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We extend you a cordial invitation to visit our office whenever you are in town.

WE CHALLENGE the Eagle the official organ of the Court-House Ring and the claim speculators of the county, to point out a single instance in which we have made a mis-statement of facts, or have mis-quoted the records of the county.



### Notice to Candidates

The Record will print your announcement from now until conventions are held for \$3.00. This will carry with it the privilege of your friends writing short letters in your behalf.

We showed week before last that there was \$3986.99 of the money that was levied to pay on the old debts of the county had not been paid into the treasury and we asked the Eagle the following question in reference to it:

"We would like to ask the Eagle, the mouthpiece of the Court House Ring, if that \$3986.99 has been collected, and if it has been collected how long has it been collected and in whose hands has it been all the time and why it is that the GIANT COMMISSIONERS do not collect the 2 per cent per month on the same as required by law."

The Eagle last week, instead of answering the question, tried to make it appear that the law did not require the sheriff to make settlement till the first of September.

Our understanding of the law is different to that and will the Eagle please refer us to the clause or section of the law that allows the sheriff to hold the public money till the first of September? The Eagle professes to answer all questions, will it please answer this one? We do not make any insinuations as to whether the sheriff will settle in full or not as the Eagle tried to infer that we did by our question, but the law requires the sheriff to make sworn reports on the first Monday of each month as to the amount of public funds he has on hand. The people have a right to know whether that amount of money has already been collected or not and if it has, in whose hands is it. If the Eagle proposes to answer questions why not answer as to when this money was collected, if it has been collected, and if it has not been collected it will be no harm to let that fact be known. When the writer for the Eagle becomes a little more acquainted with the people of Madison he will find out that they are not so easily duped by great gutters being made over questions instead of plain straight forward answers being given to them.

We see in Treasurer Roberts report in this issue of the paper the item, "By paid out in the month of July \$287.18" but there is nothing to show to whom that amount was paid or for what purpose it was paid. We presume it was paid out on proper vouchers but the law requires the report to be itemized and that every man who gets a dollar of the public funds his name shall appear in the report. The people are reading all these reports in The Record and they have no objections to seeing the reports itemized neither have they any objections to seeing to whom that \$287.18 was paid. Please let us have an itemized statement for we can not give the people the proper information unless officers make their reports as required by law.

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We would like to ask Mr. Hendricks if it is not a fact that he appeared before the board of commissioners on the first Monday in January 1901 with a proposition in reference to the county indebtedness and if Mr. T. S. Rollins did not have a proposition submitted at the same time and if the commissioners did not adopt part of Mr. Rollins' plan and also part of the plan of Mr. Hendricks as the recommendation which they sent to the Legislature? Being that Mr. Hendricks is so free to place the responsibility of the law we would like to have an answer to the foregoing question.

We would like to ask Mr. Hendricks if it is not a fact that he, Messrs. Geo. H. Smathers, T. S. Rollins, I. N. Ebba, J. M. Gudger, W. M. English and W. S. Rice were in a conference in the office of Pritchard & Rollins just before the meeting of the last General Assembly discussing some measure to be presented to the Legislature? And if it was not a proposition to bond the county or to levy high taxes, will he please tell us what it was that they were all discussing?

### A False Impression.

I dislike very much to have my private matters dragged into a public discussion, but the effort of the Eagle to make a false impression last week by charging that I had only paid my poll tax before the first day of May to keep from being disfranchised and did not pay the remainder till last week, makes it necessary for me to make a simple statement of the facts in the case.

On the 6th day of March I paid my taxes, all that was charged to me in No. 1 township, amounting to \$37.85 and the stub book of the tax collector will show as much.

But by mistake two pieces of land had not been brought forward from the old list to the new and was not charged with my other taxes. However, I discovered the mistake myself and went to the register of deeds and had them charged to me on the books and I paid them on July 21st.

But why was it that the Court House Ring, through its mouthpiece, the Eagle, tried to leave the impression that I had only paid off my poll tax to keep from being disfranchised? Why did it not want to let the people know just how the matter was without trying to fool them? It is perfectly plain that it is trying to dodge the issue of public matters and get the people to take up private dealings of individuals and get them to vote from their prejudices instead of voting for the best interest of the county.

If I were so disposed I could call to the attention of the people republicans high up in their county who did only pay their poll taxes and leave all their other taxes unpaid at the time, but I do not allow myself to be drawn into any such a low controversy.

If the writer of that article were only acquainted with the people of Madison county he would know that they could not be imposed on with any such flimsy arguments. But not being acquainted with them, he seems to think that they are a set of ignoramuses and that they will drink down without questioning it anything that comes from a republican paper. He will learn better before he stays here long.  
W. W. ZACHARY.

Honest, truthful and decent journalism is the demand of the day; truthfulness in dealing with all men, measures and parties and absolute decency at all times. Neither party nor individual can be served successfully in this day by abuse, misrepresentation, slander or coarseness.—Raleigh Post.

We commend the above excellent advice to our esteemed contemporary for serious consideration.—Eagle.

We have often heard of the devil quoting scriptures. Now we have run up against the real thing.

Get Lem Gilbert to tell you why Mitch Davis joined the "ring."

Now since its all over how much do you guess "doc" paid Trigger Bill to run as a stalking horse.

It is rumored that the primary machine did not work well at Little Pine. It caught too many sprinkled votes and had to be emptied out and started anew.

It is said that it only took three hundred gallons of whiskey to oil up the primary machine. Just let our roll boys.

And now after Joe went and "jined" on account of the amendment, he runs up against the doctors primary scheme and is disfranchised from even acting as clerk. Next!

It is a strict violation of the law for any county officer to deal in or speculate in county claims or paper of any kind. The penalty is in fines and forfeitures of office. Just suppose that this law had been properly enforced along this line, about how many vacancies would there have been?

The republican primary seems to be a rather expensive luxury even if the doctor does turn the crank.

With increased taxes and a steady increase in the county debt it is only a question of time when we will all be bankrupt.

It is claimed by the directors of the State prison that the institution will clear about \$80,000 this year. If we remember correctly this same institution was about \$40,000 short of expenses under fusion rule.

That two hundred thousand dollars borrowed by the State authorities need not cause any alarm. It is being properly used for the public schools, the asylums and the old soldiers. Now who has got any kick against this.

Yee Lee, a Chinaman, at Honolulu, does nothing except hatch duck eggs. He has turned out over eight million ducks.—Winston Guide.

This would indicate that Mr. Yee Lee is a pretty "slick duck."

The Eagle seems to class me among the claim speculators of the county. By referring to the official list of claim holders you will find that I own the enormous amount of \$109.89 a part of which was for services rendered as chairman of the county Board of Elections and a good portion of the remainder was claims of judges and registrars for holding last election and which the commissioners agreed to pay off in the spring of 1901, but as yet they are not paid.

Now, Mr. Eagle, if you will have your GIANT COMMISSIONERS to pay this claim which is their own current expenses I will not only take the amount actually paid, but will go you one better and discount my claim ten per cent in addition to leaving off the interest. This proposition is offered in good faith and will be accepted whether any other claim holder does or not. No strings to my proposition at all. Now suppose you put up or shut up.  
J. R. SWANN.

United States Deputy Collector H. C. Hart, of Knoxville, Tenn., makes the statement that there are 400 out of 516 licensed distillers in North Carolina that are defrauding the government. Does that surprise any one? We have long had the impression that they all do. It's rather cheering that some do not. It would be a sign of the millennium approach if the whole revenue manipulation should show as good proportion of privity. When a man gets his foot into it with the revenue department he is generally stied up and ruined unless he will agree to your right. It would hardly be putting it too strongly to say that the drink evil itself is little more

to be deplored than the whole system that pretends to restrict it with political manipulated revenue laws.—Consolid Standard.

### Cleveland Roberts Killed by Train Near Knoxville.

Cleveland Roberts, son of Bud Roberts, of Little Pine Creek and Henry Stines, of Little Pine ran away from home about a month ago and went somewhere in Kentucky; after wandering long enough to find that there was no place like home they wrote for money to come home and the money was sent, but for some reason they did not receive it, and the boys were working their way home as best they could. They had gotten a short distance this side of Knoxville and had set down near the track to rest and they both dropped off to sleep. When Stines waked up Roberts was lying across him and a freight train had just passed. Stines got up and found Roberts unconscious, bruised and bleeding. Stines then went to a mill of some kind near by and got the watchman to assist him in removing the body to the mill and telephoned to the city about the accident. The railroad company had his body carried into the city and prepared for burial by Hill & Donohue, undertakers.

The accident occurred early Saturday night and the sad news was received here early Sunday morning. Kind friends soon conveyed the sad news to the parents who live five miles from town. The body was ordered here which arrived on train No. 12 Sunday and was carried immediately to the old home on Pine Creek where the funeral services were conducted on Monday by Rev. J. H. Polhemus of Marshall.

A large number of relatives and friends attended the burial. The Record joins their many friends in extending a heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

### Wife of Senator Pritchard Dead.

Mrs. J. C. Pritchard died Friday night, August 1st, at the hospital at Biltmore, N. C., where she had been taken by the Senator for an operation and special treatment for cancer from which she was suffering.

The remains were prepared for burial by Undertaker C. W. Brown of Asheville and were brought here Saturday afternoon and carried to the Senators beautiful home, Coolidge, one mile from town. There was quite a large concourse of friends and relatives that met the remains at the train and an escort of horsemen accompanied the remains to their home.

The funeral services were beautifully conducted at home at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon by Rev. L. H. Polhemus and Rev. M. A. Wood. Quite a large crowd was present from the town and sur-

rounding country as well as a number of friends from a distance to witness the last sad rites.

The remains were interred in the family burying ground near the Senator's home.

The beautiful flowers and wreaths were many, more than enough to cover the entire mound. Mrs. Pritchard was a devoted Christian woman, a loving wife and mother, a kind neighbor, and will be much missed by all who knew her.

The sympathy of our entire community will go out to the senator and his family in their sad affliction.

### Resolutions of Respect.

WHEREAS, In the inscrutable wisdom of the Great architect there has been removed from these earthly labors one of his workmen—a brother of ours—

And, whereas, we feel the loss of his presence and his fraternal greetings, therefore be it resolved by French Broad Lodge, No. 292, that in the death of Bro. John B. Nelson this lodge has lost one of its most valued and highly respected members and one who was one of the charter members of the same.

2nd. That the members of this lodge wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

3rd. That a page in minutes of the lodge be devoted to these resolutions and that copies be sent to the local papers for publication and that the secretary be instructed to send to the family of our deceased brother a copy of the same, as an indication of the deep condolence we feel for them in their bereavement and conveying the intelligence of our own grief at the departure of so noble and beloved a brother.

JOHN JARRETT,  
J. H. WHITE,  
J. N. JONES,  
Committee.

### A CARD.

The undersigned, on behalf of Thos. M. Huffman, Esq., of Catawba county, desire to thank his friends and supporters for their valuable work in the contest in the Ninth Congressional District, as shown in the recent convention at Morganton.

W. A. SELF,  
FRANK A. CLINARD  
J. D. ELLIOTT,  
T. J. GREEN,  
J. H. AIKEN.  
Hickory, N. C., July 23, 1902.

### A Correction.

The item published in the Eagle a few weeks ago which said or intimated that I intended to vote a republican ticket was an absolute mistake, as I am a democrat and see no reason to change my views at this time. Republican ring rule has already about ruined Madison county.

D. M. WILSON,  
Grapevine, N. C., August 1st.

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1.50 " "	1.15
1.25 " "	1.05
1.00 " "	.75 & 80c
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Hose	.7c

Dress Goods—

75c Serge at	53c
60c Novelty at	40c
35c Cashmeres at	25c
30c Cashmeres at	20c
30c Cashmeres at	15c
15c Cashmeres at	10c
Calicoes at	3 1/2 to 5c
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A few Lawns at 4, 5 and 7 1/2 cents per yard, worth from 6 to 12 1/2c; Fancy Negligee Shirts, 38c; Good Jeans Pants, 50c; Folding and Woven Wire Bed Springs, 1.75 and 2.00; Crock-Ware, 7 1/2c per gal; Best Coffee in town, 9 lbs to 1.00; A real good one at 12 lbs to 1.00

# J. R. Swann

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