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RUTHERFORDTON, N. C., THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 16, 1905.

\$1.00 A YEAR.

## THE JURORS FOR SPRING COURT.

Monthly Report Of Rutherford County Commissioners.

ALL CLAIMS ORDERED PAID.

**Mr. G. A. McDaniel Tendered His Resignation As Coroner And Dr. Geo. P. Reid Elected To Fill The Unexpired Term of Mr. McDaniel.**

The Board of County Commissioners were in session Monday and Tuesday of last week, the full Board, Messrs. C. M. Lynce, Joseph Miller and Richard Ledbetter, being present.

The following business was transacted and claims ordered paid:

On August 1, 1904, a petition was presented asking a public road laid out from the graded road at Wm. McDowell's to the incorporate limits of the town of Rutherfordton, same having been advertised, laid out and worked out ready for traveling. Therefore it is ordered that the same be turned over to the supervisor of Rutherfordton township.

J. M. Smith be paid \$1 for one day as judge of election, November 1904, Rutherfordton township.

Edwards & Broughton be paid \$5.25 for civil and criminal bar docket.

Geo. Logan be paid \$2.90 for one day service as juror, fall term, 1904, and mileage.

W. C. Tucker's time as a foot pedler be extended for the term of one year from this date.

J. O. Scruggs be paid \$2 for two days service as judge of election at Haynes' box, one day challenge day.

Walker Evans & Cogswell Co., be paid \$12 for one record of deeds.

J. P. Jones be paid \$25.65 for two days as clerk of board and issuing two notices, 48 warrants, recording bonds, etc.

A petition was presented for a public road to lead from the old Lincolnton road at B. Blanton's, running through the lands of B. Blanton, G. A. Price, Wm. Young, A. Z. Price, S. O. Hawkins, Bunn Philbeck and J. P. Walker's to the Walker old mill, to be advertised.

G. A. Price be paid \$10.96 for lumber and nails for public road.

B. R. Butler be paid \$18 for lumber for bridge near Floyd's creek.

A petition was presented for an election to be held in school district No. 7 and 5 under section 72 of the public school law of North Carolina, 1903, and the petition having been signed by one fourth of the citizens of said district as the law requires and also recommended by the County Board of Education. It is therefore ordered that said election be held at the school house in said district on the 11th day of March 1905 to ascertain whether or not a tax of 30 cts. on 100 dollars worth of property and 90 cents on the poll shall be levied to supplement the school fund in said district.

Also ordered that J. K. Grayson be appointed registrar and J. E. Bostic and Dan Brandall be appointed judges to hold said election.

O. B. Cross be appointed overseer of Island Ford road from A. C. Moore's to Floyd Creek, it being the dividing line between Rutherfordton and Cool Spring township with following lands to wit: Geo. Griffin, J. T. Daniel, Isaac Simmons, Geo. Green and James Walker.

The order concerning the letting of court house made on June 6, 1904, see page 158 on minute docket be and is hereby recorded and it is ordered that the same be turned over to the sheriff of Rutherfordton county, he being the custodian of same.

Geo. Biggerstaff, County Treasurer, presented 5 court house bond coupons amounting to \$682, all due February 3rd, 1905, same cancelled and filed.

J. M. Webb, Jr., be released of poll tax for the year 1904 and until revoked on account of disability.

The Commissioners together with the Sheriff and Clerk of Court proceeded to draw the jury for the March term of Superior Court 1905, which resulted as follows:

### FIRST WEEK.

J. T. Henson, A. S. Rollins, Joe M. Hodge, A. F. Geer, J. J. Lancaster, C. E. Edgerton, A. L. Robbins, Moses J. Hall, J. S. Wall, Isaac Hollifield, M. K. Lynch, J. R. McDaniel, R. M. Wilson, J. M. Yelton, E. H. Doggett, W. M. Fortune, Ed. Thompson, J. P. Wright, W. E. Plack, H. P. Abrams, W. J. Reid, J. H. Blanton, Bate Wilson, J. W. Grayson, G. J. Blanton, J. S. Carson, B. F. Towler, J. L. Wells, Joseph Goode, T. M. Lynch, D. A. Lollar, C. H. Hyder, J. Wiggins, A. H. Lynch, J. P. Hyder, Joseph M. Walker.

### SECOND WEEK.

H. E. Coffee, S. O. Padgett, A. L. Epley, A. B. Grayson, J. F. Gurley, W. T. Davis, N. H. Biggerstaff, J. M. Walker, M. D. Harris, A. L. Smart, G. C. Toney, Chas. D. Bell, P. G. Womick, John Guffy, J. K. Grayson, R. P. Ensey, R. B. Quinn, J. K. Hendrix.

J. F. Edwards be paid \$6.79 for money advanced for expense at county home.

Whereas, a petition was filed on June 22nd, 1905, asking a change in the pub-

lic road leading from Cedar Creek to Shingle Hollow over the land of Elijah Kooze, Noah Jolly, Frank Reynolds, J. H. Bird, Plato McEntire, and Henry Melton's, the same having been advertised as required by law, and no petition having been filed against said change, it is therefore ordered that the sheriff summons a jury of 5 good and lawful men to lay off and make said change, also that the parties have been notified that said petition was filed.

G. A. McDaniel, who was elected coroner for Rutherford county on November 4th, 1904, and whereas, said G. A. McDaniel has left the county and has tendered his resignation as coroner of said county and his resignation has been accepted by the Commissioners of said county, and it appearing to the Board that it is necessary that a coroner be appointed, therefore the Board of Commissioners do hereby elect and appoint Dr. Geo. P. Reid, of Forest City, to fill the unexpired term of G. A. McDaniel as coroner for Rutherford county. It is further ordered that C. M. Lynch, Chairman of Board is hereby authorized and empowered to accept the bond of Dr. Geo. P. Reid as coroner for said county.

E. M. Hall be paid \$2.88 for 288 feet of lumber for bridge.

J. D. Justice be paid 60 cents for serving 2 road orders.

The Sun Printing Company be paid \$13 for stationery furnished to the Clerk and Sheriff and Commissioners' office.

E. A. Martin be paid \$12 for expense, time and team conveying W. A. Owens, insane, to Morganton Asylum.

E. A. Martin be paid \$55.20 for feed-prisoners, turn keys, etc., of jail to February 1, 1905.

**PERSONAL AND LOCAL.**

**Things The Sun Man Finds On His Raunds To Write About.**

—Watch the people who advertise and see if they do not get the trade.

—Mr. J. W. Elliott, one of Gilkey's good citizens, was in town Friday.

—The Seaboard Air Line has a new advertisement in another column. Read it.

—Mr. R. M. Taylor, one of Forest City's clever citizens, was in town Monday.

—The weather prophets claim that last week was the worst weather in 35 years.

—The R. R. Haynes store at Henrietta is selling Rock Hill buggies this week for only \$49.50.

—The Sun and The Charlotte Observer one year each for \$1.50. The Observer twice a week.

—Cashier Dorsey, of The Bank of Rutherfordton, was absent from the bank Thursday on account of illness.

—Mr. W. J. Hines, one of Gilkey's good citizens and a good friend of The Sun, was in town on business last week.

—The Tribune office will be stored away in the rooms in the basement of the Clark building, pending several contemplated trades.

—The country merchants are beginning to find out that advertising pays from the looks of the advertising columns of The Sun.

—Judge M. H. Justice came home Wednesday from Pender county where he has been holding court and left again Sunday for Mecklenburg to hold court.

—The Atlanta Constitution, Sunny South, Charlotte Observer and The Sun, four papers, all one year each, for only \$2.20. The regular price of them all is \$3.50.

—The Sun was informed a few days ago by a prominent Republican that he did not think that the Republicans would start a new paper in Rutherfordton any time soon.

—Hon. Jeff Hampton was an attractive visitor in the city Thursday. He was enjoying the snowballing and sleighing while here as much as a six year old kid.

—The Sun is sorry to learn that its good friend, Mr. J. P. D. Withrow, was quite sick for several days last week. He is able to be out this week but is not entirely well.

—Don't forget to vote or take a due bill in the Diamond King Contest for every cent you spend in The Sun office. You are entitled to it and The Sun hopes all will vote.

—The Sun office has been over run with job printing for the past three weeks which goes to show that the work done at this office is better and cheaper than you can get elsewhere.

—Mrs. Albert Homesley, nee Miss Julia Carpenter, of New York, who has been here several months visiting her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Carpenter, returned to her home last week.

—Mr. T. L. McBrayer, of R. F. D. No. 1, was in town on business Friday and gave The Sun a pleasant call. Mr. McBrayer is a popular merchant in that section and he is going to tell the people about close prices in an ad in The Sun for the next few months. He proposes to open people's eyes on prices.

## FOREST CITY NEWS NOTES.

**Wess Lynch's Hold-Up Story A Fake And Farce.**

**THE EXCITEMENT SUBSIDES.**

**It is Believed That The Boy Done His Own Disrobing And Slashed His Clothes In Order To Get A Pair Of Coveted Long Pants.**

(Special to The Sun.)

FOREST CITY, February 10.—Since the excitement has died down, which was caused by the announcement over the 'phone and in the papers, that "Wess Lynch had been disrobed in the woods near Cox's crossing by the three negro high-way-men," the people have made diligent inquiry into the matter, and many circumstances connected with the case, points to the conclusion that the whole story was a fake and farce. It seems that Wess had for some time wanted a pair of long pants, as he had wore "knee-pants" until he had become tired of this "high-water-cut" style, but for some cause or another, he did not get them, and it's the general impression among the people that Master Wess adopted the method pursued to acquire the much desired low-water-cut style of pants, obtained after the aforesaid short pants had been confiscated in the woods.

The "negro-high-way-men" story is a fake story out of the whole cloth, for diligent search has been made by the officials, and many others, who had been impressed by the tale that was told, and no trace of the men could be found, nor has it been possible to find out whether or not "three negroes" had been seen on the railroad that day, in the neighborhood of where this crime was said to have been committed. If the story is true, and the negroes did take his clothing, why did they leave them in the woods where they took them off of him? And why did they cut up the pants and not the coat? After gathering all the facts connected with the case that is possible to get, it seems very evident that the whole affair was a well matured plan of Master Wess simply to get the much coveted and greatly desired long pants and to get rid of the short ones, as they were cut and slashed with his knife so that they could not be worn when found and they were found near the place where he said they were taken off of him, and no trace of the "high-way-men" has ever yet been found. Master Wess came very near getting his father into trouble over some "shopping" that he had sent him to do—and this misrepresentation of his to his father—makes the people doubt his story of the "negro high-way-men" stealing his clothes.

Messrs. J. C. Harrill and H. L. Hyder have formed a copartnership in the grocery business, and are holding forth in the J. B. Long old stand on the north corner of Public Square. They carry a very good line of goods and sell as cheap as anybody.

Rev. T. T. Moss and son, William, it is reported, will soon open up a line of groceries in the B. C. King old stand.

Mr. W. C. Moss and family will soon move from Caroleen to Forest City, and it is said, will occupy a dwelling on Ewell street. We always welcome such good citizens to our town.

The arctic weather has caught many of our people without a supply of wood and water, but they still have faith in the promise, "The Lord will provide."

"Multiply and replenish the earth" was not a vane Divine injunction. The latest evidence of obedience to this command is found at Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Doggett's. Its a girl.

Mr. J. T. King, one of our best citizens, is now confined to his home with dropsical affections, which give him much trouble. We hope to see him out soon again.

That sterling gentleman and alround mill man, Capt. E. J. Barnett, superintendent of the Florence Mills, keeps the wheels of that industry flying regardless of winter snow and sleet or arctic winds, "You can't down a laboring man."

The Florence Mills pay off their hands twice a month now—on the first and tenth—on the first in goods and on the tenth in "cash" or "accounts."

It was not for the Florence Mills at Forest City, which give employment to hundreds of laborers, this cold snap and drabbling snow would have many little arches in doors without food or fire. You may "ouss the mills" for working long hours, yet many there are, who would go hungry and naked if we did not have the mills among us.

Forest City is the most progressive town in western North Carolina, and has made greater improvements in the past ten years than any town in the State west of Charlotte.

"Fifty demerits" in the Forest City graded school entitles the "holder" to a week's vacation. Only one has as yet gone on vacation. Many more may follow.

This "boozy" weather makes many fellows wish Marion's adulterated poison was closer at hand, even if it did

## CIVIL CASE COURT CALANDAR.

Civil Cases Which Will Be Tried At The Spring Term Of Rutherford Superior Court Beginning March 13th.

At a meeting of the bar of Rutherford county the following calendar of cases for trial at the March Term, 1905, was adopted. No case will be called for trial before the day on which it is set for trial, and suitors and witnesses need not attend before such time.

**Friday, March 17th, 1905.**

No. — G. & C. Kistler vs. Simmons. McB. & J.  
No. 64. McB. & J. Callahan vs. Railroad. S. & R. & H.  
No. 89. M. & M. & E. Bridges vs. Railroad. R. & H. & Shaw.  
No. 4. E. & R. Trout vs. Trout. G. & C.  
No. 5. G. & C. Tilden vs. Taylor. Mull.  
No. 13. McB. & J. Lattimore vs. Lattimore.  
No. 14. Turner vs. Turner.

**Saturday, March 18th, 1905.**

No. 18. E. & R. Doggett vs. Proctor. McB. & J.

**Monday, March 20th, 1905.**

No. 19. E. & R. Doggett vs. Wilkins. McB. & J.  
No. 32. E. & R. & E. Edwards vs. Farquhar Co. McB. & J.  
No. 42. J. & P. & R. Horton vs. Telephone Co. McB. & J. & Webb  
No. 33. McB. & J. Toney vs. Martin. G. & C.

**Tuesday, March 21st, 1905.**

No. 45. McB. & J. Withrow vs. Long. G. & C.  
No. 47. E. & R. Trout vs. Bostic. McB. & J.  
No. 50. G. C. J. McDaniel vs. Gettys. McB. & J.  
No. 51. R. & H. Shuford vs. Telegraph Co. Whitson.  
No. 53. McB. & J. Hamrick vs. Telegraph Co. Whitson.  
No. 54. E. & R. Doggett vs. Hardin. McB. & J.

**Wednesday, March 22nd, 1905.**

No. 56. McB. & J. Roland vs. Morrow et al. Justice & McRorie.  
No. 58. G. & C. Carriage Co. vs. McFarland. G. C. J.  
No. 59. McDaniel vs. McClure. McB. & J.  
No. 61. McB. & J. Freeman vs. Black.  
No. 62. E. & R. Bright vs. Younce. McB. & J.  
No. 63. Morrow. Hamrick vs. Hamrick.

**Thursday, March 23rd, 1905.**

No. 66. McB. & J. Kooze vs. Goforth. S. M. & S.  
No. 67. E. & R. Long vs. McBrayer. G. & C.  
No. 69. G. & C. Wilkins vs. Hampton. M. & S.  
No. 70. M. & S. Butler vs. McEntire. G. & C.  
No. 71. Q. & H. Stewart vs. Beam. McB. & J.  
No. 72. Q. & H. Biggerstaff vs. Beam. McB. & J.  
No. 73. McB. & J. Fee vs. Waters. McB. & J.  
No. 74. Waters vs. Fee. McB. & J.

**Friday, March 24th, 1905.**

No. 75. McB. & J. Rice vs. Tredway. G. C. J.  
No. 76. E. & R. Davis vs. McBrayer. G. & C.  
No. 77. E. & R. Davis vs. Gamble. G. & C.  
No. 82. McB. & J. Michael vs. Arrowood. E. & G. & C.  
No. 83. E. & R. Gault vs. Gault.  
No. 84. McB. & J. Digh vs. Digh.  
No. 85. McB. & J. Moore vs. Railroad. Basin & Justice.  
No. 86. McB. & J. Houser vs. Hyder. Eaves.  
No. 87. E. G. & C. Oldfield vs. Oakwood Manufacturing Co. McB. & J.  
No. 90. E. & R. Goode vs. Withrow et al.  
No. 91. G. C. J. & Eaves. Hill vs. Fisher. McB. & J.  
No. 92. G. C. J. Harrill vs. McBrayer. McB. & J.  
No. 93. E. & R. & G. Whiteside vs. Whiteside. G. C. J.

Note—There will be no jury trials on Saturday, March 25th, as that day is set aside exclusively for the argument of motions and the transaction of other business.

**FEED THE POOR BIRDS.**

The Present Cold Spell Destructive To Their Lives.

Game Warden J. D. Justice received a telegram Friday from the secretary of the State Audubon Society instructing him to buy grain and go out and feed the birds, which he did promptly and effectively.

The present prolonged cold spell is resulting in great destruction of life among the wild birds over large areas of the State. Snow and ice cover the ground, and thus the seeds of the weeds and grass in the fields are beyond their reach. Each morning on the ground under the cedar trees in our woods may be found the frozen bodies of our little friends, who, weakened by exposure and famine, have died during the night and fallen from their perches.

Many of us can do much for the relief of the birds by providing them with food; crackers, crumbs, corn or peas scattered in the field will be greatly sought by the hungry, shivering covers of quail. Bread crumbs or grits placed among the branches of the trees a few feet from the ground will be the salvation of many birds.

Children will take great pleasure in this if their attention would be called to the matter. The birds at this moment need our urgent assistance.

"I am a native of Rutherford county and I like to hear from home and I don't know any better way than to take your paper—wish you much success," writes Mr. P. N. Martin, of Greenville, S. C.

gives but an hour's ease, and an eternity of hell. Some people don't think of the hereafter.

Our chief has been snowed under, or has fallen by the wayside—we haven't seen him on the streets since the snow fell. Possibly he has gone rabbit hunting, or is looking for Wess Lynch's high-way robbers. We can't tell.

There is nothing that succeeds like success these cold days, except a drink of "Life Elixir" turned down—except it comes from Marion.

## Lynch Affair Remains A Mystery.

So far as The Sun can learn the Wessie Lynch affair, an account of which appeared in The Sun some weeks ago, remains a mystery. It has been reported that the matter was a game played by white boys at Forest City, who blacked themselves and met young Lynch on the road to scare him in order to get even with him for telling tales on them in school some months ago, but this is not believed to be true by any one at Forest City. Prof. Lynch, Wessie's father, was here last week and was asked about the matter, but refused to talk further about the affair more than to say he had nothing to give out at present.

## TAKE A GUESS

On the number of parts (individual pieces) in a Steiff or a Shaw or a Kohler piano. For 30 nearest guesses on each piano we will issue coupon which will entitle you to a receipt for \$25.00 payment on any piano you may select when you are ready to buy. Guesses will be received in Charlotte office not later than April 1st 1905, date of our removal. Watch for our next ad.

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## FOUR KILLED IN COLLISION.

Passenger and Freight Trains Meet On Straight Track.

(By Associated Press.)  
NASHVILLE, TENN., January 27.—A southbound passenger train and northbound freight train on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad met in collision today near Tullahoma, Tenn., killing four trainmen and injuring several passengers, none seriously.

The dead:  
William Ray, engineer on passenger train, Nashville, Tenn.  
Joseph Suggs, engineer on freight, Nashville, Tenn.  
J. H. Suggs, son of Joseph Suggs, fireman on passenger.  
John Burrell, colored porter.

The trains met on a straight track. Responsibility for the accident has not been placed.

[Mrs. R. B. Clark and Miss Alice Guthrie were on this train at the time of the wreck, but being in the sleeper, did not know of it until it was all over. They were on their way here from Fort Worth, Texas.—The Sun.]

## CROWELL AND WILKIE,

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