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TREASURY EMPTY

The County is Now Out of Funds

RAY'S POLICY APPROVED

The County Commissioners Refused to Order a New Registration for the Special School Election Which Means the Defeat of the Bond Proposition.

The board of county commissioners met again this morning, all being present.

Commissioner Barbee and county attorney J. C. L. Harris, who were appointed a special committee to examine the management of the county work house, offered their report.

The report is as follows: "To the Board of Commissioners: The undersigned committee to examine into the management of the convicts of the county, submits the following report:

"We have carefully examined into the regulations, care, management and working of the convicts and find that there has been no changes there-in from such as have existed since the establishment of the work house, and that the present management merits the approval of the Board of Commissioners. This system requires the making and use of convicts as trustees, which has been the rule heretofore and which has been continued since December, 1896. Such convicts of this rule of management were all for short terms and there is nothing unusual in the exercise and continuance of this policy. It worked well under former management and is doing so now.

"We therefore, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of this matter."

(Signed) RUFUS BARBEE,
J. C. L. HARRIS,
Committee.

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The report was unanimously accepted and the committee discharged.

The publication of the delinquent tax list was given to the Gaulester for \$40.

The bond of W. D. Peed as constable in Oak Grove township was accepted.

Vouchers approved amounted to \$1,603.46. Treasurer Knight says that there is no money in the treasury of the county now. Last year the money did not run out until May, but Treasurer Knight says the funds were exhausted sooner this year because the election on special school tax question last August cost the county nearly \$1,500 and was not worth a cent. He says, however, that some more money will come into the treasury when the list of delinquent tax payers is published. The collection of taxes under schedule "B" will also help the treasury.

The commissioners led by the Chairman Hill were unanimous in refusing to order a new registration for the election to be held in Raleigh township June 14th to decide about the \$25,000 in bonds for the public schools. A new registration would have been a heavy expense to the tax payers and many were heard to heartily commend the action of the board.

The refusal of the board to order a new registration undoubtedly means the defeat of the proposed bond issue and it is not improbable that the school committee will withdraw their request for a special election at the next session of the commissioners.

The registrars and poll holders for this election will be appointed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners, the clerk of the court and the register of deeds.

NEVER CAME BACK

A Negro Borrower a Mule from Chas. McCullers and Then Disappears.

This morning Charles McCullers, colored, of Swift Creek township, was in the city seeking for one Sylvester Smith, who borrowed his mule to come to Raleigh last Monday morning.

About two years ago this negro, calling himself Sylvester Smith went to the house of Charlie McCullers, and stayed several days. The creek was up and the roads were bad and that was his excuse for tarrying. On leaving he told McCullers that he would come back to see him some time. Last Friday this fellow Smith came back to McCullers' house, which is near the residence of Dr. McCullers, and remained until Monday. About 6 o'clock Monday morning he told McCullers that he wanted to come to Raleigh and asked him to lend him his mule that he would be back by 12 o'clock so that McCullers could plow in the afternoon. McCullers borrowed a saddle from Mr. Rufus Sorrell for Smith. The last seen of Smith or the mule they were going towards Raleigh.

McCullers says that Smith is about 35 or 34 years old, weighs about 160 pounds, is about 5 feet 9 inches in height and has a full face.

The stolen animal is a dark bay mare mule, with her left eye out and she holds her tongue out of the left side of her mouth.

Hon. Clement Manly, of Winston, the Chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee, was a visitor in the city yesterday. Mr. Manly speaks most encouragingly of the approaching Democratic State Convention, which he says will out class all previous assemblages of the Democratic hosts.

Mr. Manly says the Convention will once for all settle the course of the party to be pursued in the coming campaign.

Mr. M. J. Hawkins arrived in the city yesterday.

SCHOOL LITERATURE PUB. CO.

A Revolution in Education—The School Book Question Solved—Southern Authors to be Editors.

A number of business men of this city are engaged in perfecting a scheme that, it is claimed, will completely revolutionize the public school system of education.

The proposition is to do away with school books entirely, and substitute in lieu thereof, a monthly publication, to be known as, "The Graded School Teacher." There will be three separate issues, each month. The Primary, Intermediate; and Advanced. These periodicals will be edited by a staff, of the ablest Southern school book authors. Each of the series, will be handsomely illustrated, issued in the highest style of the printers art, and will contain (each issue) lessons arranged for four weeks, suited to the grade, or classification of the pupil. The make up of the second and third series, will be such, that the biographical and historical studies, after the completion of a sufficient number of consecutive chapters can be bound, forming a complete volume.

A special feature during vacation will be articles on the higher schools and colleges of the State, reviews of the educational work of the past session, suggestions for the next scholastic term, normal schools, Teachers Institute, summer reading and other matter of educational interest. The price per year, for any one of the series, will be one dollar.

The author of the scheme, Mr. P. C. Ennis, of this city, gives the following information concerning the enterprise. He says:

There are 750,000 pupils attending the public and private schools of this State. This too, outside of college walls—it is not intended by this move, only the public and private schools. The average cost for books, per annum, per capita is averaged at two dollars. This is rather under and by no means an over estimate of what each child pays yearly for books. So if there are 750,000 pupils paying two dollars each, this shows that the sum of \$1,500,000 is annually spent for school books. It is proposed by the "School Literature Publishing Company," to supply, not only more school literature, but better and more acceptable literature, for just one half the cost. In addition to reducing the cost to one half in the purchase of school books, the money that is now sent out of the State will remain at home.

This plan does away entirely with the everlasting changing of books each session. It puts a quietus on the sectional books being forced on the South. It will put an end to book wars that rage so fiercely during the sessions of the legislature and school boards. It rids the State of all the schemes carried on by Northern competition publishers through introductory book agents, which in many instances are demoralizing, corrupting and unfair. It will prevent the spread of contagious diseases, so often carried from house to house by the use of second-hand books. It will free the over-burdened scholar from the yoke of many books. It will make possible the education of thousands of children who are unable to purchase books at the present high prices. It will inaugurate a perfect and uniform system of education. It will save every dollar that goes abroad for school books to our own people, to be re-invested in enterprises to build up our State.

Let us enlarge a little, and see how this plan would save thousands to the State. There are 8,000,000 school population in the Southern States. At two dollars each this is \$16,000,000. Now, suppose this is done annually for twenty-five years what do we save? Why, only \$400,000,000. Now, ask ourselves the question, Have we not been doing this already for twenty-five years? From this standpoint it looks as if the school book question was more of a financial than sectional authors, etc.

The South will not put millions of money into large publishing houses, it is not necessary that this should be done. The plan proposed will however enable our people to keep our money at home. It is to be expected that the enterprise will be characterized as impracticable and visionary and the money of the rich book-syndicate of the North will oppose it and do all that can be done to defeat it.

The name Southern Literature Publishing Company has been decided upon. Application has been made for copyright of the title and many details have been worked out. It will be some time yet, however, before the organization assumes final shape.

SHOT IN DURHAM

A Negro Shot Superintendent Buck Andrews and Escaped.

Mr. George Hardin returned from Durham this morning and brought the news of a shooting affair which occurred there a few moments before the train left. Mr. William Andrews holds a responsible position in Duke's factory. He seems to have had some trouble, the nature of which cannot be learned, with a negro named Green in the factory. Green drew a pistol and shot Mr. Andrews in the right side. Green then made his escape and when the train left had not been captured.

Mr. Andrews walked out of the factory and was carried home in a carriage. The extent of his injuries are unknown. Mr. Andrews has a family in Durham. He was once a prominent baseball player.

TRAIN DELAYED

Two Cars Carrying Sailors to Norfolk Pass Through.

This afternoon train number 71 of the Southern Railway was an hour and a half late. The delay was caused by three extra cars, two coaches and a baggage car, carrying a number of United States sailors from Texas to Norfolk for the war vessels there.

FURTHER DELAY BECAME NECESSARY

The Lives of the Americans in Havana Are in Jeopardy.

AN AMERICAN CONSUL HELD BY THE SPANIARDS

President McKinley's Message, Which is Withheld Until Monday at General Lee's Request, Will be Firm and Vigorous—The President Will Discuss the Maine Disaster and Say That the Guilty Must be Punished—

A Plan to Make the Canaries the Basis for Naval Operations.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—Congress has decided that when the President's message is received it will be referred by both Houses to their committees on foreign relations, which are ready to act immediately.

If necessary Consul General Lee's request for more time will be heeded but, if Lee is safe out of Havana, tomorrow at ten o'clock McKinley's message will be reported to Congress by the committee with the recommendation to act immediately.

Tremendous pressure is brought to bear in both houses this morning to compel postponement of final action until tomorrow.

OFFICERS OVERWHELMED.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—Crowds unprecedented through the Capitol as it listened to the Cuban message. Officers were overwhelmed by the stampede.

WOMEN FAINTED.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—Never has Congress and the halls been so crowded as today. Many women have fainted.

SHERMAN SAYS CONGRESS WILL SUPPORT PRESIDENT.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. New York, April 6.—Secretary Sherman said today that he expected the unanimous support of both Houses without regard to political affiliations in President McKinley's Cuban policy.

SENATE COMMITTEE AT WORK.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—The Senate foreign relations committee has resumed the discussion of the Cuban resolution for the purpose of changing it to meet the recommendations of President McKinley.

SUPPORTING MCKINLEY.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—The conservative element of the Senate met this morning to consider what to do in case the resolution is reported calling for the recognition of Cuban independence. A general purpose is expressed to oppose the adoption of any resolutions not confined to the support of the President's plan for intervention.

WILL BE NO DELAY.

Senate and House Committees Will Report a Resolution Identical—Frye and McKinley Confer.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—Senator Frye of the foreign relations committee, called on President McKinley at noon and talked with the President about his message and how it should be handled by Congress. The Senate and House committees will act together and report a resolution identical in form so there may be no delay from differences between the two houses. Senator Frye has submitted his resolution embodying the recommendations of the President.

CAUCUS TONIGHT.

The Republicans Will Then Decide About Their Action on President's Message.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—The Republicans of both houses will caucus at eight o'clock tonight when action on the President's message will be decided upon.

There is the greatest activity in the war and navy departments. Telegraph and telephones are kept busy.

General Lee says that he can leave Havana at noon.

THE CINCINNATI AGROUND.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Key West, April 6.—The Cruiser Cincinnati is aground in the middle of the harbor. She ran into a mud bank opposite the government wharf. The tug Triton is trying to get her off.

DISTRESS IN HAANA.

The Lives of Americans in Havana are in Great Danger.

Washington, April 6.—Consul General Lee called the President four times today that a riot has broken out in Havana, and that volunteers are in possession of the streets. He said if the message was sent in a massacre might take place.

Lee says there are 2,000 Americans now in Havana. It was this information which caused the President to defer his message.

Lee further says the situation is grave in the extreme, and that the appeal for the postponement of the message cannot be made too strong. He duplicated the cablegrams to insure against accident.

It is now understood the message will be held up until Monday.

Fifty Republican members of the House who are in favor of taking immediate action in regard to the war question, held a conference this morning, but adjourned until tonight without action.

NAVAL HOSPITAL.

Negotiations are nearly closed for the purchase of four torpedo boats in Germany.

The Cuban Junta at New York accuses the United States of being involved in a jobbing scheme, and says Cubans will resist intervention without recognition of independence.

AMERICANS IN DANGER.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—When the official announcement was brought from the white house by chairman Davis that the lives of Americans unable to leave Havana today would be in danger if the message was read today, the Senate agreed to wait over Sunday.

CONSUL IN CUBA HELD UP.

The President Keeps Back His Message on This Account.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—There is great excitement at the State Department over a cablegram from Consul General Lee that one of the Consuls in Cuba has been held up and cannot get away. His name is not known but President McKinley has delayed his message on that account so as to protect this United States consul.

FORECAST OF THE MESSAGE.

The Safety of Americans in Havana Demand Delay.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, D. C., April 6.—The message is delayed waiting for Lee and the other Americans to get away safely. They cannot get transportation sufficient.

The following is a correct forecast of the important provisions of the message: Its tone is firm and vigorous. It will recommend that the President be empowered to use armed land and naval forces to expel Spain from Cuba. The qualification "at his discretion," so strongly urged by one element in Congress will not be included in the message; it will be left to Congress to say whether authority shall be exercised by the President immediately or at his discretion. There will be no recommendation for recognition of Cuban independence. The President is unalterable opposed to such action at the present time.

LOADED WITH REFUGEES.

Steamer Carrying Lee to Key West Crowded.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Key West, April 6.—An air of extreme tension prevails in this city today in anticipation of the crisis. Preparations are being made to receive Consul General Lee. His room has been engaged in the hotel. The government steamship coming from Havana is loaded to the guards with refugees.

PACIFIC SQUADRON PREPARING FOR SEA.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor. Hong Kong, April 6.—The United States fleet is preparing for sea. Coal is being purchased for the warships.

WALKER MAY COMMAND.

The Canary Islands Will be Seized and Made the Basis of Operations.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—A majority of both Houses of Congress will follow the President. Attorney General Griggs says that he understands that General Lee sails today.

Rear Admiral Walker, retired, conferred with Secretary of the Navy Long today regarding the situation. This fact has revived the rumor that the administration is seriously considering placing him in supreme command of the entire naval force in home waters.

The plan of action for the naval forces in event of hostilities has been completed. A naval official says that the flying squadron will seize the Canaries, which they will use as a base of operations and intercept Spanish merchantmen, and attack the Spanish seaports.

ENGLAND WITH US.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor. London, April 6.—England has assured the United States of its fullest and most cordial sympathy in the Cuban policy of the United States.

FLYING SQUADRON OFF FOR SEA.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—The flying squadron is under sealed orders to proceed to sea.

TEXAS JOINS THE SQUADRON.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Brooklyn, April 6.—The Texas, has been stripped for war and sailed to join the flying squadron this morning.

FIVE MILLIONS IN GOLD.

The President Will Not Send It Until the Stock Market Closes.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—The steamer Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse arrived from Europe last night and brought five million and two hundred thousand dollars in gold.

MARRIAGE TO-MORROW.

At 10:30 o'clock to-morrow morning, Miss Eleanor Catharine Shively and Jacob Steiner Allen, Jr., will be married at the Edenton Street Methodist church.

TWO CORPORATIONS.

A Building and Loan Association and a Telephone Company Incorporated.

Mr. Hoffman, N. B. Jones and A. M. McDowell, all of Halifax county have filed articles of agreement for the incorporation of the Scotland Neck Telephone Company. The charter is granted for thirty years, capital stock \$1,000 with the privilege of increasing the same to \$10,000.

The Cabarrus county Building and Loan Association was incorporated today by the Secretary of State with the following incorporators John C. Wadsworth, E. B. Coltrane, J. M. Odell, W. R. Bell, F. L. Robbins, D. P. Dayvault, W. H. Lilly, D. D. Johnson. The capital stock is not to exceed \$250,000. Place of business Concord.

FIRE THIS MORNING.

This morning about 11:30 an alarm of fire was turned in from box 27. All the companies responded promptly. The fire was in a little cottage, corner of Cabarrus and Blount streets. The extent of the damages was the destruction of a feather bed. It was not found necessary to turn on the water. The colored fire company will out with its beautiful new wagon for the first time today and this wagon was greatly admired by all.

SPAIN SURRENDERS SHORT STATEMENTS

She Yields to the United States

MUST MEAN FREEDOM

A Later Special Says that the Spanish Government has Made a Complete Surrender to the United States.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor. MADRID, APRIL 6.—4:30 P. M.—IT IS STATED THAT SPAIN IS WILLING TO GRANT ALL THE UNITED STATES ASKS AND SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT HAS BEEN ARRANGED.

SPAIN READY TO ARBITRATE.

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor. Washington, April 6.—Du Bose, Charge D'Affaires for Spain, authorized the statement today that Spain is ready to arbitrate the Maine disaster.

SPAIN FOR PEACE.

By Cable to The Morning Post. Madrid, April 6.—Spain is endeavoring to avert war in every possible way. Doubts about her success are expressed in all quarters.

REPLY TO WOODFORD.

By Cable to The Press-Visitor. The Contents of the Reply are Kept Secret.

Madrid, April 6.—A reply from Washington to the last suggestion of minister Woodford, by which it is understood that honorable peace satisfactory to both countries, can be secured has been received during the night, but its contents has not been divulged.

FRUIT KILLED.

No Peaches Next Summer—See This Morning.

The frost this morning was not as heavy as expected but it was sufficient to kill the fruit. Ice was plentiful and plowed ground was frozen.

A letter received by Mr. James L. Johnson from New York says that the heaviest snow of the season, except the blizzard, was falling there Tuesday morning.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

THE MOVEMENT IN NEW YORK AND LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Company.

NEW YORK COTTON.

Months. Open High. Low. Close.

April	5 91	5 91	5 91	5 94 65	95
May	5 95	5 99	5 95	5 98 65	99
June	5 98	6 01	5 98	6 01 65	62
July	6 02	6 06	6 02	6 05 65	60
August	6 05	6 08	6 03	6 07 65	68
September	6 04	6 04	6 02	6 04 65	65
October	6 04	6 05	6 00	6 04 65	60
November	6 05	6 05	6 05	6 05 65	60
December	6 05	6 07	6 04	6 05 65	68
January	6 05	6 08	6 05	6 08 65	64

Closed steady, sales 54,700.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, April 6.—4 p. m.

Spot good business done, prices firm. American middling 27-16. Sales 15,000. Speculation and export 1,900. Receipts 7,000. American 35,700. Futures opened quiet. Demand moderate. Closed steady.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:

April 3 24s.
April and May, 3 24s.
May and June, 3 24s.
June and July, 3 24s.
July and August, 3 24s.
August and September, 3 24s.
September and October, 3 25s.
October and November, 3 25s.
November and December, 3 21s.
December and January, 3 21s.
January and February, 2 1s.
Futures closed quiet.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET.

No Chicago market today.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Wheat—May 1 65; July 85.
Corn—May 29; July 30 1/2.
Oats—May 25; July 23 1/2.
Pork—May 9 99; July 9 97.
Lard—May 25; July 5 82.
Clear Rib Sides—May 5 20; July 5 27.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange:

St. Paul	90 1/2
Northwestern	119 1/2
Rock Island	86
Southern Preferred	27
Louisville & Nashville	51 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	18 1/2
Con Gas	17 1/2
American Tobacco	10 1/2
Missouri Pacific	27
Manhattan	98 1/2
Western Union	80 1/2
Burlington and Quincy	98 1/2
Jersey Central	92 1/2
U. S. Leather	110 1/2
Sugar	110 1/2

SUPREME COURT.

Ninth district cases: Commissioners of Wilkes county vs. Call, argued by A. C. Avery for the plaintiff.

Tenth district cases will be called on next Tuesday.

Mr. Robert Parham and Mr. Henry Lowry had a little scrap in Otey's barber shop today but no harm was done.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND IN THE CITY.

Phot-Pourri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Perpetually Picked and Pithily put in Print.

Mr. John D. Shaw, of Rockingham, is in the city.

Marshal H. C. Dockery and Mr. Claudius Dockery arrived in the city today.

The calendar committee will meet Friday afternoon in the clerk's office at 4 o'clock.

Mr. W. D. Newell of Chase City, Va., a popular and well known traveling man, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. H. Kowaly of St. Louis, who has been visiting Miss Clara Strong, on Belmont street, left yesterday for her home, to the great regret of her many friends, who greatly enjoyed her visit here.

The police have another warrant for Jane Hlock for retaining. It will be returned on the account of her ill health. Gov. Russell recently pardoned Jane who was serving a term for a similar offense—Greensboro Record.

Mr. George Hood who has been living in Raleigh for the past year, left this morning for Goldsboro, where he will make his home. Mr. Hood came here in the employ of the Southern Railway but he afterwards began the practice of law here. He will now enter the bar at Goldsboro.

At the pastor services next Sunday in the Church of the Good Shepherd a beautiful memorial, in oak and brass, to the memory of Mrs. W. M. Clark, wife of Rev. Dr. Pittinger's predecessor as pastor of this church, will be presented. On the memorial is inscribed: "To the glory of God and in loving memory of Mamie Douglass Tappan Clark."

Captain T. W. Bookhart, of the A. L. L., has received orders from the highest military authorities, and considerable commotion in local military circles has been the result. The nature of the orders has been withheld, but the company will be put in first class trim and probably taken to Raleigh if any definite steps are made toward war.—Asheville Gazette.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Railroad Denied the Right to Carry a Damaged Suit of Apparel to Court.

The Supreme Court yesterday affirmed the decision of Judge McIver in the case of Howard vs. Railroad, from Rowan county, where it was held that the railroad could not carry a damaged suit to the United States Supreme Court.

The administrator of Howard, who was killed in a railroad wreck near Old Fort, got a verdict for \$5,000 damages against the Western North Carolina railroad. Afterwards the plaintiff decided to bring suit against the Southern. An effort was then made to carry the case to the United States Court. This is denied.

The decision in the Howard case applies likewise to the James case. James was killed at the same time, and his administrator got a verdict for \$15,000. Judge Avery, who represents the plaintiffs, says both damage suits will now be entered against the Southern.

The Supreme Court handed down opinions as follows yesterday afternoon: Meeks vs. Mineral Company, from Cherokee; reversed.

Howard vs. Railroad, from Rowan; affirmed.

Whitney vs. Railroad, from Cabarrus; new trial.

Carter vs. Shoomb, from Cumberland; reversed.

Willis vs. Railroad, from Caswell; affirmed.

Johnson vs. Railroad, from Rowan; new trial.

Barnhill vs. Thompson, from Bladen; reversed and judgment entered here for the plaintiff.

City vs. Commissioners, from Cumberland; no error.

Foster vs. Owen, from Chatham; no trial.

Jones vs. Babow, from Yadkin; new trial.

Fatterson vs. Gallher, from Iredell; affirmed.

Bear vs. Commissioners, from Brunswick; reversed.

Houston vs. Thurston, from Chatham (2 cases); affirmed.

Kornegay vs. Morris, from Wayne; reversed.