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Kinston Items.

Prof. Joseph Kinsey was in town Saturday.

Miss Mamie Becton of New Jersey has been visiting her sister Mrs. Wm Padrick.

Mr. Thad Hodges of Beaufort county passed through town last week with two convicts.

Mr. J. M Mewborne spent a part of last week in Tarboro, attending the State grange.

J. H. Page, the new incumbent of the Methodist pulpit was greeted with full houses last Sunday, his first day in Kinston.

J. R Hodges has sold out to A P. LaRoque, and W. D LaRoque will continue the business at the same place and handle horses in the stables adjoining.

Mr. J. B Cox spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. H. C Bowen. He was on his way to Onslow. He reports wik progressing well on the Plymouth turnpike.

Ivey Becton, oldest son of Woodley Becton, died on Friday the 16th, and was buried on Sunday following. A large crowd of sympathizing friends were present.

Mr. Mack Becton has taken a position with S. H Loftin who has recently moved into his double store room, which have been made very attractive in many respects.

The Salvation Army are having meetings every night and every Sunday afternoon in the court house. They have had a good attendance all the while and several have professed conversion.

Mrs. Susan Frizzell, consort of Mr John Frizzell, died at her home near Bounties church several days ago. She was much loved by the people of her community, and will be sadly missed.

J. L. Burns, State Evangelist, raised about $700 at nine churches for State missions. This was a fair beginning and very liberal for hard times. He preaches at the Disciples Church in Kinston Sunday and will have a chance to make a liberal Christian offer.

Mr. J. Wilkins of New Hampshire has been taking some pictures of our buildings—court house, opera house, brick block, etc. We should feel gratified that we have some buildings worthy of a place among Southern scenes.

Mrs. Dr. Bryan has moved into the house recently occupied by the board ing club. The club are now holding forth at the residence of D R Jackson, but will disband January 1st, and board with Mrs. Hassly at the new hotel, which will be opened January 2d.

Mr R. E Daly moved to Danville, Va., where his son has been employed for sometime. Kinston loses another good citizen. If our moneyed men do not invest in something to give employment and bring in money, we will continue to lose many useful men.

A marriage took place near Kinston last Sunday which we are told scores a victory for one lover and the defeat of another. The victorious one was engaged to the young lady during his stay of two or three years in Georgia. Upon returning he learned that the lady had lost hope of his return and engaged herself to the other lover. He made haste to see her and renew the suit. She told him yes, and they married without delay. Now the question is, which one was it her duty to marry under the circumstances?

EAST CAROLINA IMPROVEMENT.

A Coast Line of Railway.

NUMBER 1

EDITOR JOURNAL:—The subject of a coast line of railroad, through Eastern Carolina, connecting the coast and inter-coast towns and cities of Wilmington, Jacksonville, Trenton, New Bern, Washington, Plymouth, Suffolk, Norfolk, &c, engaged the attention of some of our wisest economists, ablest writers, and profoundest thinkers, of that portion of our State, more than a third of century ago.

In one of the best written pamphlets ever given to the people of North Carolina on the subject of material development, Dr Francis L. Hawkes, thirty odd years ago addressed himself to the necessities of a North and South line of railway through Eastern Carolina, passing at the head of broad waters and auxiliary to the natural facilities for water transportation of our sounds and rivers from Currituck to the Cape Fear. And he therein demonstrated that no real and lasting prosperity would ever come to this portion of our State, until such line of railway was built.

Our present Secretary of State, Col Wm. L Saunders, one of the ablest and profoundest men of our times, if he ought to be Governor, [illegible] further elaborated the subject in a series of editorial articles in the Raleigh Observer ten years ago, clearly showing the absolute necessity for the continuation of a coast line of railroad through North Carolina.

From time to time, since railroading began, the subject has occupied the attention of some of our best minds, and since the war various charters looking to the accomplishment of this general end, have passed our legislature.

So that the necessity of this line of inter-communication has been fully acknowledged during the entire period of railroad building in our State, and much energetic thought given to the ways and means of devising it.

Two projects are now claiming the attention of the people of the two sections of which Wilmington and New Berne are the respective centres. The Wilmington and Onslow Railroad, and the New Berne and Onslow Railroad.

These eminently worthy and practicable projects may very properly be united and made to stand for the central idea of a great coast line of railway through the State, and as such should arrest the attention and command the earnest support of every man in those portions of Eastern Carolina without regard to calling or position—white, black, laborer and capitalist.

Wilmington has already voted her money to build her Onslow connection.

With respect to the New Berne feature of the project, it is proposed that the people of Craven county shall unite in support of the undertaking, and in their municipal capacity make a public subscription to the project of county bonds, and an election to test the public sense is called for the 26th of January next.

Every fact of practical bearing on the subject should be brought into the discussion, so that the public may be instructed and appealed to, that the intelligently decide a question of the greatest possible moment to the future people of this county when the bond debt be incurred will be called upon to pay it, as it is they will be the greatest beneficiaries from the development which the road is designed to secure.

As regards the people of today, they who inaugurate and are to decide the measure—and to whom it is given to impose the burden of this proposed slight county taxation for interest on the bonds, and a sinking fund to meet maturity, they will scarcely feel the weight of the taxation, so slightly would it increase their present tax.

As regard this matter of taxation, the property of the road itself, the new men, with their money on enterprise, it would cause to come into the county from abroad, and the increased values of improved property, and the creation of new property along the line of the road, would, in three years, or less aggregate a taxable property, the returns from which would, if so applied, wipe out the tax for the proposed bonds, and go a long way to lighted the A. & N. C. incubus. Look at the Wilson and Fayetteville short-cut. Take note of the rise of the town of Dunn thereon in one year.

BUT WHAT OF IMMEDIATE BENEFIT?

Why, the labor it would immediately employ, the market for country produce its construction gangs would at once create, the timber for bridges and crossties it would immediately convert into cash through Craven, Jones and Onslow would put a new face on the industrial affairs of our section from the moment the first spadeful of dirt was thrown.

MORE ANON.

Papers with the Journal—Club Rates.

We have made arrangements with the following publications, among the ablest and most valuable of the country, whereby subscribers to the JOURNAL can secure any of the below named at the following low rates, strictly in advance:

JOURNAL and American Farmer	$2.00
" " Amer'n Agriculturist	2 50
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" " Scientific American	4 25
" " St. Nicholas	4 00
" " Century	5 00
" " Detroit Free Press	2 50
" " Texas Siftings	3 25
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" " New York World	2 50
" " Star	2 25
" " Country Homes	2 00
" " Home and Farm	2.00
" " Southern Bivouac	3 00
" " Courier Journal	2 50
" " News and Observer	2 75
" " Harper's Magazine	4 50
" " " Weekly	4 70
" " " Young People	3 10
" " Atlanta Constitution	2 50
" " Chicago News	2 25

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FURTHER INDUCEMENTS

Every subscriber to the New York World clubbing with JOURNAL for one year, a handsomely bound illustrated History of the United States.

To Our Patrons.

We will begin immediately to send out statements of accounts in small collections, and we send them out for the purpose of collecting the money. We cannot give longer indulgence to those in arrears. Send us the money at once or be prepared for unpleasant visits in calls.

The price of the WEEKLY JOURNAL has been reduced to $1.50 in advance. The Tri-Weekly is $3 and one is will be issued just as long as we can. The JOURNAL is poor business, but we hope to see the prosperous days of the campaign as well as in the general news of the day. Send us dollars and cents, and get a good live newspaper for one year.

CITY AND VICINITY.

The Beaufort Record says the Fish, Game and Oyster Fair was a grand success.

Sheriff Simson has paid into the State taxes of Craven county, amounting to $5,911.19 at the National Bank in this city.

J. P. C. Davis at the market block offers choice family groceries. His stock is well selected and prices in accordance with the times.

A good crowd was in the city from the country Friday to see the hanging. They did not know it had been postponed to January 17th, 1888. Moral—take the JOURNAL.

A correspondent makes a very good suggestion in regard to selling the railroad stock. If the commissioner mean to sell let them fix a price and sell to the highest bidder above this price.

A novel sight was seen in the city on Wednesday night. It was a colored man driving in with a red and white ox, with full harness hitched to a buggy. He no doubt came to the hanging.

The new steamer Neuse, recently built by Capt. K. E. Perry, is on the stock in rear of the Gaston House. It was built specially for the navigation of Pogue Sound and White Oak river, and is admirably adapted for that business.

In the show window of Bell, the jeweler, on Middle street, among the handsome exhibit of watches and silverware can be seen samples of the Confederate States bonds with coupons attached. They are gotten up in good style and had the Confederacy lived they would have been very convenient for clipping.

Mr. J. K. White is making constant shipments of marble. He has many orders from Kinston and it is a pleasure to note that so worthy a workman is getting the liberal patronage he deserves. He has recently prepared slabs to the memories of parties who died in 1848-49. Good work and low prices make it worth the search of all to pay proper respect to the dead.

The auditing committee of the county has examined treasurer Isaac Patterson's accounts and given him a clean bill. The coupons paid by him on the interest fund were produced and tallied with his books. He has, during the year he has been county treasurer, obeyed the requirements of the law and posted his monthly statements promptly on the first Monday in each month at the court house so that any man could inform himself as to the condition of the county finances.

Jones Confesses His Diabolical Crime.

Chas F Jones, the wife murderer who is to be hanged on the 17th of January, 1888 has made a full confession of his crime, the particulars of which it is not necessary now to give.

Arrival of Stock.

J. W. Stewart, one of the most stirring, wide-awake stock dealers and livery men in Eastern N. C. has just arrived last week from the West with a lot of fine horses and mules. In purchasing stock he studies how to suit the interest of the farmers of this section and is generally prepared to supply such as suit them.

The Will in the Land.

A communication from [illegible] appears in this issue of the JOURNAL [illegible] Many [illegible] the [illegible] debt be incurred [illegible] to pay it, as it is they will be the greatest beneficiaries from the development which the road is designed to secure [illegible]

Serious Accident.

On Saturday last Mr. A. B. Kinsey, living on Mr. E. B. Cox's farm about five miles from the city, had the misfortune of having his right hand caught by the saws of a gin which so badly lacerated the arm that it was necessary to amputate it above the elbow, which was done on Sunday by the Doctors Duffy assisted by Dr. Wm. Cobb Whitfield. The fingers of his left hand were also badly cut. At last accounts he was doing tolerably well.

Green Manuring.

We publish today the last of the series of articles on Green Manuring. Under this head the writer has discussed in a concise, intelligible practical way many topics of interest to the farmer, and given them practical illustrations of the subjects treated. In his last some sensible suggestions are made in regard to the improvements of the farm home. All intelligent, progressive farmers ought to have preserved these articles and pasted them in a scrap book for future reference. We trust many of them have done this.

Craven County Public Schools.

The State Superintendent of Public Schools speaks in very complimentary terms of the report of our county superintendent of schools in this county a brief notice of which we published a few days ago. The schools are gradually improving every year and the people are becoming interested in them. The only thing needed is more money.

The Ice Factory.

Mr. George R. Jarman has purchased the interest of J. A. Burgess in the Jarman ice factory, and is putting in distilling apparatus for the purpose of making the ice perfectly transparent. The works are established at the old plate factory building near the railroad bridge and is now one of the necessary institutions of the city.

Custom House Records.

The collector of customs of this port has received numerous letters of inquiry about the record of vessels leaving here during the period covered by the war with Great Britain under which arose the French Spoliation claims. These records were taken to Greenville or somewhere in the country, by the collector at that time, during the war and were never returned. Consequently there are no records in the office covering the period prior to 1865.

New Lodge Formed.

K. R. Jones, D. D. G. C., assisted by W. D. Rodgers, organized a Lodge of Knights of Honor at Pollocksville Wednesday of twenty-seven members, with the following officers:

D. S. Barrus, Past Dictator; J. F. Parker, Dictator; J. F. White, Vice-Dictator; Jacob Harper, Assistant Dictator; J. N. Foy, Reporter; H. C. Foscue, Financial Reporter; T. A. Bell, Treasurer; B. F. Dilisbunt, Chaplain; J. H. Burns, Guide; Forney White, Guardian; B. F. Henderson, Sentinel; N. Hughes, Medical Examiner; J. F. Smith, Trustee; Nathan White and J. Allen, Trustees.

New Advertisements.

Howard & Jones offer a desirable and valuable and useful for Christmas presents.

S. B. Waters, jr., has received a handsome stock of holiday and other goods for holiday trade.

Greenville Institute is in fact a first-class day and boarding school. The principal, Capt. John Duckett, is a teacher of considerable experience and reputation and his assistants are thoroughly competent teachers in every respect.

O. Marks has a large line of holiday goods and invites customers to call early and avoid the rush.

Geo. Ash, the clothier, [illegible] Holiday Goods. See another column.

Help the Churches.

St. Thomas church in this county on the Neuse road eleven miles above New Berne, the corner stone of which was laid on the 27th of August last, is in process of erection and is the combined means of the community are able to expended. It is very desirable by those interested in the church that all who are willing to help the work forward in New Berne, or elsewhere, will come to the rescue now and complete the building, sending their contributions to Rev. I. Harding at Kinston.

The corner stone of St. Paul's church, Vanceboro, will D. V. be laid on the 24th inst. by the Bishop of the Diocese. This church, now in process of erection, needs help from its friends.

Correction.

We are in receipt of two letters from Dover with information that the Jesse Nat. had done Frank Dawson, a very worthy colored man in that section, a great injustice in reporting the shooting affray between him and Henry Rouse. Our information was from a gentleman who came down on the train with Rouse who told him about it and stated that Dawson fired the first shot.

Our correspondents are both reliable gentlemen and they write us that Rouse fired upon Dawson before the latter returned the fire, and that upon a trial before a justice for the affray Dawson was discharged and Rouse held over to the next term of the Superior Court. They also state that Dawson is a very quiet, peaceable colored man and only fired on Rouse in self defence. We cheerfully make the correction.

Christmas Excursion Rates.

On the 23d, 24th, 24th and 25th instants the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad will have on sale at all of their stations what are called "Holiday Excursion" tickets. These ticket will be sold from any station of the line to any other, as may be desired, for one first class fare, and will be good for the return trip between such stations at any time until the 2d of January inclusive. In other words the ticket will be sold at half price for the round trip. Tickets with the same privileges will also be sold on December 29th, 30th and 31st, but the tickets sold on these dates will be available for the return trip until January 5th, inclusive.

The low rates offered will no doubt cause the interchange of many agreeable visits among our neighbors on the routes of the Atlantic Coast Line during the holidays, and will be at once an accommodation to the public and a source of revenue to the railroad company.

Our Railroad Projects.

We begin in this issue of the JOURNAL a series of articles on improvement and better railroad facilities for Eastern Carolina from the pen of the writer who has set forth an authority in matters of the kind and who in former days was foremost in the agitation of our Internal Improvement measures, if the information we have received is correct. Parties who are well informed in railroad matters have expressed the opinion that the projected road from Norfolk to Wilmington, if properly managed, would be a paying road. Its chief business would be the transportation of the immense quantities of lumber, shingles, staves, &c, now shipped by water from the Pamlico and Albemarle sounds to Northern markets. The Neuse, Trent and Cape Fear have followed the efforts of the people to develop the resources of our own section of the vast importance of their inland waterways, and to impress upon public legislation the priority of and necessity for their improvement at the hands of the general government. The first examination that was ever made for a ship canal to the improvement of Trent river, was procured and paid for by this gentleman.

Possessing an intimate knowledge of the resources and acquainted with the wants of Eastern Carolina, we deem ourselves fortunate in having secured the contributions of one so long familiar with our section, and so partial to Eastern Carolina, as his writings show.

Their Business Booming.

Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at R. N. Duffy's drug store as their giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Their trade is simply booming in the very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, croup, and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. Every bottle warranted. For sale at R. N. Duffy's drug store.

Commissioners Proceedings.

WEDNESDAY, December 14

Board met at 11 a. m. according to adjournment. Commissioners Bryan, Brinson, Watson and Mallison present.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The New Berne Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1 of the city of New Berne are by virtue of their charter exempt from poll tax after having served seven years

Whereas, At the session of the General Assembly 1887, the charter of the Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1 was amended by placing the members of said company on the same footing with the New Berne Steam Fire Engine Co. with all the privileges enjoyed by said company. Therefore

Resolved, That the members of the Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1 who have served seven years as members of said Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, be and are hereby relieved from poll tax

Ordered that the Secretary of Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1 be requested to furnish the board with the names of the members of said company who have served seven years.

The chairman of the board submitted a communication from Governor Scales resigning Chas. F. Jones to the 17th of January, 1888.

A. L. Bynum was appointed registrar for the 2d ward in place of Jno. Hughes, resigned.

John R. Lane was appointed sheriff in place Howard.

Adjourned to Thursday in March.

SATURDAY, Dec. 17, 1887.

Report of Auditing Committee received and adopted.

To the Board of Commissioners, Craven County:

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned have examined the books and accounts of Isaac Patterson, treasurer Craven County, and found them correct, beg to submit the following report:

We find the county indebted to the treasurer on account of current expenses.....

Amount of the sinking fund.....

Making a total of.....

We find the following credits on his books to the credit of the different funds as follows:

Jail and House fund	[illegible]
" Interest account	896 03
" General school fund	101 30
" Poll tax fund	208 14
The various school districts	1,722 15
Making a total of	$2,928 60

For which he exhibited to us the certificate of Geo. H. Roberts, Esq., cashier of National Bank, that said moneys were to his credit as treasurer in the National Bank of New Berne.

We also find that he has paid interest on the bonded debt of the county as follows:

Coupons due July 1st 1886	[illegible]
Coupons due July 1st 1887	[illegible]
Coupons due July 1st 1888	$[illegible]
Making a total of	$4,852 16

He states that the coupons due July 1st 1888 were taken by him as cash in settlement with ex Sheriff Hahn and should not have been entered on his interest account. These coupons amounted to ninety dollars and should have been charged back to him but in destroying the coupons of 1886-'87 the committee inadvertently burned them also and recommend therefore that they be allowed the treasurer in his present settlement.

We further find that the balance due this county by Pamlico county, May 6th 1887, the date of the last payment is $[illegible]

The treasurer's books are neatly and methodically kept and his accounts arranged and made up in a business-like manner.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES A. BRYAN,
E. K. BRYAN,
Auditing Committee

We the undersigned committee appointed to examine the accounts of Isaac Patterson, Treasurer, with Ex Sheriff Hahn and D. Simson, Sheriff, and thereby beg to report, that we have examined and accounted and find them correct. We also find a balance due the treasurer on the current fund ....$[illegible] 76
and on the fund of the Sin colored school district.....$12 62
Total $80 38

We find balance due the county on other school districts..... $1,72 15
on court house fund..... $98 98
on Interest account..... $793 03
on general educational fund..... $101 30
on Poll Tax..... $208 14
Total $2,928 60

[illegible] exhibit to us a certificate of [illegible] cashier of the National Bank. Mr. Jesse H. Roberts [illegible] which we [illegible]

JAS. A. BRYAN,
W. M. WATSON,
W. H. BRINSON,
Commissioners.

[illegible] of Commissioners of Craven county in [illegible]

We the undersigned [illegible] examined the following report

We have examined the books and accounts of ex-Treasurer D. N. Kilburn and find them correct.

The county is indebted to him on account of the general school fund ....$[illegible]
on account of colored school district No. 5 ....$[illegible]
on account of colored school district No. 8 ....$[illegible]
on account of colored school district No. 9 ....$[illegible]
on account of white school district No. 9 ....$5 21
on account of colored school district No. 9 ....$2 48
current tax fund $26 00
court house $8 20
Making a total of $57 21

He is indebted to the county in the following sums, being balance to the credit of the various funds as follows:

Interest account		[illegible]
General school fund		101 30
Poll tax fund		208 14
The various school districts		1,722 15
Making a total of		$2,928 60

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We also find that he has paid interest on the bonded debt of the county as follows:

Coupons due July 1st 1886	[illegible]
Coupons due July 1st 1887	$[illegible]
Coupons due July 1st 1888	$90 00
Making a total of	$4,852 16

He states that the coupons due July 1st 1888 were taken by him as cash in settlement with ex Sheriff Hahn and should not have been entered on his interest account. These coupons amounted to ninety dollars and should have been charged back to him but in destroying the coupons of 1886-'87 the committee inadvertently burned them also and recommend therefore that they be allowed the treasurer in his present settlement.

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