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OUR RAILROAD.

The bill to amend the charter of the Lynchburg, Halifax & North Carolina Railroad Co., has passed the Senate body of the Virginia Legislature and will pass the House in a few days, perhaps before many of our readers see this article.

We, as well as Person county at large, are anxious to see ground broken for this road, which, when done, will mark a new era in the history of our county.

The engineers of the Lynchburg, Halifax and North Carolina Railroad have completed their surveys and are now actively engaged in the office of the company, in the Virginia building, in making out estimates, profiles, &c.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

The following is taken from the Biblical Recorder and as it contains some good advice we print it for the benefit of our farmer friends:

"The best business for our young men to enter," said a thrifty looking grummer. "What is that asked another, who had been in the business longer than the first speaker. "Drumming," was the reply. "Not if they wish to make any money. There is a great deal of worry, loss of sleep, much inconvenience and the like, but no man can save any money 'drumming' because there is no money in it. I have spent fifteen years at it, I drink no liquor and have not expended my money foolishly. I have not made any money, because there is no money in the business--what is thought to be a good salary is consumed in traveling expenses."

INTER STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

The President has appointed the following Inter-State Commerce Commissioners, under the act of the last Congress:

Thos. M. Cooley, of Michigan, for the term of six years.
William R. Morrison, of Illinois, for five years.

Augustus Schoonmaker, of New York, for four years.
Aldace F. Walker, of Vermont, for three years.

Walter L. Bragg, of Alabama, for two years.
Mr. Cooley was born at Attica, N. Y., in 1824; studied law and removed to Michigan in 1843, where he has resided. He was a justice of the Supreme Court of Michigan in 1864, 1869 and 1877. He is the author of standard legal works, and is now receiver of the Wabash railroad.

Wm. R. Morrison, was born in Illinois, September 14, 1825; is a

lawyer, and was in Congress from 1875 to 1887.
Walter L. Bragg, of Alabama, was born in Alabama in 1838, but resided in Arkansas from 1843 to 1861. He was educated at Harvard and Cambridge law school. He has been the law partner of Senator Morgan. He has been president of the Alabama State railroad commission.

Aldace F. Walker, of Vermont, is a Vermont Republican lawyer; 44 years old, who studied law with Senator Edmunds. He has studied the railroad question extensively as a member of the Vermont State Senate. Augustus Schoonmaker, of Kingston, N. Y., was born in Ulster county in 1828 and is a lawyer in active practice; was a State Senator and a close friend of Gov. Tilden and in 1878 attorney General of New York, succeeding Fairchild. He was a delegate to the Democratic nominating conventions of 1876, '80 and '84.

Of the five commissioners Messrs. Morrison, Schoonmaker and Bragg are Democrats, and Messrs. Cooley and Walker Republicans.—Growth Patriot.

THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 18, 1887.—At the recent session of the Legislature an act was passed creating a Bureau of Labor Statistics for North Carolina. The purpose of the bureau as defined in the act is as follows:

"The said Commissioner shall collect information upon the subject of labor, its relation to capital, the hour of labor, the earnings of laboring men and women, their educational, moral and financial condition and the best means of promoting their mental, material, social and moral prosperity."

The Commissioner shall annually publish a report in pamphlet form and send or cause to be sent a copy of the same to every newspaper published in this State, a copy to each member of the General Assembly of North Carolina, a copy to each of the several State and county officers of the State, a copy to any citizen who may apply for the same either personally or by mail, and one hundred copies to each of the several labor organizations which may be in existence at the time of the publication of the report, in this State. He shall also make a full report to each session of the General Assembly of the information collected by him and containing such recommendations as he may deem calculated to promote the efficiency of the bureau. The Commissioner is hereby directed to endeavor to publish an accurate list of all the newspapers in the State, and whether the same is published daily or weekly, and to forward to each and all a copy of his report promptly upon its being published; he is also directed to diligently inquire after the labor organizations of the State and to see that none are omitted in the distribution of the reports; he is further directed to confine his labors to this State."

From the foregoing it will be seen that the purpose of the Legislature in establishing the bureau was to place before the people of our State as far as the same can be done, the moral, educational and financial condition of the working people of North Carolina. To do this a great amount of information must be gathered from many sources. A large part of this information must be collected by correspondence. Following the plan adopted by other State bureaus, blanks have been prepared with questions, which, if answered will elicit the information designed to be obtained by the act creating the bureau. Those in the State who may be interested in the work for which the bureau was created, whether they be employers or employees, landlords or tenants, are solicited as correspondents, and any such to whom this notice may come are requested to send their names on a postal card to the "Bureau of Labor Statistics, Raleigh, N. C." The above mentioned blanks will be sent to those who apply, with a return stamped envelope, in which replies will be expected to questions asked. Correspondents will receive the reports and publications of the department, and any information it can give relating to its work.

STATE NEWS.

—It is estimated that there are 800 persons by the name of Jones in Raleigh.

—Greensboro voted last Monday, almost unanimously, to spend \$100,000 on public improvements.

—The Salem hosiery mill last week shipped to Baltimore, Md., 30 cases of hose, each containing 70 dozen. The mills are doing some fine work now.

—Greensboro News: There are five North Carolina murders abroad who need catching. They are Walter L. Bingham of Alamance; Dr. Powell, of Nash; Broadfoot, of Wake; Harrison, of Edgecombe; Powell, of Warren, and perhaps many others.

—Montic Air: A citizen of western Stanley reported to us yesterday that the wheat and oats crops of that section are looking exceedingly well. The oats are thin in some places but promise much better than last year.

—Clinton Cavalcade: There is a marked decrease in the number of chattel mortgages this year. Our Register of D.eds can barely pay his board.

—Spectator: We heard two large farmers say the other day that nothing like the usual quantity of wheat was sowed last Fall. This was owing to the failure of the crop last year we suppose.

—The Tarboro Southerner makes the prediction that our next Governor and Lieutenant Governor will be S. P. Alexander, of Mecklenburg, and Chas. F. Warren, of Beaufort.

—Shelby Aurora: Cleveland county has \$4405.00 cash in her treasury and does not owe a dollar except on rail road bonds recently issued and not due until expiration of twenty and thirty years from date.

—Raleigh News and Observer: North Carolina 4 per cent. bonds are still quoted at par and the 6 per cent. bonds are eagerly sought after at 125.

—Alamance Geometer: On the 23rd of February, a cow belonging to Mr. G. A. Garrison, near Iola, this county, gave birth to two calves, a male and female. The former weighed 39 lbs. and the latter 42 lbs. Both are finely formed and doing well. The mother is undecided as to which to bestow her affections upon.

—Goldsboro Messenger: Let our farm rs remember that the Eastern Carolina Fair and Stock Association offers premiums for the largest yield of cotton, corn, wheat, rice, tobacco, etc., and let them cultivate certain portions of their crop with special reference to exhibiting specimens, with statement of yield, at our next Fair, to be held October 25th, 26th and 27th.

—Weldon News: Miles Ransom colored, well known here, where he formerly lived, was tried and convicted of larceny at the late term of Hertford court and sentenced to the penitentiary. He was on trial for a similar offense but the jury could not agree, and while it was hung he stole several articles, among them a pistol from one of the attorneys who defended him. He was immediately indicted and sentenced to the State prison for eight years.

—Charlotte Chronicle: A few days ago a colored boy named Jim Jackson was shockingly injured by a kick from a mule, his nose having been broken and torn loose, from the lip to the "bridge." Jackson was standing in rear of the mule, when the animal let fly its heels and one of them struck the boy an upward lick above his mouth, the shoes on the mule's feet striking just under the boy's nose, with the result above stated. The unfortunate boy had his injuries properly attended to by a physician.

—Raleigh visited by a very destructive fire last Sunday morning at 7:30 o'clock. The Raleigh cotton seed oil and fertilizer mills were completely destroyed. Loss \$30,000; insurance \$35,000 of which \$20,000 is in Raleigh agencies and \$15,000 in New York agencies. The mills employed about 50 persons, and was run eight and day. The fire is supposed to have originated in the engine room.

—Charlotte Chronicle: At a meeting of the trustees of Trinity college, held last week, the presidency was tendered to Prof. Crowell, who is a Pennsylvanian and a graduate of Yale. He is said by those who know him to be the right man for the position. It is hoped by the friends of Trinity that he will accept the presidency of the college, and it is generally understood that he will do so.

—Milton Advertiser: It is with much regret that we record the death of Mrs. C. N. B. Evans. She quietly breathed her last on Saturday evening at the home of her son, Capt. T. C. Evans, of Reidsville, N. C. Her mortal remains, accompanied by Capt. Evans and others, reached here on Monday, and after funeral services, which were held at the Presbyterian church, were laid to rest beside those of her late husband, the lamented C. N. B. Evans. She had reached a ripe old age (she was 73 years old) and all who knew her could only speak well of her.

We are informed that the beavers have located in Yarborough's pond on County line, and have made a dam that completely stops the water. Quite a colony of them seem to have taken possession of the creek.—Throughout the county the people are making preparations to plant more corn and less tobacco. A wise move.

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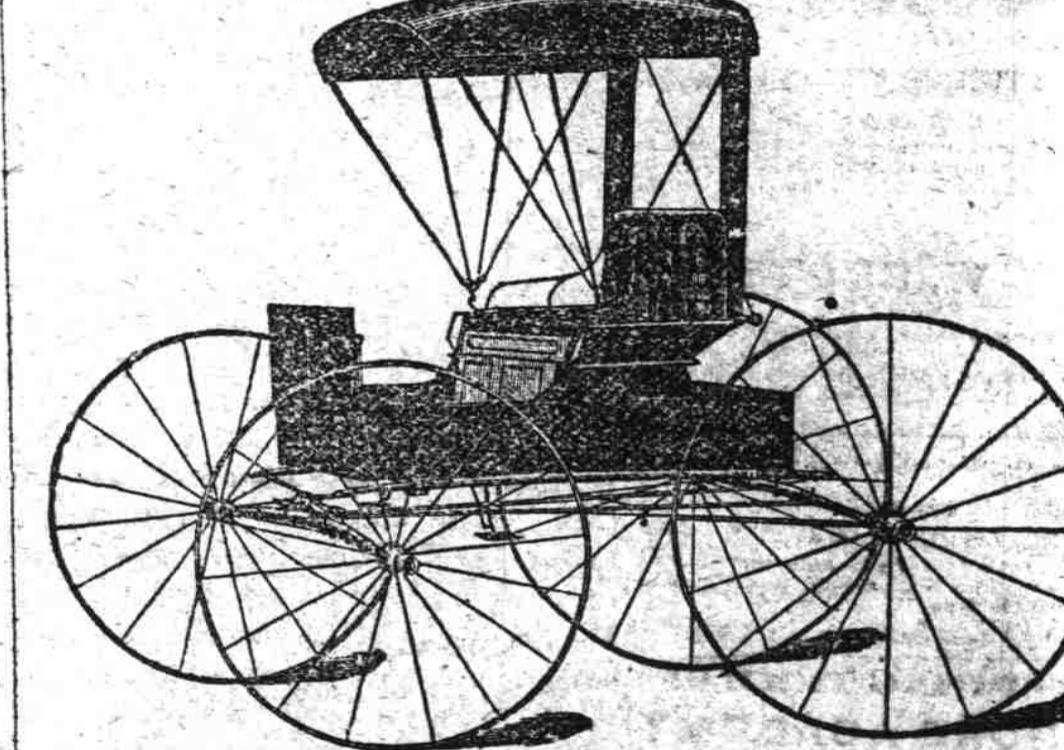
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