 11th. The cast inthe cotton, which amount I received grounds. The parade was the finest cludes familiar names and there is from a lady for making her a pal- for its size that has been seen here. plenty of heart interest, homely metto hat. My woolen dress and my On the whole it is a good, clean, clev- philosophy and ludicrous situations cloak were trimmed with large brass er show, and those who saw the per- in this play of Miss Caldwell's. buttons which I cut off of my dead brother's Confederate uniform. made my hat of palmetto that my soldier brothers had sent me from the coast at Wilmington. Our old colored slave made my shoes out of dog skin and my fur cape was made out of the rabbit and 'possum skins that I had saved and tanned myself. My collars were crotched out of the ravelings of India cotton stockings. I had one bought dress. It was purple worsted and cost one dollar a yard. I packed my clothes in an old homemade leather trunk that be longed to an older member of the family and started to Yadkin College in the western part of the State.

Mrs. Edwards said that she felt very much discouraged at starting to college with that kind of a paraphernalia but after arriving at the college she was delighted to find that she was as nicely dressed a young

An Epoch in Showdom.

When Mr. Haag decided to inaugu-rate his 15th year as a successful purveyor of first class amusements, to the public he mapped out his his season in early March at Shreveport. Since then the show has traversed the states of Texas, Califor nia, Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma Illinois, Indiana, West Virginia Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, Ohio, sippi, and Louisiana, establishing a transcontinental record never atseason. The show has used 56 railroads so far this season, exhibiting twice daily with the exception of

Sunday. Nature has been very good to the mighty Haag shows this season, having been exceptionally so in the wild animal department. The baby camel, Lula, is easily the favorite baby, with the baby elephant close behind. Daily you can witness the children of the different cities picking their favorite baby in the big men-

The mighty Haag shows will ex-

same police and got no better ser- year for presiding over the board of to Henderson last week. Mr. Pate vice. I said then and maintain now commissioners, and \$200 a year for has a position at the garage and that not a single man who voted for acting in a dignified manner. These has been at work there for the past this increase would have done so had parties claim to be a friend to the few weeks. They have taken rooms the money been coming out of his mayor, but I contend that they in the home of Mr. Pate's brother, (Continued on page four.) Mr. A. W. Pate, on Arch street.

the hope that the Haag Shows will

a local store a few days ago buying many hundreds witnessed the Haag tonight doors opening at seven

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