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SLANDER SUITS SETTLED.

SATURDAY MORNING JURY RENDER VERDICT OF GUILTY.

After Long and Hard Fought Trial Case Is Compromised—Further Litigation Ended.

The people of the county and especially those of the Creedmoor section are very much relieved to know that the unfortunate slander case, and the other cases resulting therefrom, have been settled, and that the feelings and interests of the principals and sympathizers of both sides are spared any further unpleasantness through litigation. The case of the State vs Thomas M. Thomasson, in which Mrs. William R. Garner and Dr. J. F. Sanderford were the prosecuting witnesses, after several days of bitter fighting on both sides, went to the jury on Friday evening, and on Saturday morning a verdict of guilty was rendered. Very shortly thereafter a compromise was effected between the interested parties and the two civil actions which had been brought were withdrawn. The conditions of the compromise, in addition to the stopping of further contest, were that the defendant, Mr. Thomasson, pay into the criminal court \$500 to defray court costs; that he is to pay \$200 to the chief prosecuting witness, Mrs. Garner, as a part settlement of her counsel fee; and that he pay a further sum of \$50 to cover the costs in the civil suits brought against himself and Mr. Gus Fleming, which suits were a direct result of the criminal action, and were brought in the sum of \$5,000 each.

The three suits just compromised were the result of a report, last fall, that was said to have been circulated by Mr. Gus Fleming and repeated by Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Fleming's father-in-law, and which were held to have been of an injurious nature to Mrs. Garner and Dr. Sanderford.

Mr. Thomasson was brought before the magistrates court and, after the trial was bound over to the Superior Court under a small bond. From that day to the present time of compromise, the affair has been of deep concern to every person in Granville county, and, in the Creedmoor community, practically every citizen has aligned himself on one side or the other, all the parties immediately concerned being of prominent and influential connections. Dr. Sanderford is a successful physician of Creedmoor; Mrs. Garner, the wife of a prominent citizen; and, Mr. Thomasson, a prosperous warehouseman of that section. All of these, barring the allegations presented at court, have borne unblemished reputations, and the allegations referred to are believed to have been the result of misunderstandings, and the principals innocent of anything of a criminal nature, being the victims of a series of cruel circumstances.

Both the defense and prosecution were represented by a brilliant array of counsel, and the Court House was the scene of a hard and skilful battle from start to finish, every step being bitterly contested. More than a score of witnesses were summoned, and the trial throughout was marked by an absorbing interest on the part of the public. It was the one question of general interest, and its varying phases was the subject of the conversation of a week. Each side had its band of sympathizers, who, during recesses of court, were seen in small groups discussing the probable outcome of the contest, but it is safe to say that the verdict as rendered came as a surprise. The attendance from Creedmoor was very large every day of last week.

In order to avoid the appearance of suspicion, and to guarantee a just and fair trial, the jury was kept practically in confinement. The names of the jurors were: Messrs. J. S. Hart, H. W. Davis, W. T. Lumpkins, W. E. Morgan, J. P. Adeock, R. M. King, Chas. Lofis, R. Y. Crews, C. L. Floyd, T. D. Clements, J. N. Hicks, and C. R.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

FOR THE SPECIAL TERM HELD JANUARY 1908.

Inspected Jail, County Home, County Officers, Road Force and Make Recommendations.

The grand jury for the special term of court made their report to Judge Guion after completing its duties, and was highly complimented by his Honor for its faithful and quick dispatch of business, laying especial stress upon the timeliness and need for execution of its recommendations. This was the report:

"We, the grand jury for this term respectfully submit a report of the proceedings before us during our setting.

We have discharged our duties of grand jurors to the best of our ability after hearing your Honor's most excellent charge.

We have passed upon all bills which have come before us and have completed our duties for said term of court, so far as we know.

We visited the county jail and found the same in fine condition, well kept, and clean, and the inmates well cared for by Granville's careful jailer, Mr. Conrad Walters. We noted some needed and valuable improvements on the interior of the jail, new floors and ceiling, and other improvements having been made therein.

We also visited the offices of the Clerk of the Court, Registrar of Deeds, and that of the Sheriff, and found all of them in good condition, well kept, and well arranged so far as the present equipment allows.

We are of the opinion, however, that these offices and especially the Clerk's and Registrar of Deeds are in need of more up-to-date furniture and fixtures, so that the records of the court and county may be conveniently and safely kept, which we think will be of great service to the officers of the county, the bar, and the people generally. We, therefore, most earnestly recommend to our Board of County Commissioners that said improvements be made. Many of the most valuable of the old papers of the court are necessarily kept under the same system they were nearly a century ago, and we most heartily recommend that a change be made in this matter. We are glad to see that new floors have been put down in the respective offices in the Court House, all improvements which had been greatly needed for several years, and we also note with pleasure that electric lights have been installed in the Court House to take the place of old kerosene lamps.

We visited the county home through a committee and found eight white and nine colored inmates cared for there, and also found them well treated and cared for under the new management of Mr. W. S. Daniel, and the Home clean and in good condition. We found 4 milk cows, 3 calves, 5 head of hogs, 2 mules and one horse, 700 or 800 pounds of meat, 60 barrels of corn and plenty of rough food.

We also visited the public road force and found it in very good condition and the work progressing exceedingly well considering the bad weather and the number of convicts. The road force consists of 15 convicts, 6 mules, and one horse. They have in course of construction a movable camp outfit. The convicts express themselves as being well treated and their wants well supplied."

J. T. BRITT, Foreman.

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.

Gordon. These lawyers appeared for the prosecution: Messrs. Brooks (Solicitor), Graham & Devin, Winston & Bryant, and B. S. Royster. The attorneys for the defense were: Messrs. T. T. & A. A. Hicks, T. G. Stem, Shaw, Shaw & Lyon, W. W. Kitchin, and R. P. Reade.

WEEK'S SOCIETY NOTES.

VERY GAY WEEK FOR SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

Many Pleasant Entertainments Are Given by The Various Clubs in Honor of Visiting Ladies.

On last Wednesday afternoon, Miss Julia Winston entertained the Euchre Club. The club pin was awarded to Mrs. Crenshaw, Miss Winston receiving the star. Beautiful and delicious refreshments were served. The ices were frozen into the shapes of diamonds and hearts. The visitors present were: Mrs. Sim Smith, Mrs. Royster, Mrs. Mrs. Horsefield, Mrs. Hamilton Powell, Mrs. Rawlins, Mrs. Penn, Mrs. Ed Long, Mrs. H. G. Williams, Miss Williams, Johnson, Lily White, Jennette Biggs. The following club members were present: Mrs. Hillman Camady, Mrs. Crenshaw, Mrs. Robards, Mrs. Massenburgh, Mrs. de La Croix, Mrs. Hays, Mrs. Leak Peace, Mrs. Kate White, Mrs. Luther Stark, and Misses Fannie, Net, and Jennette Gregory, Annie Crews, Antoinette Taylor, Maud Parham, Lizzie Hilliard.

Mrs. B. K. Hays last Monday afternoon, entertained the Bridge Whist Club in honor of Mrs. G. W. Hobbs. The guests present were: Mrs. S. H. Smith, Mrs. G. W. Hobbs, Mrs. J. A. Niles, Mrs. J. C. Robards, Mrs. A. H. Powell, Misses Annie Taylor, and Susan Graham.

On Saturday afternoon, Miss Annie Taylor entertained the Book and Embroidery Club, at the home of Mrs. W. I. Howell. In addition to the regular members, these ladies were present: Mrs. G. W. Hobbs, Misses May Williams, Evelyn Howell, Elizabeth Hilliard, Annie Johnson and Hattie Webb.

The Bridge Whist Club was entertained by Miss Annie Taylor in honor of Mrs. G. W. Hobbs, of New Jersey, last Monday afternoon. The guests were as follows: Mesdames G. W. Hobbs, A. H. Powell, J. C. Robards, B. K. Hays, L. W. Stark, N. H. Camady; Misses Susan Graham, Elizabeth Hilliard, Margaret Hilliard, Antoinette Taylor, and Irwin Stark.

Mrs. Mary Rice Dead.

Last Monday week, the Rev. A. S. Barnes was called to conduct the funeral services of Mrs. Mary Rice, who died on the day preceding, at her home in the Marrow section, Vance county, which is about three miles from the home of Mr. W. L. Taylor. Mrs. Rice was born in 1835, and leaves ten children to mourn her loss.

Announcement.

We wish to say to the public that we have bought the stock of goods of The Parham Bros Co. and will continue the business. It is our purpose to carry on hand a complete stock of every thing needed on the farm—dry goods, groceries, feed-suffs, wagons, buggies, harness, farming implements, horses, mules and fertilizers. The fertilizers, we will sell as Obers, Millen, Roysters and other brands that have been tried in this county for years with good results.

We will buy in large quantities and will be in a position to make close prices, whether you buy for cash or on credit. The men in charge of the business, Messrs. Jas. W. Horner, C. W. Bryan, G. D. Gholson, assisted by Messrs. Lennie Smith, Kerr Taylor and W. D. Bryan are experienced men, and will give you their best attention. We will be glad to have you examine our stock and get our prices. We want to build up a big business, and will depend on the merit of our goods, close prices and courteous treatment to do it.

Yours truly,
HORNER BROS CO.
J. W. Horner, Manager.

Tailor Opening Sale.

Mr. Chas. Fammie an expert cutter and fitter, from Baltimore, will be with us in our store Jan. 27-28, and 29th, with Schloss Bros. & Co's full line of Spring suitings. Call in and have your measure taken for a spring suit.

Long, Blalock & Haskins.

When you want the best, get DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve. It is good for little or big cuts, boils or bruises, and is especially recommended for piles. Sold by J. G. Hall.

LEGISLATURE IN SESSION.

MEETS TUESDAY WITH LARGE ATTENDANCE.

Rate Bill to be Settled and Strong Effort Will be Made for Prohibitory Laws.

The special legislature called by the governor commenced Tuesday morning, 46 senators and 103 representatives answering to their names. Among the 149 representatives of both Houses there seemed to be 149 different ideas as to the matters to be considered. Nothing was done Tuesday beyond effecting an organization and getting the preliminaries over with. It looks as if there is going to be a prolonged wrangle and as if it will take some time for the legislature to come to a determined action.

In the Senate, the governor's message was read and reported by the House to the Committee on Public Service Corporations. Mr. Graham offered a resolution to ask the Committee on Railroads to report a bill in accordance with the governor's recommendation. Mr. Reid offered an amendment to strike out the words "in accordance with the governor's recommendation, stating that the committee should draw a bill at their own discretion. Mr. Buxton objected to the amendment on the grounds that a compromise had been made with the railroads, and that it was a question whether the legislature approved them. Should it not approve of the compromise as a whole, the compromise would not be binding, since it requires two parties to make it binding. Mr. Webb, Mr. McLean, and Mr. Holt, all differed with Mr. Buxton, each upon different grounds from the others. Mr. Graham acquiesced in Mr. Reid's amendment, and it was adopted.

A message from the governor in regard to the discontinuation of trains without the sanction of the Corporation Commission was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

In the House, a ruling was made that for the first day no matter save rate regulation be considered. The motion of Mr. Cowles, of Wilkes, to request the attorney general to inform the General Assembly the amount of legal expense incurred in the enforcement of the rate law passed at the last session, was adopted. A resolution was adopted to provide the House with "Certain information with respect to the freight and passenger rate of the General Assembly of 1907.

Governor Glenn has come out strong in favor of prohibition, and great lobbying is being done at Raleigh for and against the passage of prohibitory laws. Says the News and Observer of the 22nd: "The gathering of the temperance forces in this city yesterday was the greatest ever witnessed in North Carolina, and representing the sentiment of the State demanding absolute prohibition, the convention, held in the Academy of Music, adopted two strong resolutions calling upon the General Assembly in extraordinary session to enact a law abolishing the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in North Carolina. There was not a dissenting voice in the assembly, and a more representative body of North Carolinians never sat together.

A special committee was appointed to wait upon the Legislature and present it with copies of the resolutions adopted by the convention.

The Salisbury delegation, seventy strong for absolute prohibition, was one of the features of the convention. It is significant that the town occupying the critical and strategic point in the temperance movement in the State, should send so large a delegation of men representing every phase of the town's life and activities. One of the most striking evidences of the presence of the Salisbury delegation was a large display banner bearing the words: "Salisbury For Prohibition" encircling the statue of George Washington at the State Capitol. The enthusiastic delegation was given a cordial reception by Governor Glenn in the executive office, and there prayer was made for the success of the prohibition cause. The delegation visited The News and Observer building and gave three hearty cheers for this paper."

CALL MEETING FATHERS.

SANITARY SEWERAGE COMMITTEE PRESENTS REGULATIONS.

These Ordered to Be Placed in Effect Until Monday Night When Definite Action Will be Taken.

Last Monday night, there was a call meeting of the Town Commissioners to receive the report of the committee appointed to draw up sanitary sewerage regulations. These members were present: Messrs. J. M. Baird, Chairman pro tem, Usry, Bullock, Lyon, Hall and Wood. The regulations drawn up by the committee were presented and read by the Health Officer, Dr. T. L. Booth, but being necessarily very lengthy and of a technical nature, definite action upon them was deferred until next Monday night. However, in order to allow those citizens who were ready, to connect with the sewerage, upon motion of Mr. Hall seconded by Mr. Wood, it was ordered that the connections be made under the terms of the specifications as presented, Mr. Sam Wheeler being appointed inspector. After considerable discussion as to the fee of the inspector, such an officer having been provided for in the regulations, it was decided to note the length of time in making the inspection this week, and base the fee upon the results. All connections and private work done after the temporary acceptance of the regulations shall have expired, which will be after Monday night, shall be in accordance with the regulations as finally determined upon on that date. It was ordered that the first inspection of a piece of work shall be at the expense of the party having the work done, and all inspections thereafter to be paid for by the plumber.

The fire house proposition was mentioned at the session, but no action was taken in reference to it beyond a discussion of what had been done in the matter at the last meeting.

Mutual Admiration.

The last term of court noticed the first appearance of the Hon. O. H. Guion in Granville county, and the consensus of opinion is that he is one of the ablest and fairest judges that ever presided over a Granville court. The farmers and business folks generally were much pleased with him, and he in turn, spoke in the highest admiration of our people. He said that in all his experience, he never met a better or more orderly class of citizens, being particularly struck with the fact that he has not seen a single case of drunkenness or of disorderly conduct. The judge, in dismissing the grand jury, commended their work very highly.

Jury February Term of Court.

The following are summoned as jurors for the regular term of court, which will be convened February the 3rd: Messrs. W. S. Daniel, L. T. Harris, C. H. Hicks, S. T. Barnett, H. C. Hockaday, E. B. Parrott, A. A. Perry, J. S. Moss, E. B. Cash, W. H. Fleming, W. C. Parrott, D. H. Hall, E. D. Hunt, B. L. Freeman, P. W. Knott, R. L. Burnett, J. L. Jones, S. H. Slaughter, Lewis Thorpe, C. D. Curran, Martin Vaughan, R. I. Mulchi, J. T. Hart, L. D. Royster, W. H. Cox, E. E. Parham, S. T. Hunt, W. D. Parham, E. F. Curran, R. C. Smith, W. M. Boyd, A. C. Parham, R. S. Usry, S. C. Averett, A. A. Chapman and J. A. Lewis.

True and Tried.

The Bank of Granville invites your banking business and bases the invitation upon strictly business inducements; that is it places at your disposal the services of a thoroughly up-to-date Bank offering absolute security and every accommodation consistent with prudent banking. Open an account to-day and lay the foundation of a fortune. In the future, as in the past, the officers and stockholders of the Bank of Granville will be keenly alive to the best interest of the community.

A BOLD NIGHT MARAUDER.

UNKNOWN NEGRO MAN CAUSES MUCH EXCITEMENT.

Attempts to Enter Houses of Capt. White, Mrs. Elliott and Cooper Home Blace.

Last Monday night, an unknown negro of medium height, with broad, square shoulders, made several bold attempts to enter houses on Hillsboro Street, alarming many ladies while on his audacious mission.

At perhaps, half past nine o'clock, while Capt. and Mrs. W. H. White were paying an evening call to Mrs. C. G. Elliott and Miss Belle Cooper, Miss Lily White heard a noise at the back entrance of their home. When she proceeded to investigate the cause and asked who was at the door, the negro, making no reply, walked around to the front door, trying to force an entrance at that point. Miss White then made a round of the house to see that every entrance was properly closed, and while she was engaged in this mission, the intruder opened the shutters of the room on the side of the house towards the street, badly frightening a young lady who was visiting Miss White at the time. The negro was seen by both ladies and, in addition to the above description, it was noticed that he wore a short-sleeved brown coat. They spent a miserable hour until the return of Capt. and Mrs. White, when the negro left the premises after seeing the futility of making any further attempt.

Very immediately thereafter, upon hearing calls of distress from the cottage of Mrs. White and Miss Belle Cooper, Capt. White seized his pistol and went over to investigate, and, at the same time, several of the young men from Mrs. Osborne's and Officer Bragg appeared upon the scene. Mrs. Elliott reported that just after the departure of Capt. and Mrs. White, she heard a noise under her linen room. An investigation showed that a ladder was resting on one of the shutters, and supposing the noise to have been caused by the slipping of the ladder, Mrs. Elliott began to shut up the house preparatory to retiring. These preparations occupied perhaps five minutes and, when completed, Mrs. Elliott, in opening the window to shut the blinds, was astounded to find a negro upon one of the lower rounds of the ladder. She had seen the party when the window was first opened, but she was under the impression that the object was an old coat or pair of overalls used by one of the men employed to paint the house. Mrs. Elliott very bravely demanded to know who was there, and what was the meaning of such unusual proceedings. The reply being given in a mumbling manner, she asked: "What do you mean by mumbling at me? What do you want?" The man answered with an oath that he wanted to get in the house, and that he intended to do so. There being no available weapon for defense, Mrs. Elliott called for assistance, the negro, in the meanwhile going to the rear of the house, there seeking to find an opening. This brought him in the moon light, and he was seen to tally with the above description, and to have been the same individual discovered on Capt. White's premises. Upon the appearance of the indignant neighbors, the intruders made his escape through the old Cooper home place. Mr. Willie Alston, who was sleeping in the house, reports that, he too, was disturbed by the negro's prowling.

These various attempts were of a most audacious nature and consumed more than an hour and a half. So far, the negro has not been apprehended nor identified.

It Does the Business.

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, N. C., says of Buckler's Arnica Salve: "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. I used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c. at Hamilton's drug store.

FOR Sale—A good family or farm horse, sound and gentle; also a trap and harness. Apply to K. O. Gregory, It.