

It is now certain that this distinguished Carolinian will be with us at our celebration on the 10th of May. We approve of the selection of the committee most heartily. As an orator Colonel Waddell has but few equals in the land, and we expect a tremendous crowd to greet him and his eulogy of the men who fell at Bentonville on the 10th of May. Colonel Waddell has long been prominent in North Carolina, for a long time did honor to his State and District in Congress. He is still in the prime of life, and has a future before him which will be full of usefulness to his State.

THE PENITENTIARY MUTINY

The conduct of the authorities of the Penitentiary, allowing the convicts to act in such a disgraceful manner deserves reproof. The convicts held a meeting in the dining room of the institution, and actually appointed a committee to confer with their bosses and arrange an equitable settlement of the difficulties which existed between the bosses and the convicts. For a time there was a real question as to who should rule, the managers and guards or the convicts. One of the convicts had been knocked down and this caused a great deal of excitement which resulted in the disgraceful conduct which followed. To allow the convicts to act in such a manner, admits of no excuse. They tore up the floors, they insulted the guards, they refused point blank to go in their cells, and they held a mass meeting in the dining room appointing a committee to confer, &c. The concern must be poorly managed to allow such conduct.

The Inter-State Commission declines to be interpreters ad lib, of the Commerce Act to all and sundry who may have real or fictitious questions to ask what its clauses include, and what they don't include. The commission is right; let railroads, shippers and travellers read the law according to their respective lights, and the commission will then step in and make straight what is crooked.

Three years ago the Republican leaders and newspapers declared with one accord, that the restoration of the Democratic party to power meant a severe check to the Union sentiment, the payment of the Confederate war debt, the re-enslavement of the negro, the adoption of a fiscal policy that would depreciate the currency and result in widespread financial ruin and the total paralysis of our business affairs. Not one of these predictions has been fulfilled, and the United States are stronger to-day in every field of enterprise than at any previous period before or since the war.—News and Courier.

We would like to see a canvass made for office—say for U. S. Senator—between Senator Vance and some friend of Civil Service. We would like to see the issue made before the Democrats as to whether they held the offices of the Government should be given to honest, faithful, thoroughly qualified Democrats or divided between the parties. The choice to embrace all offices in the country from President to constable—to take in all offices—Federal, State, county and municipal. Let this ardent and colossal humbug be brought directly before the sovereigns. If it is indeed such an excellent, such an indispensable thing for parties by all means let us have it in all departments and in all kinds of offices. We would like for Senator Vance and Gen. Cox to canvass North Carolina upon that issue and let the Democrats then vote upon it.—Wil. Star.

SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX.

It has been charged throughout the county of Johnston that the 12 1/2 cents "special school tax" levied on the \$100 worth of property, and 38 cents levied on the poll by the county commissioners on the 6th, day of June, 1886, was the result of a demand made by the county board of education. The county board of education will not seek to shirk any responsibility for what it has or has not done for the schools under its care; and in order that the responsibility of the levy and of the rate of the special school tax may rest where it belongs, we ask the people of the county to examine the facts as herein set forth and judge for themselves.

Section 2590 of the public school law says, "The county board of education, on or before the annual meeting of the commissioners and justices of peace for levying county taxes, shall make an estimate of the amount of money necessary to maintain the schools for four months and submit it to the county commissioners." This we did and nothing more. This, we were compelled, under oath, to do. But this estimate was not as much as the commissioners saw fit to levy.

We found, after careful consideration that under as rigid a system of economy as was possible for the good of the schools we would need a supplementary fund of \$5,000 to meet the imperative requirements of the law under which we were acting. We knew full well the state of public feeling on this question, yet under the law we could exercise no choice in the matter. Therefore we recommended the levying of the above specified sum to the commissioners. Our estimate of the sum needed and our recommendation of the rate of taxation to raise it was in writing and carefully prepared. In that written instrument it was stated that 8 1/2 cents on the \$100 worth of property and 25 1/2 cents on each poll would be sufficient to raise the amount required by law.

The commissioners, after consultation with their attorney, adopted our recommendation and ordered the levy of 8 1/2 cents on the \$100 worth of property and 25 1/2 cents on the poll.

Beyond this point in this matter the county board of education has no responsibility.

After the board of commissioners had ordered the levy recommended by the board of education, it for some reason known to the members of said board, reconsidered the motion by which our recommendation of a levy of 8 1/2 cents and 25 1/2 cents on property and poll respectively, was ordered and then passed a substitute ordering a levy of 12 1/2 cents and 38 cents on property and poll respectively. This was done against the judgment and the written recommendation of the board of education. For this action of the board of commissioners in the adoption of this substitute we will not be responsible.

Capt. Jesse Hinnant, then a commissioner, voted against the motion to reconsider the first order and also against the substitute, saying at the time, "Gentlemen let us not give more than we are asked for."

Our Supreme Court in determining the meaning and force of section 2590 of our public school law, in the Sampson county case, declares that the section is constitutional and binding, provided there is a sufficient margin up to the constitutional limit of taxation; and that the county board of commissioners must levy on the estimate of the county board of education, unless this estimate exceeds the constitutional limit and then the commissioners must stop at the limit fixed by the constitution.

Our estimate did not reach this limit, and if the law as interpreted by the Supreme Court had been followed by the commissioners, the poll tax for 1886 would have been \$1.87 1/2 instead of \$2.00.

As before stated, the estimate of the board of education was 8 1/2 cents on the \$100 worth of property and 25 1/2 cents on the poll. This can be found by reference to our records, kept by our worthy county Superintendent, Mr. Ira T. Turlington.

We find by reference to the record book of the county commissioners that in the record of proceedings had by the commissioners on June 6th, 1886, this entry was made—"A special school tax of 12 1/2 cents was levied, the same being demanded by the board of education" (the italics are ours.) This entry does not represent the facts.

Our estimate and recommendation to the board of commission-

ers on that day was in writing and 8 1/2 cents was our written estimate. Our records show our action. No member of the board ever consented to its being changed.

We placed the estimate before the commissioners in obedience to the law under which we acted. We made no demand. No member of the board of commissioners understood it as a demand. We, as a board of education, did just what the law required at our hands and no more. For what we did we will not shirk the responsibility.

The purpose of this card is to protect the public school system of the county from harm. This purpose will be served when the public shall fully understand the matter of the levy of the special school tax for 1886 and when the responsibility therefor shall be placed where it properly belongs. JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH, County Board, H. N. BIZZELL, Board, B. W. HATCHER, Ed'n.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Board met according to adjournment, all the commissioners present. Lovitt Atkinson was relieved from paying tax on 24 acres of land, being that much more than he owned.

The price for Neill Ogburn, a prisoner hired by R. D. Lunceford, was reduced to \$3 per month.

H. W. Pittman was relieved from paying poll tax till this order is rescinded.

The report of the settlement with J. T. Ellington, Sheriff and Tax Collector of 1886, approved and recorded. J. H. Peares, an outside pauper, was allowed \$5 instead of \$4; Giney Morris, an outside pauper, was raised from \$1.50 to \$2.00. It was ordered that J. A. Peares be paid \$12.00 for his support for December January and February and Giney Morris \$1.40 for same time.

The following were placed on the outside pauper list: Jno. W. Capps, Barbara Worrell, Bethy Sikes, Polly A. Thomson, Polly Hales, Martha Mizee, Samuel Atkinson, Willie Talton, Snaky Johnson, Ester Lee, William Maynard Flora Riley.

The following persons were granted license to retail spirituous liquors three months from April 1, 1887: Wall & Allen, Lloyd Norris, C. Brown, J. L. Taylor, J. C. Thompson & Bro., B. H. Yelvington, W. B. Penny, J. G. Garley, J. B. Aikford, W. H. Lane & Co., John R. Holloman & Bro., J. W. Hout, J. A. Hinnant, W. R. Oneil, John Watkins, B. Crocker, T. H. Whitely, L. Hales, Harris Houtt, T. E. Forrest, D. H. Wallace, G. W. Waddell, J. L. Scarborough, W. L. Barber, T. F. Rodgers, J. A. Hinnant.

The following accounts were allowed: Harritt Lee, \$3.00 burial expenses of Anderson Lee; R. I. Austin, 1.20 serving 2 road orders; Ray Pittman, 2.00 on veiling Lily Eason to poor house; C. R. Wallace, 3.00 burial expenses of D. Adams, pauper; J. B. Strauhan, 5.00 examining Joshua Hobbs, lunatic; L. B. Richardson, 1.00 lumber for Pine Bark bridge; J. W. Johnson, 30.00 repairing Turner's bridge; W. B. Sures and Robert Sanders, 2.00 each letting and receiving Turner's bridge; P. B. Keyser, 3.20 lumber for footway across Buffalo; J. B. Alford, 4.35 lumber for Smithfield bridge; G. S. Wilson, 72.40 boarding papers at poor house for March; G. B. Worley, 64.75 building bridge across Little creek; J. M. Jordan, 6.00 conveying Joshua Hobbs, lunatic to Asylum; W. L. Riley, 15.55 boarding prisoners in jail for March; J. P. Parker, 2.52 registering 84 voters in the town of Salem Township; Miles Goodman, 1.25 repairing Smithfield bridge; W. N. Benton, 2.00 one day services on Finance Committee; J. C. Martin, 1.20 examining Joshua Hobbs, lunatic; B. R. Hood, 21.40 expenses of holding inquest over dead body of Mary E. Hyals; J. H. Howell, 2.80 conveying Jno. Green and Emma Hargrove to jail; D. A. Coats, 1.75 repairs on Smithfield bridge; D. W. Fuller, 16.50 conveying W. H. Poole to jail, 22.26 notifying and judges in town elections, 31.70 expenses in case of Zilpha Hill, insane; F. T. Booker, 2.00 publishing notice bridge to let, 1.00 for letting and receiving repairs on Turner's bridge; Ed wards, Broughton & Co., 1.37 one day order book; Sam George, burial expenses Gray Watson, pauper; J. G. Rose 25.000 three months service as County Superintendent Health; J. D. Morgan, 43.30 Sunday services as clerk to Board; E. G. Barnes 3.75 guarding, boarding and conveying to jail Josa Whitely; J. T. Ellington, 100.03 sundry services as Sheriff; W. N. Benton, 4.00 assisting committee in settlement with Sheriff; J. D. Finlayson 20.05 four days as county commissioner, 2 days settling with Sheriff, making out papers in case of Joshua Hobbs, insane, mileage 96 miles; N. T. Cole 16.40 five days as county commissioner, 1 day visiting poor house, mileage 80 miles; D. T. Honeycutt; 34.40 seven days as county commissioner 6 days on Finance Committee, mileage 168 miles; G. G. Edgerton, 5.20 two days as county commissioner, mileage 24 miles; P. F. Ellis, 6.60 three days as county commissioner, mileage 12 miles; Jacob Parrish, pauper, was allowed \$9.00 for his support for December, January and February. The jury to lay off a new road from O. R. Rand's to Four Oaks made their report.

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