

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

IMPORTANT MEETING HELD ON FIRST MONDAY.

Adjourned Meeting Monday July 8th, Judge A. W. Graham Elected Member of Board, etc.

The Board of Education met in regular quarterly session July 1st, Dr. Meadows Chairman Protem.

A delegation representing the trustees and stockholders of Providence Academy appeared before the Board and offered to deed the academy building to the county provided the Board will add another room and paint the house. This matter was referred to Chairman Meadows and Supt. Kittrell for investigation and recommendation.

Committeemen Wheelock petitioned for a house in District No. 4, Brassfield. The Board cannot build this year but they will look into the advisability of reserving the money now due their districts with the hope of building next year.

Messrs. N. D. Hobgood, E. T. Husketh and W. T. Roberts petitioned for houses in their respective districts. The Board finds it impossible to build in these districts this year.

Chairman Meadows was authorized to settle with Treasurer Lyon.

The colored school in No. 6 Dutchville by request was placed under control of the committee of the Creedmoor School.

Acting upon the advice of State Superintendent Joyner the Board ordered that a one room house be built near Sam Evans' store, Oak Hill, and that all children in reach of this house be allowed to attend school there regardless of districts. By ruling of State Superintendent the regular committee of the district in which the house is built will have to attend to this school.

The term of office of the Board elected for 1905-7 having expired the old Board turned matters over to their successors and retired. Immediately upon the adjournment of the old Board Superior Court Clerk Crews administered the oath of office to the members of the new Board and they organized by electing Dr. Meadows Chairman pro tem.

Chairman T. L. Booth, on behalf of the Oxford Graded Schools, stated to the Board that the town schools will be open 9 months and cotton mill school 8 months to all children living within the "mile limit" if the County Board will pay the per capita of the children of this area to the Town Board as formerly. The County Board agreed to this arrangement.

The Board then adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock Monday, July 8th.

MEETING MONDAY, JULY 8TH.
The Board of Education met in called session July 8th, Drs. Meadows and Morris being present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Benj. K. Hays, who had duly qualified as a member of the New Board, tendered his resignation because he found that his duties at Buffalo will make it impossible for him to attend the meetings this summer.

The resignation was accepted and Judge A. W. Graham was unanimously elected a member of the Board.

After a short recess the Board reconvened and effected a permanent organization by electing Judge Graham chairman.

The Superintendent reported that the clerks of the towns of Creedmoor and Stovall had not sent the Board an itemized statement of all fines collected in the mayor's court as required by law. It was ordered by the Board that the proper officials be notified of this neglect, and that if an immediate report is not made the matter be placed in the hands of the Solicitor as the law directs.

It being represented that certain men had removed lumber and other material from the school grounds, District No. 2, Oak Hill township, without the permission and knowledge of the Board and these parties seemed not disposed to pay for this material, it was ordered that due notice should be given these parties, if the representation are true, and that if a proper settlement is not then made the matter be placed in the hands of the Solicitor.

The Chairman and the Superintendent were instructed to investigate the advisability of increasing teachers' salaries and report at the next meeting.

The committee in District No. 4, Dutchville township, were requested to notify the Board what repairing will be necessary to make the old house comfortable, it being the wish of the Board to use both the old and the new houses this fall.

Dr. Meadows was authorized to investigate the proposition made to exchange school sites in District No. 7,

FOURTH OF JULY DEATHS.

Thirty-Seven People Killed During The Celebration.

Thirty-seven men, women and children are dead, and 2,153 are maimed, lacerated or burned as a result of Thursday's excess of patriotism in the United States. The number of dead does not include five drowned during the day.

The roster of dead is four more than last year's mortality. A year ago thirty three persons were dead on the morning after the Fourth, not including five drowned.

Unfortunately the death roll will increase day by day, and even the late days of August will witness additional numbers. Tetanus, that grim aftermath of gunpowder wounds, claims its victims by scores and even by hundreds for weeks after the Fourth.

New York leads the cities of the United States in the numbers killed and injured. Thirteen persons are dead in that city, while six more are so seriously injured that it is expected that they will die in a few hours.

Pittsburg, Pa., ran a close second to New York in the grim race, nine persons yielding up their lives on the altar of frenzied patriotism. Chicago although the second city of the union, had only two deaths.

Springfield, Ill., supplied three victims; Chatham, Ill., two and Aberdeen, S. D., two. The following places furnished one victim each: Des Moines, Ia.; Effingham, Ill.; Greenup, Ill.; Harrisburg, Pa.; Hartford, Conn.; Kansas City, Kan.; Montpelier, Vt.; Spokane, Wash., and Terry, N. Y.

The total number of injured, 2,153, is under last year's figures, which were 2,789.

The cause of the 2,153 injuries show that fire works were responsible for 1,046 cases, gunpowder for 347, and firearms for 292. Cannon added 222, while toy pistols came next with 205, and runaways caused by explosions made up the other 41 injuries on the list.

Judge Graham a Member.

We consider the election of Judge A. W. Graham a member of Board of Education very fortunate for the dear children of our good old county, as he is a most practical and capable man, and has the interest of the people always at heart. The Judge has always been devoted to the cause of education and in this position will render valuable service to the public schools. As now constituted the Board will continue to give to the cause of education the same splendid work which has caused the schools in the county to advance so rapidly during the past few years. We rejoice at the progress being made in public education in Granville county.

Receipts for Tickets.

The Southern railway is handing out printed receipts to all purchasers of tickets for the difference between the amount of fare charged and the rate as it would be under the rate law passed by the Legislature and restrained by Judge Pritchard. It is just as well for travelers to take and hold these receipts. If the reduced rate law should become effective later on the receipts will be good for the amount called for. The railroad people anticipated Judge Pritchard. They had the receipts printed and distributed several days before he rendered his decision continuing the restraining order. The giving of these receipts has entailed a lot of work on the ticket agents and conductors, and in addition ticket agents and conductors are liable to indictment under the State law for not giving passengers the reduced rate.

IF YOUR watch has gone on a strike and your clock has quit striking why bring them to W. D. Stimson and he will adjust the matter promptly and properly. Located at Paris Dry Goods store.

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Tally Ho township, and to make the exchange if he deems best.

All petitions and other business having been attended to the Board took up the appointment of school committeemen for the different townships.

Superintendent Robt. Kittrell, who had been re-elected at a previous meeting, but declined in order to accept work elsewhere, was requested to act as Superintendent until his successor is elected or as long as he can before leaving the county.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS ARE PASSED UPON.

It Met Monday and a Hot Time was the Watchword, but No one Hurt in word War.

The tax listers and assessors having completed their work the Board of Equalization met Monday to hear complaints.

We believe the intent of the law is that all taxable property shall go on the list at a fair valuation. It has provided machinery to that end. It is not shut up to the estimate of the individual owner of property, but can go behind his statement and compel him to tote fair, if he is not so disposed. Doubtless there are tax-dodgers in every township. Property in many cases shrinks to half its real value. The Board of Equalization is charged with the duty of moving up the valuation or reducing it, as the equities of the case may demand.

The Board of County Commissioners, E. C. Harris, Chairman, Ralph Curran, F. H. Gregory, W. L. Taylor and W. P. Wilkinson, and each list taker in county, Messrs. G. O. Pitts, T. C. Rogers, S. A. Fleming, L. L. Crews, R. W. Hobgood, J. P. Stovall, Wilkins Stovall, B. I. Breedlove, and W. Z. Mitchell, which composed the Board of Equalization, met in the Commissioner's room Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The following claims for reduction in assessment were presented:

B. E. Moss, Dutchville township, no reduction.
J. F. Morton, Sassafras Fork township, no reduction.

J. E. Duncan, Dutchville township, \$230 reduction.

C. F. Burnett, Dutchville township, no reduction.

Mrs. L. E. Wright, Oxford, no reduction.

Mrs. Ed Beck, Dutchville township, \$200 reduction.

American Tobacco Co., Oxford, no reduction.

R. H. Rogers, Dutchville township, no reduction.

Sam Lyon, Dutchville township, no reduction.

J. L. Erwin, Oxford, \$1,000 reduction.

Oxford Cotton Mill, \$5,000 reduction.

Dr. J. F. Sanderford, Dutchville township, no reduction.

Mrs. Sue Fleming, Dutchville township, increased from \$3,000 to \$4,000 after receiving further information as to entitled property.

The Register of Deeds was granted power to list property until September 1, 1907.

Orders were issued paying the Assessors and list takers for the good work they had put in on what might be termed a thankless job.

Mr. S. C. Lyon, of Creedmoor, proved to be the greatest kicker in the bunch on account of the assessment of his valuable property in prosperous Creedmoor. In putting his claims before the Equalization Board he sharply criticized the assessors, and in their reply gave him some hot shot on a sizzling day, but no harm was done.

Woodmen of World had big Time.

A large crowd attended the unveiling exercises of the Woodmen of the World Sunday afternoon at Maplewood Cemetery. There were nearly 200 in the parade that marched to the cemetery, the chief speakers were general B. S. Royster, of Oxford and E. D. Lewis, of Kinston. The services were very impressive and there were about 2,000 out at the cemetery. The Oxford Woodmen ran a special train which carried in all about 200 people.—Durham Sun.

Fatal Accident on Seaboard.

In a wreck Sunday afternoon on the Seaboard Air Line, 2 1/2 miles from Kittrell, Mrs. C. E. Harris, of Aberdeen, was instantly killed, by being crushed between the rear Pullman car and the side of a low cut on a curve. The train was 41, southbound, and its speed was about 45 miles an hour. In the rear of one of the two Pullmans were Mrs. Harris, her husband and 8-year-old daughter.

Suddenly Mr. Harris heard a sort of popping noise under the car and instantly the rear trucks left the rails and the car turned over. Mrs. Harris was thrown out of an open window. She had grasped the hand of her little girl when the shock came. Conductor Cain and the train crew and passengers smashed windows in order to get some of the passengers out. Mrs. Harris' head and body were mangled in a horrible manner.

FALLEN ASLEEP IN JESUS.

DEATH OF A GOOD WOMAN IN OXFORD MONDAY.

Mrs. Virginia C. Pell passes Away Age 73 Years—She was a Great Teacher.

This good and greatly beloved lady passed away Monday morning at the home of her son-in-law, Rev. W. H. Puckett, on High street, after an illness of five weeks. She was 73 years of age, and was the widow of the late Rev. William E. Pell, who for thirty years was a minister of the Methodist church in North Carolina and later editor of the Raleigh Sentinel.

She was a woman of great intelligence, her remarkable faith in God, through whose loving kindness she was enabled, though left a widow 37 years ago, to educate six children all of whom were left mere infants, giving to each a college education, is an inspiration to every woman in North Carolina. She was born in Raleigh in 1834 and in 1870 her husband was suddenly taken from her. During her widowhood she taught in Davenport Female College, Thomasville Female College and Greensboro Female College, and it is estimated that over 3,000 girls in North Carolina have come within range of her influence. She leaves six children, Dr. Robert P. Pell, president of Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C.; Dr. Edward L. Pell, of Richmond, Va.; Geo. P. Pell, Esq., of Winston; Mrs. W. H. Puckett, of Oxford; Mrs. J. B. Gunners, of Reidsville; Mrs. T. R. Rouse, of LaGrange, and two step-children, Misses Kate and Sallie Pell, of Cary.

The remains accompanied by several members of the family, Rev. E. M. Chamberger, Messrs. C. F. Crews and W. H. Upchurch were taken to Raleigh Tuesday morning over the Seaboard Road and interred in the old cemetery.

Encourage the Young Man.

It is with much pleasure that we mention to the card of Dr. James B. Royster, who has resided his lot among his own people to practice his profession in Northern Granville. Dr. Royster is most thoroughly equipped as he took a two years' course in medicine at the State University, and two years' course at the famous old Jefferson College of Medicine at Philadelphia. He is the youngest son of Prof. and Mrs. F. P. Hobgood, and will be sure to attain prominence in the practice of medicine. He will make his headquarters at Mr. Graham B. Royster, near Buchanan. The Public Ledger wishes him great success.

Indict Them, Says Judge Long.

Judge Long in his charge to the jury in the Wake Superior Court Monday dwelt almost entirely upon the duties of solicitors and grand juries to indict and prosecute all railways and their agents who are violating the law fixing two and a quarter cents as a maximum rate per mile on all North Carolina railways over 60 miles in length. The judge said it was the duty of the jury to indict each and every agent selling tickets at a higher rate than that fixed by the new law. He gave a very clear and strong statement as to the State's right of eminent domain and showed how great is the power of the Commonwealth in this particular; what extensive rights and powers it has conferred upon the railways and how many privileges it has granted them, and yet how complete and thorough is its own power of supervision and regulation. No clearer statement of the great question of eminent domain was ever heard from the bench.

Death of Mrs. Mary Lyon.

Mrs. Mary O. Lyon died at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Alpheus Cooke, in Henderson about 5 o'clock p. m., Sunday, June 30th, aged 77 years. She had been here on a visit four or five weeks, and was sick but a short while. Mrs. Lyon had been a sufferer from heart trouble a long time but her death came somewhat as a surprise to her family and friends.

Mrs. Lyon was the widow of James W. Lyon who died in 1895. Her home was at Dutchville, Granville county. Six children, five sons and one daughter survive her beside a large number of other relatives. She was a devout Christian, member of the Methodist Episcopal church a great many years, holding her membership with Cavalry church, at Knap of Reeds.

The body was taken to Granville county and buried at the old home place Tuesday afternoon.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

OUR WORKING FIRE BOYS.

They Want to be Equal to the Best in the State.

The Twelfth Annual Convention and Tournament of the North Carolina State Fireman's Association will meet in Wilmington, August 6th-9th, and naturally our fire boys want to go, and as is generally the case with such things when the funds have to come from the public, there is some objection. Some claim that the fire company will not be benefited by such a trip, and it will amount to the town going to the expense of giving a lot of men a pleasure trip to Wilmington. It is very natural to suppose that there is a great deal of pleasure in such a trip, but to go there and enter the races requires hard practice, practice every day, or even twice a day not only in running but in the handling of the apparatus; practice they would never get if it were not for that desire of every fireman to have the name of his department go down on the records of the Association as a winner at the Tournament. This should be sufficient reason for attending, but there is another even stronger. Every profession or trade has its Association for the purpose of exchanging ideas, so have the firemen. There are a number of valuable papers of interest to every fireman to be read, and firemen from the various departments make talks as to their success with the different ways of handling dangerous fires.

The doctors derive good from their conventions, so do the lawyers from their Bar Association, and so it is with every organization of this nature. Why then should not the firemen derive benefit from their Association in the same measure? When it is considered that the cost of this trip amounts to \$150 to \$200 it may appear, when casually considered a big expense for the public, but let it be considered from another view point. The men who compose the fire fighters quickly, zealously and fearlessly respond to every call for the protection of the property in Oxford.

If there is danger which is inevitable at times at the risk of life and limb they encounter it night or day, cold or hot the fire boys are there. Not only is this true but they often sustain considerable personal loss in injury or destruction of clothing. What remuneration is there for these things? There is none, nor do they ask any. It is true that many citizens are willing to lend any possible aid to extinguish fires which threaten destruction to a neighbors property but for effective work there must be the apparatus with which to do this, and to use this apparatus to any advantage there must be an organized body trained to use it. Now why shouldn't the public be willing to defray the expenses of sending the boys to Wilmington to learn to be more efficient fire fighters, even if they do enjoy the trip.

A Card.

We take this method of thanking our many relatives, neighbors and friends for the many kindnesses shown us in our recent sickness and bereavement. May God's rich blessings rest on them all and may they never want a friend in the hour of need.
Lucius M. Jones and wife.

Don't Profit by Them.

Did you ever stand in the golden sunlight of a warm day with your eyes turned upon a sheet of fly paper? If so you may have noticed how when one fly adheres to the sticky surface, its companions, instead of profiting by the horrible warning, immediately buzz down and go to destruction in the same manner, and in a little time there are hundreds in the throes of death. They are fools to be sure, and so are men. Men see their associates caught in the nets of vice. There are examples and warnings all about human beings, but they treat them as lightly as do flies and step down to death just as insanely.

Stimulation without Irritation.

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WOULD you buy a nice monument or headstone? Doubtless you would if you knew what low prices I am making just now. During the last 8 years I have sold 95 per cent of all the monumental work furnished in Oxford. Why is this? Good work and reasonable prices is the answer. It matters not where you are, if you will write me or see my agent, Robert Wood, we will give the matter all attention.

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ITEMS FROM EXCHANGES.

NEWSY, POINTED ITEMS GATHERED FOR OUR READERS.

Short and Seasoned, Wise, Pert, Gay and Solemn Things Talked About in the Merry-go-Round.

Mrs. Carrie Nation has shed her hatched, but still retains her chin.

There is no law but the written law. The unwritten law is anarchy.—New York Herald.

More than a million women are using the typewriter, and in the number are several who can spell.

The paying teller of a New York trust company has stuffed a matter of \$97,000 in a suit case and "banished."

It looks like the combines will never get through sticking people. Now comes the pin trust.—Wilmington Dispatch.

Boston has put up the price of pie, but nothing can stop codfish and beans from going down in that town.—Washington Post.

A Wisconsin bank cashier has confessed to the embezzlement of \$40,000 speculating in wheat. So he reaped the harvest of thistles.

The mayor of Baltimore wants to restrict bachelors to a diet of bread. And yet we are taught that it is not good for man to live on bread alone.

Snake bite is said to kill some 22,000 persons in India every year. In this country millions resort to the cure before they are bitten.—Washington Post.

At any rate, the Virginia jury didn't monkey with brainstorms and "dementia Americana." They came out squarely in favor of homicide as a means of cooling the temper.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

It looks a little unfair for people to pay for the "privilege" of doing a lawful thing, when others can proceed to do unlawful things without taxation or other form of molestation. Think about that.—Newbern Journal.

The New Jersey wife who informed a recorder that hanging was too good for her husband, is reminded of the fact that hanging has been found to stop many a man from being bad in this world.—Wilmington Dispatch.

Public love making in Russia is rather costly pastime. A kiss on the streets is penalized by a fine of \$3.75, and on a street car by a fine of \$5.25. Declaration of love on a post card subjects the sender to a fine of \$2.50.

The Louisville Courier-Journal says in discussing the great Treasury balance: "While the handsome excess of receipts will be a matter of boasting it ought to be remembered that it is reached by taking large sums from the people and not by any economy in expenditure."

Senator Marion Butler has declined to discuss the removal of his brother, Lester Butler, as assistant postmaster in Raleigh. Undoubtedly the removal will stand, for the fact has been demonstrated that Republican State Chairman Adams rules the Republican roost in North Carolina from Washington.

Those who have yet to learn the hardness and thickness of the Afro-American skull may get some idea on the subject from a homicide at Darlington, S. C., Thursday night, when a bullet glanced harmless from its human target's head and penetrated the brain of a white man near by.—Charlotte Observer.

The best thing for the railroads to do, if they have an eye to their future welfare in North Carolina, is to adjust freight rates so that North Carolina towns shall not be discriminated against. As long as these discriminations continue the railroads are going to be far more unpopular than they should be.—Winston-Sentinel.

It is gratifying to learn that the Virginia newspapers are almost unanimously denouncing the Loving trial, and that the judge who presided at the trial is not spared in the criticism. If the newspapers do their duty in the cause of right and justice such travesties on justice as the Loving trial will be few.—Statesville Landmark.

The citizen soldiery who so often disgrace their uniforms and the name of soldiers, were in evidence at the Jamestown exposition Wednesday night, when a number from South Carolina and Kentucky engaged in rioting. The toughs who go off to encampments to engage in lawless conduct have but one proper place and that is on a chain gang.—Statesville Landmark.