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PROCEEDINGS OF LEGISLATURE

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

Written Especially for the 'LEDGER' by Its Reportorial Correspondents From Their Respective Sections.

For some time it had been the general opinion of our people that the fusionists were running a pretty high hand in their management of the county finances. Many believed and truly believed, the financial status of the county was in a bad shape. This belief possessing the minds of the tax payers they resolved to determine the true state, and forthwith on the first Monday in December—the first day of our Democratic administration—a special committee was appointed for that purpose. And that the defunct party could not stamp the result as a democratic lie a reputable Republican was made a member of the committee. As soon as appointed the committee went immediately to work and probed to the very heart our county finances. Their work was thorough, complete and accurate. It is published in another column. In presenting it they offer some wise suggestions and suggestions no doubt our County Commissioners will well consider. Economy, not niggardliness, is one of the basic principles of the Democratic party and one which played no little part in changing the county government. The retrenchments suggested by the special committee will doubtless meet the hearty favor of the property owners and tax payers of the county, and the commissioners in considering the same will be simply considering their interest for which they were elected.

While it is evident that smallpox prevails to some extent in Norfolk, we think our people are showing unnecessary alarm and that there is but little danger of its reaching Windsor. Yet we think our officials should be watchful and require the first suspect to be promptly reported. One case is easier cared for than one dozen. We suggest that some one in authority be at the station on the arrival of the train to detain any person suspected until they can be examined by our health officer. The City of Norfolk is full of negroes from this county who will be likely to make a break for Bertie as soon as the scare hits them—and if this dread disease ever reaches our county and town it will be from this source.

Dr. Petters of the U. S. Marine Hospital service has made an official report that there is no fear smallpox will become epidemic in Norfolk and that the city authorities are doing all in their power to stamp it out. But if there had not been great danger it is hardly supposed the government would have sent Dr. Petters, an expert, to make an examination and report. Any way let us look out for Windsor and by all means watch Bertie negroes returning from Norfolk.

We print in this issue two communications, one suggesting provisions to the tenant system and the other calling attention of the County Commissioners to opportunities wherein retrenchments in our county government can be made. We gladly give them space. The county paper is a medium through which the county people should express their opinions. We would be pleased to have more expressions or a freer use of our columns by the people. If any one has any suggestions to make to our Representative now is the time to do it and there is no better way than through the LEDGER.

So far the doings the Legislature suits us to a "T". Its first move was to inquire into the condition of the various state departments, or, in other words, to let the people know how their money has been handled. This was fittingly proper, and is what we here in Bertie did when the Democrats took charge. And the same result will doubtless follow. The very next step was to cut the salaries of the Assembly officers. And this too was discretely proper. Now let the law makers continue along this Democratic policy and they will satisfy the people.

The most conspicuous thing about Governor Russell's message to the Legislature was its highly commendable absence of Russellism. No it was not written to the characteristic tune of his former utterances. Possibly the color of the Assembly had something to do with its setting. However, it is a mild production for Russell and His Corpulency should be given ample laudation for such a phenomenal act—at this late day even.

The feature about the present Legislature that will strike our people most is the glorious absence of speech making and attempts at gallery hits by oratorical flights. It is indeed a good indication that some hard work is being done, considering the brilliancy and power of so many of its members.

The first bill introduced in the present Legislature was by our Representative. It was one to remove the public printing.

The Legislature convened last Wednesday. Hon. H. G. Connor of Wilson was elected Speaker of the House. Among the persons who secured desirable places was Mr. J. R. White of Aulander. The first two days of the proceedings are taken up with organization. Both houses have gotten down to business and a large number of bills have been presented. Those of the most important relate to the change in county government. The most elaborate of these is Mr. Winston bill amending the constitution of the state relating to the suffrage. This and all other similar measures will be referred to a committee specially organized. Among the prominent persons present at the organization of the legislature were Alexander Lassiter of Aulander and John E. Tyler of Roxobel. They were highly pleased with the attention shown them and a great many prominent citizens formed their acquaintance. Hon. Locke Craig of Buncombe is one of the brainy men of the House.

Among important bills introduced in the House is an act to amend the Constitution of North Carolina in regard to suffrage, by Francis D. Winston, of Bertie. The bill is modelled on the Louisiana law on this subject.

By Justice, of McDowell, bill to increase the number of judicial districts.

By Bryan, (Pop.) of Madison, to allow the people to select school committeemen.

By Renhart, of Lincoln, to repeal an act providing for special school tax elections; also, to have white committeemen for white schools and negroes for negro schools.

By Moore, of Jackson, to repeal the law giving certain dead bodies to medical colleges. Passed.

By Hoyer, of Cleveland, to abolish the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

By Noble, of Jones, to increase the number of commissioners for Jones county to five; new members of the Board to be J. H. Bell and W. B. Hargett. Passed.

By Thompson, of Onslow, to repeal the law preventing emigration agents, inducing negroes to leave the State. Passed.

By Fleming, of Clay, to abolish the State Board of Education.

By Leigh, of Pasquotank, to amend the charter of Elizabeth City.

By a vote of 113 to 0, the House seated J. E. Sugg, as the member from Greene county, instead of B. F. Mitchell (Fusion) and he took the oath. Republicans voted for Sugg.

Evidence in the contests for seats made by Lambert and Eaves of the 51st district, was submitted. By Mr. Daniels, a bill to regulate the disposition of fees from insurance companies and agents. Daniels explained that the Secretary of State received more emoluments than any other officer in the State. He thought it best that these fees should be handed in to the State Treasury. Daniels asked that the rules be suspended and the bill be allowed to pass its readings, but after the second reading objection was raised and the bill was passed.

By Ward, to regulate road-working in Washington county.

Bills were introduced as follows: To provide for the appointment of court stenographers; referred to committees.

A resolution providing for the removal of the name of James H. Young from the corner stone of the new building for the blind for whites was passed.

Bills were introduced to provide a permanent system of government in Craven county; to fill vacancies in offices in Craven; to regulate board of officers in Craven.

Complying with a request of Mr. Fields, the chair ordered that the bill relating to tax on horse trading be placed upon the calendar for to-morrow.

Resolution to investigate fees received by the present Secretary of State in addition to the salary allowed him by law. By Gillam, of Edgecombe. On calendar.

H. R. No. 71. Resolution providing for the appointment of joint committee consisting of two members from the House and three from the Senate to wait upon the Governor and ask for evidence and papers concerning the removal of two Railroad Commissioners. By Justice, of McDowell. On calendar.

H. R. No. 73. Resolution of inquiry as to payment of money out of the State Treasury without authority of law. By McLean, of Harnett. On calendar.

Resolution in favor of Judge W. L. Norwood, for back salary. By Davis, of Haywood. On calendar.

Act to increase the number of commissioners in Edgecombe county to five. By Hart, of Edgecombe. Committee on Counties. Cities and Towns.

Resolution fixing January 17th as time of voting for Enrolling Clerk of General Assembly. By Winston, of Bertie. On calendar.

Act to amend section 2,872 of Code giving clerks and door-keepers in the General Assembly same per diem and mileage as members. Judiciary committee.

Act to repeal section 36, chapter 168. Public Laws of 1897, imposing license tax on lawyers, doctors and dentists. By Austin, of Yancey, Committee on Finance.

ROXOBEL.

Many weeks have passed since we have had the pleasure of reading Roxobel news note in the LEDGER.

Since our last letter many things have transpired with us among which were three destructive fires. The last occurred a few days ago and was A. T. Livermon's gin house. Several bales of cotton were burned, Peele Bros being the heaviest losers.

Miss Helen Tyler returned from a visit to Windsor last week.

Mr. Lovit Gilbert has accepted a position with E. B. Hardy as clerk.

Miss Ruby Livermon, after spending the holidays at home returned to school at Murfreesboro last week.

Mr. A. J. Parker is in Roxobel on a visit to friends. He was once a Roxobel but now lives at Speed, N. C.

Dr. A. Cabehart and wife returned from a trip north last week.

The Bertie Union meeting of the Baptist Church convenes at Roxobel this month.

Mr. Jno. E. Peele arrived home from Baltimore some days ago and began his work on the road last Monday.

ROME, O.

"That's a fine, solid baby of yours, Middleton," said a friend who was admiring the first baby. "Do you think he's solid?" asked Middleton, rather disconsolately. "It seems to me as if he were all hollow."

That youngest boy of yours does not seem to be a credit to you," said the white man to Uncle Mose. "No, sah," said Uncle Mose. "He is the wusted chile I has. He is mighty bad. He's de white sheep of de family, sah."

Despairing Love—"Bertha, have you nothing to say in answer to the letter I wrote you last Thursday? Do you know that all my future is bound up in your reply to that letter?" Washington Maiden—"I haven't looked at it, Horace. Next Tuesday is my day for opening sealed proposals."

"Why," they asked him, "did you command the sun to stand still?" The shade of Joshua appeared annoyed. "To tell the truth," he replied—it was a moment of pique. My watch was a trifle slow that morning, and as it never varied before, naturally—"

With a common impulse they all nodded gravely.

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AHOSKIE

Christmas is over and the girls and boys are getting back to school and work.

Mr. J. C. Friar was in town Tuesday.

Miss Minor Hollomon went back to Murfreesboro where she has been at school, Monday.

Miss Lucy Boone came back here to teach Monday.

Miss Quint Copeland returned to Franklin, Va., to attend the spring term of school at the Female Seminary.

We are sorry Mr. P. E. Hines has stopped running on the W. & P. here now. Pete you must come to see us some time.

Miss Nettie Griffith of Murfreesboro and Miss Minnie Morgan of Va., are visiting Mrs. J. C. Jenkins this week.

Mr. B. E. Parker spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Murfreesboro.

Miss Mollie Wilson of Colerain on her way home from school spent one night with the Misses Garrett. Please stop over again soon.

Miss Sue Blanchard of Vivian, N. C. is visiting Miss Loula Odum, near here this week.

Miss Pauline Vance and Miss Myra Mitchell returned to Murfreesboro Sunday with their friend Miss Johnson, where they will attend the spring term of school.

Miss Mary Craig went to Menola Saturday where she has accepted a school for the spring term.

Mr. B. E. Copeland and sisters spent Saturday with relatives near Rich Square.

Mr. W. A. Hall of Greensboro, N. C. was the guest of Mr. Copeland here Thursday and Friday.

The Ahoskie young folks were invited out to Mr. T. J. Raners Friday night to a social. We were treated royally and appreciate the pleasure we enjoyed while there.

This has been a quiet Xmas but we all have enjoyed it. Now for work.

Mr. A. J. Parker of Speed, formerly of this place was in town Tuesday.

UNO.

Rev. James M. Ashby, of Mill Brook N. C. who came up last week to attend the funeral of his mother, gave us a call Friday. He belongs to the North Carolina Conference and goes to Windsor, Bertie county, next year. He has been very successful with his work all along through the past, and the people wherever he goes like his preaching and are always loth to give him up. He has the best wishes of the writer.—Mt. Airy News.

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To the Public.

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