

COUNTY FATHERS MEET

UNABLE TO REACH DECISION IN CANNADY ROAD RIGHT OF WAY—FORCE MOVED.

Transfer of Road Force to Mollie Hill Revoked in Dutchville—Commissioner Appointed to Confer With Vance County Authorities in Reference to Boundary Line.

The county commissioners held their usual monthly meeting on the 7th inst. all the members of the board being present. On Tuesday there was a special called meeting to take up matters that were not concluded in the Monday's meeting. Commissioner Williford was the only absentee.

There were two matters of special interest that the commissioners had to take up. A number of citizens were in town looking after the Cannady road matter. Two routes had been surveyed for a county road one a few hundred yards to the rear of Mr. J. P. Cannady's house, and another in the front of it. There was quite a discussion as to which should be selected, the interested people being unable to agree upon either or get together. The commissioners then cut the Gordian Knot by ordering the force to have been put in there to the Mollie Hill in Dutchville, and cut the road there upon the same level with the earth.

On Thursday, however, another called meeting was held and the order to Mollie Hill was rescinded, and instructions issued to send the force to Culbreth.

Mistake in Survey.

Quite recently it has been discovered that a mistake was made in surveying the Vance and Granville lines in the cutting out of the latter in 1875. It is found that the line is not in accordance with the bill passed through the legislature. A committee consisting of Judge A. W. Graham, Commissioner T. L. Cannady, and the County Surveyor was appointed to confer with the Vance authorities.

Other Matters Disposed of.

John Rowden and Parthena Rowden, of Dutchville, were put on the outside pauper list at \$1 per month, payable to Dr. J. F. Sanderford.

Harriet Frazier, colored, of Oxford Township, was put on the outside pauper list at \$1.50 per month, payable to Wash Perry.

E. P. Davis, of Brasfield, was permanently exempted from road duty on account of physical disability.

Pete Moore, colored, of Tally Ho, was allowed a rebate of one-half his taxes.

Wm. H. King, of Tally Ho, was allowed a rebate of \$2.45.

Edward Overby, of Oak Hill, outside pauper, was allowed an increase to \$2 per month payable to W. Wood.

The County engineer was instructed to re-locate the road from Hesters Church to Horton.

Susan Boyd was put on the outside pauper list at \$1 per month payable to L. G. and R. C. Fickett.

The County engineer was instructed to re-locate the road from Dickerson to the Vance County line.

The County engineer was ordered to investigate the road from Beaver Dam Creek, near Winston's place, to Creedmoor with the view of relocating it.

Election at Culbreth.

An election to be held on March 10th, was ordered at Culbreth to give the people a chance to decide whether or not they wanted a special tax for schools.

The clerk was ordered to correct the taxes of Adeline Wainwright, colored, of Oxford township.

The clerk was ordered to investigate the taxes of Peggy Cooper, colored, and adjust the same.

A. L. Rainey, of Oxford, was put on the pauper list at \$1 per month.

The County engineer was instructed to secure prices on the construction of the following steel bridges:

at J. P. Cannady's and at Beasley's and Minor's, all across Tar River.

W. E. Mulohl was elected to succeed W. A. Dixon as foreman of the repair force.

J. G. Wrenn was elected to take charge of the repair force to be organized within the next 30 days.

Robert Norwood was ordered to be cut off the outside pauper list.

Gooch-Hamilton.

The following invitation has been received:

Mrs. Daniel Joseph Gooch requests pleasure of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Fannie May to Mr. Robert Lee Hamilton on Thursday morning the seventeenth instant at ten o'clock at the Baptist Church Oxford, North Carolina. No cards issued in town.

Master Tom Booth Improving.

Master Tom Booth who has been quite sick is considerably on the mend.

The Oxford "Whacco market" will close on Thursday March 31st, for this season. Prices are good and now is a good time to finish selling.

F. F. Lyon, Secretary, to Board of Trade.

Fifty dozen "Blue Ridge" Overalls bought before the jump they are sold for loss at Crenshaw's.

We have just received one hundred dozen shirts the best 50 cent shirt made. They are going at 35c at Crenshaw's.

TO RE-ESTABLISH LINE.

Committee Appointed to Investigate Error in Making Vance and Granville Line When Division was Made.

It has been lately discovered that the surveyor of the boundary line when Vance was cut out of Granville in 1875 has made a mistake. This discloses the fact that Vance has some territory that is a part of Granville and the County Commissioners of Granville have appointed a commission consisting of Judge Graham, Commissioner Cannady, and the county engineer, Mr. J. A. Osborne, to confer with a similar committee from Vance.

The extent of the territory affected by the error is not exactly known. The commission will take the matter up with the Vance authorities for an early conference.

THE SQUIRE BEATEN AGAIN.

Commissioner Ralph Currin Brings in Two Stories that Lay Jokesmith Overton in the Shade.

Squire Overton will have to take a back seat. Commissioner Ralph Currin while prowling about the moving picture show and post-office with Mr. G. L. Allen Monday night was run into by a reporter. Quoth he to the man of the pencil:

"Say, I see in your paper a story about a man 'possum hunting. Well I can beat it."

"How is that, Mr. Commissioner?"

The portly commissioner with a twinkle in his eye brought out a story of how a boss 'possum man, Leroy Sherrin, had captured 115 in 13 hrs., skidding Squire Overton's pitiful score of only 105. Thinking the reporter and Mr. Allen might be a little suspicious, Mr. Currin said: "You ask Sam Wheeler if he didn't see him one morning with a sack full of 'possums." And Sam does with out a single compunction of conscience back up the story.

The genial county dad also gets off a good one on a carrier out from Benahan. This carrier has a patron on the road who seems to have been affected by the recent government regulation about pennies in mail boxes. This patron did not do a thing but lay an egg in the box, and the mail carrier didn't do a thing but take the egg and sell it at a store for two cents, thereby showing that he is up to any situation.

GRANVILLE COUNTY FAIR.

Impost of the Call for Proposals and Sites for Institution.

The Executive Committee of the Fair Grounds site, of the Vice-President of the County Agricultural Association, in the Court House, the undersigned were appointed to receive applications, Corporations and individuals for donations of money and funds for the Fair Grounds site.

The committee is expected to report at a meeting of the Vice-presidents and Executive Committee on Tuesday, February 22nd, and respectfully request prompt action. All proposals should be in writing addressed to some member of the Committee.

G. L. Allen, RFD 1, Creedmoor, N. C.
A. H. Powell, Oxford, N. C.
E. B. Cozart, RFD 1, Stem, N. C.

THE WOMAN'S LITERARY CLUB.

On February first another page in the chapter of pleasant afternoons of the Woman's Literary Club was written—Mrs. James Horner being the hostess.

These answering to roll call with quotations from "Crown of Wild Olive" were: Mesdames Hicks, Hays, Ray, White, Fleming, Shaw, Horner, James Horner, Webb, Burwell, and Miss Graham.

The Club guest was Mrs. R. H. Lewis. The programme was slightly changed from what appears in the year book.

Mrs. Shaw read for Mrs. Paris a paper on Ruskin, "The Prime of English Prose."

Mrs. Fleming read her own paper—"Comparison of Ruskin and Wordsworth."

Mrs. Shaw gave some examples of Ruskin's style, which closed the literary program.

The discussion of Ruskin—his aim and work—his success and disappointments—gradually drifted into talk of nearer-by folks and events more recent.

After enjoying, as long as possible, this hospitality, and having partaken of elegant refreshments temptingly served by the hostess, the Club adjourned to meet again on February fifteenth.

Mrs. Hicks will be the next hostess. Reporter.

Took All His Money.

Often all a man owns goes to doctors or for medicines to cure a Stomach, Liver or Kidney trouble that Dr. King's New Life Pills would quickly cure at slight cost. Best for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation, Jaundice, Malaria and Debility. 25 cents at J. G. Hall's.

President Helps Orphans.

Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the President of the Industrial and Orphan's Home at Macon Ga., who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this Institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth. It invigorates all vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up pale thin weak children or rundown people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c. at J. G. Hall's.

ADDRESS BEFORE CLUB HAVE EXTENDED DATE

MR. M. V. RICHARDS, OF SOUTHERN RAILWAY DELIVERS ADDRESS BEFORE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Law and Industrial Agent of the Southern Railway, Who is a Pronounced Optimist, Speaks About the Industrial and Agricultural Condition Relative to Local Conditions.

A very interesting and enthusiastic address was delivered before the Granville Commercial Club in its conference room last Tuesday night by Mr. M. V. Richards, Land and Industrial agent for the Southern Railway. He spoke for an hour and fifteen minutes was given the keenest of attention.

The president of the Club, Dr. E. T. White, called to the floor Mayor Brummitt, who introduced the speaker.

Mr. Richards, who is a large, well-groomed, portly man got the combination of his audience from the start and communicated to it his contagious optimistic spirit. He says he loves "men who do things," and the key note of his address was to "do things."

A Southern Man Himself.

While the last 25 years of his life have been cast in other sections, he stated that he was a Southern man that night and wanted it understood that he was an Oxford and Granville man, which declaration brought much applause.

"You have made a wonderful progress," he said. "The South started out with no money and no credit, but you have done well. You have done better than other sections." But the speaker urged the fact that our resources were barely tapped as yet and we needed to concentrate on education to entitle us to get the best of our opportunities. He gave a number of comparative statistics showing how the South had pulled itself up from poverty to affluence.

"Why a very few years ago I could tell you off hand the owners of southern textile mills, the capacity of the plants and so on. Yes, I say, I could count them on my fingers." But to show the enormous development in this line the almost incredible figures of 800 textile mills with capitalized stock of six millions of to-day contrasted with the handful of mills of 15 years ago valued at three or four hundred thousand dollars speak eloquently of the trend of conditions.

"You used to have to send North or to Cincinnati when you wanted a buggy but now you have got them in Oxford. There are 300 factories in the South to-day, 82 per cent of which are tributary of the Southern Railway.

The Change of Sentiment.

The South has been misrepresented. Business men and capitalists have until recently taken precious little stock in the South, and the speaker said that he had seen maps of the United States in Europe with the South covered in black—an impossible country. But the sentiment is being revolutionized. Capitalists in the North are glad of Southern opportunities for investment. Three years ago under Mr. Richard's supervision 125 leading foreign manufacturers, English, German, French, and Spanish, and Italian, were carried through the South and they were amazed to find such a fine climate. They were surprised that cotton could be raised here, they who believed the cotton producing country practically confined to their colonies. They were surprised that the South had money, and that it was a fine field for immigration. The result is, said the speaker, that these enlightened manufacturers want back home pleased with a delightful visit and full of confidence in the South's future. He expects a patron of one of the travelers to locate half a million enterprise in the South, and that many a British pound will gravitate this way.

Don't Forget the Lands.

He believed that we had done exceptionally well in the industrial world; no part of America has done better. But your resources—don't forget your land. The location of a hundred good farmers is worth more than the location of a big factory.

Peep Into the Future.

In 1950 there will be a hundred and fifty millions of people in this country, fifty to each square mile. Today the number is 25 to the square mile which was contrasted with Belgium's 645 and Italy's 300 to the square mile. These figures speak loudly of the need of the disposition of surplus land. A farmer sometimes owns a thousand acres, and only one hundred of which is under cultivation, the remaining uselessly held at the expense of the 100 arable ones. Sell 900 and then the remaining 100 can be made to yield more than the original 1000. "I remember," said Mr. Richards when in my county 25 years ago land was worth \$2.50 per acre. Now it is worth from \$110 to \$150 per acre and you can't buy any as low as \$100 per acre. He lives in a town of 900 people, which has no manufacturing plants, was surrounded in every direction from 5 to 15 miles by other towns and villages, showing that it had a radius of but a few miles to draw from. Yet to-day, it has two banks with \$640,000 on deposit made from the farms that 25 yrs ago were worth \$2.50 per acre.

Commends Good Roads Movement.

"I hear that you have issued bonds for \$100,000 to improve your roads. I congratulate you. It's the best money you ever spent, and I predict that before you are through you will spend \$500,000." The speaker then told his audience how 8 years

ORDER TO GIVE PLENTY OF TIME HAVE TAKEN THIS STEP.

Owing to Fact that Did Not Have Opportunity to Get Out Bills Editors Decide to Extend Time till March 28th, and No Longer.

The editors of the Ledger, when they fixed February 15th as the date for starting the cash-in-advance system had no idea but that all bills would have been sent out and every subscriber would have had his. But at this writing though bills have been going out nearly every day, not more than three fourths of our list has been reached. So, in order not to cut off anybody, who had not been communicated with, the time limit has been changed from February 15 to March 28th, which will give all delinquents absolutely no grounds for thinking themselves mistreated if on March 28th, their names shall have to be dropped on account of having overlooked their subscriptions.

In making the extension to March 28th, the editors must say positively that it will not be extended again. When that day comes, every man, rich or poor, or whatever may be his condition, will fail to get his Ledger or if he is not paid up in advance. The editors will eliminate from the business anything of a credit system in the subscription department and after March 28th all records will be made on the cash-in-advance system.

Within a few days, every one will have had a bill for subscription if he owes anything. We will thank each one of those who do get the little "duns" to attend to it promptly.

Ledger For a Dollar.

At the same time, it has been decided to keep the subscription to Ledger at \$1 a year instead of \$1.25 as formerly. Everything in other lines is going up; the paper's expenses are increasing, but we are going to publish the paper at \$1 per year, though we may go back to the \$1.25 basis, should the present one prove to be the indication. In return we will again call attention to the fact that this means absolutely \$1 in advance.

January has been a banner month in subscriptions with us. By large odds more business was done in our subscription department than ever before. Very few patrons dropped out but a great number of new ones came in, and they are still coming in gratifying numbers. Old subscribers who were in arrears have done splendidly too. However, there are many others who have not settled as yet, but we sincerely hope that they will do so at once and certainly before the time limit catches them, for we will favor no one in this respect.

No Credit for Subscription.

There are vast numbers of our subscribers who want give us credit for any amount of advertising that they might care to use; but there are none who can get credit for subscription after March 28th.

This rigidity of adherence will save us many hundreds of dollars and will allow us to use valuable time in other directions to improve the paper. Besides, who needs credit or \$1—

Look at Your Label.

Look at your label. We have tried to keep all accounts straight but the great number of names a few mistakes may have been made. If you see any write us at once.

Be sure about the label. Before you read further glance up at it. If your paper comes in a single wrapper look at your wrapper. The date you see is the date to which you are paid up. If that date has passed by you owe us. In that case, please act accordingly.

Plant bed Muslin 3 cents down. Largest stock and lowest prices, at Crenshaw's.

ago he carried for six months 10 car loads of road machinery. "Did it pay?" he asked. Why, since that time in the country tributary to his railway company thirteen million dollars has been put on good roads. "I want to see good public highways radiating out from every direction," he urged. He predicted that Oxford will before long attain a population of 10,000 or 15,000 inhabitants, and advocated that an intelligent study of conditions be taken up. We need to attract labor for the manufacturers, we need to attract people who have secured a competency and want a home, we want to attract people who want to come in and help develop the country.

In the next ten years there ought to be an influx of at least fifty families a year, and we can have the finest part of the United States. Returning to low values, he believed in possible to develop land values to a productive power based upon \$200, \$300, or 400 per acre. He referred to the fact that the local banks had nearly a million dollars on deposit, and urged that the farms be developed so that another million will be the result.

Pleased With Club.

Mr. Richards was charmed with the Commercial Club, and congratulated the organization for its projected campaign. He made especially flattering allusions to his audience, and was grateful to see the ministers, superintendents of schools, and people from the various professions represented.

General Royster at the conclusion of the address became fired up with the enthusiasm and made one of the best short talks he ever made in his life. He moved a vote of thanks to our "newest citizen," which was unanimously carried.

DELIGHTED WITH COMMUNITY.

Mr. Richards Allows Reporter to Draw Interview from Him—Thinks That We Have Great Community.

Mr. Richards seems to have been most favorably smitten with our country. He has taken great interest in inquiring through our business men about our local conditions, and is remarkably conversant with them when one takes into consideration the extent for his territory. A very good proof of his favorable impression, was the genial manner in which he allowed a newspaper man to get a few ideas from him.

One of his pet hobbies, evidently is county fairs. In fact, he admitted his enthusiasm in this particular and commented upon the local fair now in process of formation.

Thinks Fair Great Thing.

"I consider," he said "a county fair a great acquisition and everyone should be interested in it. You ought however, to begin it in a small way the first year, and then enlarge upon it. And I think the sooner you get behind this fair the better." A successful county fair successful State Fair. It means a strong factor for the uplift of any community.

Mr. Richards does not take much stock in a horse racing fair that is in the beginning of a County Fair. He wants to raise useful horses. The farmers ought to get good stock; get a couple of mares, and raise from them. The main feature should be the stock and agricultural departments. He believes in having the farmers bring in their cows, sheep, goats, and poultry; their fruits and vegetables; their farm products, cotton, corn, barley, oats, wheat and so on.

The Women's Department.

And the women's department Mr. Richards considers a most important and indispensable feature. He strongly advocates this department, and is of the opinion that the exhibit of needle work, preserves, products of the kitchen, and any other thing that the housewife is interested in will play a strong part in the uplift of the people. "I am always especially anxious to have the ladies interested—to have them cooperate."

You know all the big machinery people will be glad of a chance to exhibit. This will give the farmers a chance to see modern machinery.

"I am glad to see your Commercial Club take such an interest in these things. I am glad to see your newspaper do so. The thing you want is to get people to realize what a fine country you have. Be enthusiastic and get every body enthusiastic."

"Everybody should get behind that fair. Everybody should be interested. Those who cannot give financial help can give their moral support."

VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

Had Called Meeting in Rooms of Commercial Club—Will Have Called Meeting Wednesday Afternoon at 3:30.

The ladies of the Village Improvement Society held a meeting in the rooms of the Granville Commercial Club Tuesday morning, but owing to the fact that there was not a sufficiently large attendance, no business of importance was transacted.

A special meeting was called for 3:30 next Wednesday afternoon at the Commercial Club when matters of importance will be taken up.

The ladies are now especially concerned about the library. They are concentrating their efforts in this direction.

STEEL FOR BRIDGE ARRIVING.

Material for Bridge to be Built Across Tar River at Providence Arriving in Sections.

The County engineer, Mr. J. A. Osborne, stated the other day that the steel for the bridge to be built across Tar River is beginning to arrive. It is hoped that it will all be here in a few days. When it does come, work will be commenced upon the structure at once. It will when built up be 235 feet long.

National Bank of Granville's Ad.

The National Bank of Granville is going to give away a hundred dollars in a guessing contest. Wonder who will be the lucky winner?

Auction Sale of Property.

The Granville Real Estate & Trust Co., call attention to an Auction sale of valuable Town Property.

CULBRETH COLLINGS.

Burning of Plant Beds Still Continues—Daughter of Mr. Thomas Tingen Buried—Graham School.

The lights around indicate that the farmers are not yet through burning plant bed land.

Mr. Thos. Tingen's daughter was buried at the graveyard at Miss Joanna O'Brian's, the 3rd of this month. She was about thirteen years old.

The Graham school closed the 29th of January. The debate came off the first of February. Two of the judges decided for the Howard High school but the general opinion is expressed in favor of the Graham School.

Mr. R. H. Currin came home last Monday after spending a week with relatives and friends in Durham. He is well pleased with that thirty city.

Our district is on the move for another election of local tax for our school. The closing debate should be a strong argument for the success of the undertaking and we do not think any one who was present will do anything to hinder its success.

HAT.

FORM AN ASSOCIATION

MASS MEETING OF CITIZENS IN COURT HOUSE HELD TUESDAY TO FORM SOCIETY.

The Society was Named the Granville County Agricultural Association—Officers Elected and many Plans Discussed—Meeting of Officers and Directors—Called for the 22nd.

There is no longer any doubt about the wishes of the people of Granville County as to whether or not they want a County Fair and agricultural association. Tuesday, at one o'clock, people from all of the nine townships met in the Court House, Judge Biggs having suspended court until 2:30, and the Granville County Agricultural Association was formed.

The Proceedings Egin.

Dr. E. B. Meadows, of Culbreth was called to the Chair and F. M. Plunk was made temporary secretary. The Society was then given its name as indicated above and Dr. J. A. Morris, was elected to fill the responsible position of president of the association. The question of a permanent secretary was called up, and Judge Graham with very commendatory remarks placed in nomination Mr. A. H. Powell. Mr. Powell quickly arose thanked the judge and his seconds for his non-acceptance, stating, however, that he expected to do a great deal of work. The matter was closed by leaving the election of a permanent secretary to a board of officers and an executive committee which were elected later.

Vice—Presidents and Directors.

It was decided to elect one vice-president and one member of the executive board from each of the nine townships in the County. A later motion was made adding one extra director to Oxford township, Mr. A. H. Powell, being designated this. The vice-presidents are:

Fishing Creek E. C. Harris,
Sassafras Fork Herbert Gregory,
Oxford W. Z. Mitchell,
Brasfield Dr. G. T. Sykes,
Dutchville E. B. Cozart,
Tally Ho E. N. Clement,
Oak Hill John S. Watkins,
Walnut Grove B. F. Hester,
Salem N. G. Crews.

These gentlemen comprise the executive board:

Fishing Creek Jasper W. Dean,
Sassafras Fork G. H. Faucette,
Oxford J. T. Cozart,
Oxford A. H. Powell,
Brasfield A. G. L. Allen,
Dutchville R. H. Roger,
Tally Ho Otho Daniel,
Walnut Grove J. C. Howard,
Oak Hill W. P. Wilkerson,
Salem B. I. Bredlove.

Upon motion of Gen. B. S. Royster the temporary secretary was instructed to serve until his successor is elected.

A number of the citizens present made short remarks, these indicating the interest in the movement. Judge Graham spoke of the needs of such a society, how much good it could do, and very clearly showed the mutual dependence of the town and county. Mr. Powell informed the assembly that the business men of Oxford had already indicated to him their interest and their intention to contribute liberally.

The Officers Meet.

The business of the mass meeting being concluded there was an adjournment, and immediately thereafter the officers and executive board held a meeting in the bar. This was called to order by vice-president E. C. Harris, the president, Dr. J. A. Morris, being absent. Upon motion, Judge Graham, Mr. Powell, and Mr. J. T. Cozart were appointed a committee to draft a constitution and by-laws and report to the next meeting which will be held in the Court House on Tuesday, the 22nd of February at 12 o'clock. Judge Graham asked for the recommendation of the temporary executive committee appointed some time ago. Mr. Powell made a short talk generally outlining the plan discussed by this Committee, saying it was thought best to have an incorporated stock company with a par value share of \$1.00. Mr. G. L. Allen stated that he had not had very much opportunity to ponder the matter over but thought that a few hints as to the conduct in organizing would not be amiss. Several gentlemen, Mr. J. T. Cozart, Mr. G. H. Faucette, Judge Graham, and a number of others made pertinent remarks, these generally thinking that too much should not be undertaken at first, but that some provision should be made for securing a suitable location.

Committee and Called Meeting.

Mr. E. B. Cozart stated that Mr. S. C. Lyon had offered to donate a site and a cash contribution in case the fair might be located in Creedmoor. Upon motion of Judge Graham with an amendment, Messrs E. B. Cozart, G. L. Allen, and A. H. Powell were appointed a committee to investigate and consider locations and propositions from all parts of the county.

Judge Graham then offered a motion that a meeting of the executive committee be called for February, the 22nd at 12 o'clock and the secretary was instructed to make the proper notifications.

FOR SALE—White Leghorns, 75 cents each. Apply to J. Merrill Porter.

Any one who wishes to buy a second hand survey can get some information by applying at the Ledger Office.