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CHILD LABOR

Recommendations Not Thought Radical Enough.

Penitentiary Financial Exhibit Good, Governor's Coming Message, Summer Agricultural School, Money From Peabody Fund, State Charities.

RALEIGH, December 6.—There was ice this morning, but the roses continue to bloom; not, of course, so handsomely as they did a week ago.

The penitentiary directors are greatly pleased at the fine financial showing of their report for this year, which is in preparation, will show. They say that the profits of the year's work are large.

Application is made for a new lodge of Odd Fellows at Morgan Hill, Buncombe county.

Governor Aycock is at work collecting facts for his message to the legislature. He said today, "You know the fiscal year ends November 30. Well, it requires about a month for some of the departments and institutions to get up their reports. The result is that I cannot get some reports before January 1. There are some 40 or 50 reports made, and as yet not half a dozen have come in. Of course it requires time for me to digest them. The result is I am greatly crowded in the few days in January before the legislature meets."

The legislative joint committee to investigate the books, etc., of the State Auditor and Treasurer will meet here next week for that purpose. Senator E. Y. Webb is the chairman of the committee.

A new headquarters flag for the Governor has been received from the war department. It is of blue silk, with the arms exquisitely embroidered.

The board of agriculture adjourned today. It has authorized President Winston of the Agricultural and Mechanical College to hold there during the vacation months next year a summer agricultural and nature study school for the benefit of public school teachers. The use of the dormitories will be free and the cost of living will be very small indeed. President Winston has for some months had this plan in view, and no doubt the school will be a great feature.

Today \$1200 was received from the Peabody fund by State Superintendent Joyner. Of this \$800 goes to the Normal and Industrial College for women, \$300 to the negro normal school at Winston and \$200 to the public schools.

A charter is granted the Ureka Trousers Company of Lexington, capital \$10,000, J. D. Grimes and others stockholders. A charter is also granted the Spray Woolen Mills, at Spray, Rockingham county, capital \$105,000, with leave to increase to \$200,000. Of the stock 2 of \$100 shares are prepared and 1600 of \$50 each common. The preferred stock is to get an annual dividend of 12 per cent and when the earnings exceed this the excess is to be divided between the holders of the preferred and common stock. The company is authorized to manufacture wool, cotton, silk or other fabrics.

There is much public interest in the recommendations made as the labor of children in factories. It is felt that they are not radical recommendations that are conservative. Ten hours a day for children under 14; no night work for those under that age; that is no work before 6 p. m. and 8 a. m.; no employment of children under 12; no child under 14 to work unless it can read and write. This is a guard against ignorance. Then the recommendation that 11 hours be a day's work for an adult in a factory is felt to be a sound one. Such are the comments heard regarding the matter.

CLARKS.

December 4.—Mrs. John Simpson of New Bern is visiting her parents Mr and Mrs. J. W. Taylor of this place.

Mr. J. L. Humphrey and sister, Miss Clara spent Sunday at Belfast.

We learn that it has been reported to be a case of small pox at Clark's and we are glad to inform the public that it was all false.

Miss Clara Humphrey went to Belfast Wednesday afternoon. "Daisies Shan't Tell."

CUBAN TREATY READY

To Be Signed With United States Next Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, Dec 6.—President Palma of Cuba, sends word that the Cuban treaty with the United States will be signed next Tuesday.

That all impediments are removed. That the Cuban Senate is ready to ratify it. The new tariff bill between the countries will then be adopted.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

RALEIGH.

Cotton Mills Will Not Contest Bill

To Regulate Child Labor. Oyster Cannery Burned. Old Landmark Removed. Four Colored Postmasters In State.

RALEIGH, Dec. 8.—Last night the remains of Mr. T. Mortimer Fleming arrived here from Baltimore, where he died in a hospital after an operation. For many years he was an engineer on the Seaboard Air Line but for quite a while had been in charge of the Louisiana branch of that road. His funeral was held this morning from the First Baptist Church here, the Masons attending.

Judge Farnell has issued an order authorizing Augustus Meller and T. C. McNeely, the receivers of the Carolina Northern railway, to issue receivers certificates, to meet operating expenses and to preserve the property.

A telephone message last night to Secretary of State Grimes from Washington, N. C. said an oyster cannery and other property there was burned and that one man had lost his life.

Among today's arrivals was E. Y. Webb of Shelby, the chairman of the legislative joint committee which will this week begin the examination of the books of the State treasurer and auditor.

The Supreme Court will this week call the appeal docket from the 16th district; the last in regular order.

One of the landmarks here is being torn down. It is the residence known as the Kenneth Rayner place. It was built by William Polk, a revolutionary soldier of note in 1803, and was then the grandest house in this part of the State. Most of the material is to be taken to the Pilot cotton mills and used in lining an assembly room.

It is said by an ex-official here that there is a colored postmaster at Winton, Hertford county. If so it makes only 4 now in this State, the three others being at Wilson, James City and Method.

Among today's arrivals are president James A. Bryan of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway and C. C. Cowan of Webster.

Miss Rhetta Daniel, daughter of Rev. Dr. Eugene Daniel is to be married in January to Mr. John Dodge of Jacksonville, Florida. Her father was for 12 years pastor of the First Presbyterian church here, but is now in charge of a church at Lewisburg, W. Va.

Mention has been made of a rumor that the cotton mill owners are organizing to fight the bill to be introduced in the legislature to regulate the labor of children in cotton mills. James H. Pou, who is a stockholder in half a dozen mills, says he has heard the rumor but is sure it is unfounded, as otherwise he would have been informed.

Next Wednesday there will be another hearing of testimony in the South Dakota bond suit case before the special commissioner. Then there will be a hearing at Washington, D. C. next Saturday, at which the testimony of ex-Senator Marion Butler and the Congressmen from South Dakota will be taken.

Work is in progress on a monument of very handsome design to replace the small one now over the grave of Ensign Worth Bagley in Oakwood Cemetery here.

Great regret is felt here at the sudden and untimely death of Rev. Dr. W. C. Norman at Wilmington. Allusions to him were made yesterday in several churches and Sunday Schools.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS.

New County Officers Sworn In. Reports Received. Licenses Granted.

Board met in special session on Dec. 1st, 1902, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. at the Court House in New Bern. Present: K. R. Jones, J. J. Baxter, H. O. Wood, A. E. Wadsworth and Silas Fulcher.

Board ordered, Commissioners J. J. Baxter and A. E. Wadsworth are appointed a committee to audit the books of Geo. H. Roberts, commissioner of sinking fund and report to the Board.

We the committee appointed by the Board to audit the account of the sinking fund hereby find the same to be correct and recommend it approved.

J. J. Baxter, A. E. Wadsworth, Auditing Committee.

Ordered by the Board after hearing the report of the committee, that the report of the Commissioner of the sinking fund is hereby approved and ordered led.

To the Board of County Commissioners of Craven County.

Gentlemen—We your undersigned committee appointed to examine the books and vouchers of the County Treasurer, beg to report that we have attended to that duty and herewith submit our report attached, showing the standing of the different accounts. We have audited the books up to Dec. 1st, 1902 and find them correct.

The vouchers were here cancelled and turned over to the Register of Deeds for safe keeping.

Very Respectfully, E. B. JONES, H. M. GROVES, Auditing Committee.

General Fund, statement Quarter ending December 1st, 1902.

Oct. 1. Balance, account over 629 87

To cash from J. W. Biddle, sheriff 2,419 86

To cash from W. M. Watson, clerk 24 86

To cash, from K. R. Jones, chairman for money returned—loaned him Oct. 23, for small box purposes 200 00

To cash from J. J. Baxter, rent farm, 1901-02 103 00

To cash from J. J. Baxter, old bridge cover 7 50

To cash from K. R. Jones hire of prisoner 96 25

Total receipts 3,827 07

Disbursements.

By vouchers paid for Oct. and Nov. 1902 5,779 05

Dec. 1, 1902. By balance Gen. Fund account, overdrawn 3,861 86

The following accounts show the following balances up to Dec. 1, 1902.

Fence, No. 1, credit balance 89 71

Fence No. 2, do 226 25

Special bridge fund, do 139 53

Fines and penalties, do 440 99

Interest account, overdrawn 88 88

Gen. Fund account, " 5,861 85

Ordered by the board that the following coupons, Nos. 3, 4, 28, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, on Craven County bonds of corresponding Nos. be and are hereby ordered burned in the presence of K. R. Jones, chairman, J. J. Baxter, A. E. Wadsworth and H. O. Wood, Commissioners, D. L. Ward, County Attorney and H. M. Green Register of Deeds, and thereupon the said coupons were burned.

The report of Ernest M. Green, Register of Deeds on license tax collected was accepted and ordered spread upon the minutes.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Craven County.

Gentlemen—I respectfully beg leave to report the following marriage licenses issued for the official year ending Dec. 1st, 1902.

235 marriage licenses @ \$1.80 for State and County tax \$387 50

Paid sheriff for State \$235 00

Paid Treasurer for County \$119 50

\$387 50

Very Respectfully, ERNEST M. GREEN, Reg. of Deeds.

This 1st day of Dec. 1902.

The report of the auditing committee was read and adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes.

On motion, it is ordered that the report of the County Treasurer, D. L. Roberts is approved and ordered spread upon the minutes.

GENERAL FUND.

Nov. 1. By balance 1,499 73

Nov. 29. By vouchers 4,600 28

6,300 26

Nov. 5. To Jas W Biddle 500 00

" 8. To K R Jones 300 00

" 10. To Jas W Biddle 1,000 00

" 14. To W M Watson 24 66

" 18. To J J Baxter 100 00

" do 7 50

" 30. To J W Biddle 890 00

" 28. To K R Jones 96 25

" 29. To bal. 3,861 85

6,300 26

Interest Account.

Dec. 1. By bal. 88 88

Fines and Penalties.

Nov. 1. To bal. 410 74

" 10. To F T Patterson 1 50

" 11. To S R Street 4 00

" 14. do 1 00

" To W M Watson 28 75

440 99

Nov. 29. By bal. 440 99

440 99

Special Bridge Fund.

Dec. 1. To bal. 189 63

Fence, No. 2.

Dec. 1. To bal. 226 25

Fence, No. 1

Nov. 1. To bal. 89 71

89 71

Nov. 22. By voucher 4 80

Nov. 29. By bal. 89 71

89 71

D. L. ROBERTS, Treasurer, Craven Co.

The report of the Road Trustees of 9th Township was presented and a committee consisting of Commissioners Jones and Baxter was appointed to audit same and report at January meeting.

On motion the Board adjourned sine die.

The newly elected Board of County Commissioners, K. R. Jones, J. J. Baxter, G. V. Richardson, W. E. Brown and A. E. Wadsworth were sworn in by W. M. Watson C. C. and the former Chairman K. R. Jones, called the meeting to order.

Present Commissioners K. R. Jones, J. J. Baxter, G. V. Richardson, A. E. Wadsworth and W. E. Brown.

On motion of Commissioner Baxter,

K. R. Jones was elected chairman for the ensuing two years.

On motion D. L. Ward was elected County Atty. for ensuing term of two years, there being no other nominations, at a salary of \$400 per annum, payable monthly.

The Chairman appointed the following Commissioners in charge of the various County Bridges.

Commissioner W. E. Brown, all bridges on North side of Neuse river and Streets Ferry.

Commissioner J. J. Baxter, Neuse river bridge and all bridges on South side of Trent river except Brice's Creek bridge also Broad Creek bridge.

Commissioner K. R. Jones, Trent river bridge, Brice's Creeks bridge and Deep Gully bridge.

Commissioner A. E. Wadsworth, Batchelors Creek bridges, Core Creek bridge on Neuse road and Maple Cypress ferry.

Commissioner G. V. Richardson, Mosely Creek bridge, Half Moon bridge and Core Creek bridge on Slover road.

On motion of Commissioner Baxter the present incumbent S. D. Lancaster was elected keeper of Neuse river bridge at a salary of \$30 00 per month.

On motion of Commissioner Jones, N. Arpen the present keeper of was elected keeper of Trent river bridge at a salary of \$20 00 per month.

On motion of Commissioner W. E. Brown the present keeper W. A. Wilcox was elected keeper of Streets Ferry at a salary of \$25 00 per month.

On motion of Commissioner Baxter Mrs. Fannie Williams the present incumbent was elected keeper of County Home for the ensuing two years at a salary of \$30 00 per month.

On motion Commissioner J. J. Baxter was appointed Commissioner of the Poor.

On motion Chairman K. R. Jones was placed in charge of Court House and Jail.

On motion it is ordered that Lafayette Smith be relieved of Poll tax on account of error.

The bond of Jas. W. Biddle sheriff, for collection of State tax was presented by him, and after having been examined by the attorney as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

The bond of Jas. W. Biddle sheriff for collection of County and school taxes was, after examination by the attorney as to its legal form and by the Board as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof, accepted and ordered to be recorded and filed. Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Wadsworth, Brown and Richardson voting to accept same.

The sheriff Jas. W. Biddle presented his process bond of \$5000,00 which was examined by the attorney as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof and accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Wadsworth, Brown and Richardson voting to accept the same.

The bond of Dwight Styrton constable of No. 9th Township was after examination by the attorney as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Brown, Richardson and Wadsworth voting to accept same.

The Bond of E. C. Beard constable of No. 3 Township was after examination by the attorney as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Wadsworth, Brown and Richardson voting to accept same.

Board took recess.

Board met at 9:30 o'clock p. m. Dec 1st 1902.

Present Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Brown, Richardson and Wadsworth.

On motion it is ordered that Dr. J. W. Duguid coroner be and is hereby given until the 1st Monday in January 1903 to present his Bond as Coroner-elect.

The Bond of George B. Waters Register of Deeds elect was after examination by the County Attorney D. L. Ward as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the surety thereof accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Brown and Wadsworth voting for same.

The Bond of Wm. M. Watson C. S. O. elect was after examination by the county attorney D. L. Ward as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Brown and Wadsworth voting for the same.

The Board for State and County taxes of Daniel L. Roberts Treasurer elect was after examination by the County attorney D. L. Ward as to its legal form and by the Commissioners as to the sufficiency of the surety thereof accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Brown and Wadsworth voting for same.

On motion it is ordered by the Board that D. L. Roberts, treasurer, is allowed until the 1st Monday in January 1903 to present his school bond.

Ordered by the Board that Eugene Tucker is hereby elected standard keeper of Craven county for the term of two years, from the 1st Monday in December 1902 until the 1st Monday in December 1904.

The bond of Eugene Tucker, standard

keeper elect, was after examination by the county attorney D. L. Ward as to its legal form and by the commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof, accepted and ordered filed and recorded.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Brown and Wadsworth voting for same.

The bond of B. R. Warren, constable of No. 1 township was after examination by the county attorney D. L. Ward as to its legal form and by the commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof, accepted and ordered filed and recorded.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Brown and Wadsworth voting for same.

Ordered by the Board that the application of John F. Williams & Co. to retail liquor in Vanceboro be and is hereby denied. Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Wadsworth and Brown voting to reject same.

Ordered by the Board that the report of Dr. N. H. Street, Supt. of health be received and filed.

Ordered by the Board that the attorney D. L. Ward and commissioner Baxter are hereby appointed a committee to examine the report of the clerk of the court and report to the Board at the next meeting.

On motion Board adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. Dec. 2nd 1902.

Board met at Court House Dec. 2nd pursuant to recess.

Present Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Wadsworth and Richardson.

Ordered by the Board that the personal property valuation listed to C. L. Spencer be reduced to \$2,768.00 so as to give him credit for Bona Fide indebtedness owing by him according to his itemized statement. All commissioners voting for same.

The regular monthly bills were allowed, all commissioners voting for same.

Ordered that V. A. Wetherington, of No. 1 township be relieved of payment of poll tax on account of being over 60 years old.

The bond of F. A. Fulcher, county surveyor elect was after examination by the county attorney D. L. Ward as to its legal form and by the commissioners as to the sufficiency of the sureties thereof accepted and ordered recorded and filed.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Brown and Wadsworth voting to receive same.

On motion Board took recess until 2:30 p. m.

The Sanitary Board met at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

Present Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Richardson, Wadsworth and Dr. Chas. Duffy.

Ordered by the Board that part of an order heretofore passed at a meeting of the Board in May 1901, providing that the salary of the county Supt. of health should not exceed \$200 per month in case of any epidemic by way of extra compensation be and is hereby recorded.

Commissioners Jones, Baxter, Wadsworth, Richardson voting for same. Dr. Duffy voting no.

Ordered by the Board that the salary of the county Supt. of health shall not exceed \$100 as extra compensation during the small pox epidemic or until the further order of this Board. Commissioners Jones and Wadsworth voting no. Commissioners Baxter, Richardson and Dr. Duffy voting aye.

On motion Sanitary Board adjourned.

The Board of Commissioners resumed its regular session at 4:30 p. m.

Present Commissioners Jones, Baxter and Richardson.

On motion Mr. Samuel M. Howard was elected wood inspector for the ensuing term of two years and was given until the 1st Monday in January 1903 to present his bond. Commissioners Jones, Baxter and Richardson voting aye.

Moved by Commissioner Richardson and seconded by Commissioner Baxter that the bill of the Supt. of health for \$216.67 be allowed for \$216.67, amended by the chairman to allow \$100 in full of all compensation for month of November. bill was allowed for \$216.67 it appearing that \$100 of this bill had been disallowed at the October meeting and again presented at this meeting.

On motion it is ordered that the treasurer place in the hands of J. J. Baxter the sum of \$300 to defray the incidental small pax expenses for the month of December.

The following persons were granted license to retail liquor at the following places of business in the city of New Bern upon the payment of the proper tax to the sheriff and all other taxes due the county by them.

Wm. Schenk, 23 Middle st.
W. H. Johnson, 80 Middle st.
Wm. Sultan, 190 Middle st.
C. C. Roach, 2 & 4 Pasteur st.
L. J. Taylor, corner Queen and Bern st.

Jan. F. Taylor, 12 Middle st.
J. S. Garrett, 23 Middle st.
Noah Powell, South side Queen st.
Mark Dismway, 81 South Front st.
J. F. Rodman, 181 Broad and Queen st.

T. C. Howard, 54 Middle st.
L. B. Habicht, corner Hancock and S. Front st.
M. L. Jacobs, East side Middle st.
A. M. Edwards, 190 Middle st.

Commissioners Jones and Baxter voting aye, Commissioner Richardson voting no.

On motion Board adjourned.

Geo. B. Wadsworth, Clk. Bd. Co. Coma.

Good things to Eat.

All the necessary articles to make your Thanksgiving and Christmas Fruit Cake such as Currants, Raisins, Citron, Orange Peel, Lemon Peel, Pure Spices and Flavoring Extracts.

Also Fine London Layer Raisins, New Prunes, Sympatized Peaches and Apples, Apricots, Atmore's Mince Meat, Cranberries.

A complete stock of Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Sweet and Sour Pickles, Tomato Catsup, Tobacco Sauce.