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W. J. GUDGER & SON

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE.

By virtue of the power vested in the undersigned trustee in a certain deed of trust executed on the 22nd day of March 1902 by J. C. Kilpatrick and S. K. Kilpatrick to W. W. Zachary which deed of trust and the note which it was given to secure have been duly transferred to J. J. Redmon and default having been made in the payment of the note secured by said deed of trust and having been requested by the holder of the said note and deed of trust to proceed to sell the land hereinafter described I will therefore sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in the town of Marshall on SATURDAY the FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1902, at 12 o'clock in the following described tract or parcel of land, lying and being in the county of Madison, adjoining the lands of H. G. Chandley, H. D. McCain, W. J. West and others, this being a 54 acre tract of land lying and being on the Landers branch of Walnut creek, and what is known as Lot No. 6 of the estate of A. J. Ramsey, as divided among his heirs. And for the metes and bounds of the said tract of land reference is had to an old deed in trust given to secure a debt to J. N. West and recorded in Book of the records of deeds of trust for Madison county on page 506 where said metes and bounds are fully set out. The proceeds of said sale will be applied to the discharge of the debt above referred to together with interest and cost of sale, and the remainder if any will be paid to the said J. C. Kilpatrick and S. K. Kilpatrick. This October 1st, 1902. JOSEPH R. HE S, Trustee

NOTICE.

All who may be concerned, will take notice that the undersigned has qualified as administratrix of the estate of H. F. Merrill deceased. All accounts against said estate must be presented within twelve months from this date or this notice will be plead against the filing of said accounts against the estate. This 17. day of Sep. 1902. Jane Merrell, Executrix

EXCURSION

Southern Inter-State Fair ATLANTA, Ga. October 8th. to 25th, 1902. ATLANTA, KNOXVILLE AND NORTHERN RAILWAY. Will for the above occasion sell round trip tickets from all Agency Stations to Atlanta and return at the following rates: KNOXVILLE, TENN., \$6.80 Above rates include one admission to the Fair. Tickets to be sold from all Georgia stations daily Oct. 7th to 24th, except Sundays. From all other stations Oct. 10th, 18th, 24th, 16th and 21st. Final limit of all tickets Oct. 27th, 1902. Be sure that your tickets read via the A. K. & N. Ry., the Southern Scenic Line over the loop.

WANTED

1000 Cords good Hickory for 4x Handier 8 feet and 4 inches long with 2 1/2 inches or more white. 100000 White Oak billets for Wagon Spokes - long young growth, cut 25 and 30 inches long, split 2 1/2 inches, board fashion. For which we will pay a good price delivered at Barnard. NICHOLS & NICHOLS

TEAMS WANTED

WANTED teams to haul lumber from Laurel to Marshall, distance 12 to 18 miles, cash at end of each load. Good teams making from two to three dollars per day. For further particulars address, B. E. HONEYCUTT, Mars Hill, N. C.

The Doctor made a great deal of fuss over his "seven seals" which when properly considered was only an exposure of his own men.

The Ring candidates put in most of their time dodging their own records holering prosperity. The taxpayers gets the whoop and the Ring gets the prosperity.

It is very strange that the settlement book for the years 1892 to 1898 have not yet been produced. They would no doubt make some interesting reading, the register of dead should have it but fails to produce it.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made to his Excellency the Hon. Chas. B. Aycock Governor of North Carolina for the pardon of Alex Parris, and John Garrison now serving sentences in the State prison. JOSE PARRIS

SURVEYING.

All persons who have land to survey would do well to remember that J. H. Hunter of Outlook, N. C., is one among the best if not the best land surveyor in Western Carolina and always ready to serve the people on short notice.

WHISKEY BEANS.

Something absolutely new and with which we have experimented for years. One Bean makes one glass Artificial Whiskey (Dive or Farnham) six Beans to the pint. Just the thing for travellers, and convenient for picnic, excursions, etc. Cures all the victims of the best whiskeys without the deleterious effect. Made from the pure vegetable matter, and guaranteed to contain no poisonous or narcotic drugs of any description. If a beverage is not a stimulant, a Bean may be taken in the mouth without water, and the most exhilarating effect will be experienced. Box of 12 Beans, 50c. The Beans retail at 10c each, and can be procured from any drug store, fancy grocery, or fruit store. Has for sale on sliding case. One box sent postpaid on receipt of 50 cts.

SIOU RIZE.

Subscribes for the Record and get all the facts in reference to the 9th Congressional district and at the same time get a chance of the SIOU RIZE. The money you give, the better your chances are to get a prize. Turn to our press office on another page and read it carefully.

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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.



DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET Superintendent of Public Instruction: J. Y. JOYNER, Guilford County. Member of the North Carolina Corporation Commission: EUGENE C. BEDDINGFIELD, Wake County

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court: WALTER CLARK, Wake County. Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: HENRY G. CONNOR, Wilson County. PLATT D. WALKER, Mecklenburg County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Second Judicial District: ROBERT B. PEEBLES, Northampton County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Fourth Judicial District: CHARLES M COOKE, Franklin County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Sixth Judicial District: WILLIAM R. ALLEN, Wayne County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Eighth Judicial District: WALTER H. NEAL, Scotland County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Tenth Judicial District: BENJAMIN F. LONG, Iredell County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Eleventh Judicial District: ERASTUS B JONES, Forsyth County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Thirteenth Judicial District: WILLIAM B. COUNCIL, Catawba County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Fourteenth Judicial District: MICHAEL H. JUSTICE, Rutherford County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Fifteenth Judicial District: FREDERICK MOORE, Buncombe County.

Judge of the Superior Court of the Sixteenth Judicial District: GARLAND S. FERGUSON, Haywood County.

Solicitor 15th district: WM. J. COCKE. Congressman, 9th district: HON. E. Y. WEBB

COUNTY TICKET Representative - THOMAS, N. JAMES. Clerk Superior Court - HOWARD A. ANGEL. Sheriff - J. R. SWANN. Register of Deeds - J. WILL GOLDSMITH.

Treasurer - JAMES E. BRYAN. Coroner - Dr. I. E. BURNETT. Surveyor - J. HARDY HUNTER. Commissioners - MERRITT F. WHITT, M. C. BUCKNER, HENRY B. BALDING.

Will the Eagle, the mouthpiece of the Court House Ring and the Claim Speculators of the county, please let us know how the Ring candidate for representative (Mr. Hamlin) stands on the question of foreing the Claim Speculators of the county to take their money and legal interest for their debts, and thereby saving to the county about twenty five or thirty thousand dollars?

We would like to ask the Eagle, the mouthpiece of the Court House Ring and claim speculators of the county, why it is that the Ring requires the county treasurer to hold more than five thousand dollars of the public funds of the county in his hands, while the people to whom the money is going are asking for the money every day?

We would like to ask the Eagle, the mouthpiece of the Court House Ring, how the Ring candidate for representative (Mr. Hamlin) stands on the liquor question in the county?

How About the Discoveries for 1899? The following are the amounts of taxes collected from discoveries as accounted for by the sheriff in his final settlement of the tax lists for the year's mentioned below:

1900 School to discoveries 180 87. General county to discoveries 195 42. Pauper to discoveries 8 80. County road to discoveries 44.37. July to discoveries 88.75. Total 517.21.

1899. School to discoveries nothing. General county to discoveries 60.61. Pauper to discoveries nothing. County road to discoveries nothing. July to discoveries nothing.

1898. School to discoveries 121.00. General county to discoveries 406.71. Total 527.71

We give above the amounts of discoveries as turned in by the sheriff for the year's 1898, 1899 and 1900, as a own of the finance settlement book. We give the amounts of discoveries for the year 1898 and 1900 for the purpose of showing about what the average amounts of discoveries is usually turned in.

The strange thing about the account for the year 1899 is how the general county fund could get 60.61 as its part of the discoveries for that year and the school children of the county did not get a cent. It is our understanding of the law that tax-s collected from discoveries is distributed among the various county funds just the same as any other taxes.

Will the Eagle, the mouthpiece of the Court House Ring, please tell us what became of the part of the discoveries for the year 1899 that ought to have been paid into the school funds?

This is a question that not only affects every taxpayer in the county but every little boy and girl in the county has a right to know why they did not get the benefit of that part of the money collected out of the discoveries for the year 1899 that belonged to the school funds.

To any persecution of good county officers and to about corruption at the old board of commissioners who have been out of office for six years may satisfy some of the voters of the county but it will not give to the school children of the county the advantage that they have been deprived of by reason of the fact the money was not paid in. Answer the question.

None of the Ring candidates have ever explained why they have not made "itemized and detailed accounts" as the law directs. Wonder why it is that they dont want the public to see them.

AMERICA'S FAMOUS BEAUTIES.

Look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blisters, Sores, Pimples, They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Beckie's America Soap. It glorifies the face. Eczema or Salt Rheum - smud before it cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains. Infallible for Piles. Sold at Radison & Roberts drug store.

Where is the Money

It is a well known fact by all the readers of The Record that section 729 of the Code requires all county officers to render a verified and itemized annual account on the first Monday in December or other if required. The law specifically declares that the account must specify the person to whom every cent is paid. The board of county commissioners must pass on the account and if they approve it, then the account must be recorded on a book kept for that purpose just the same as a deed must be recorded and the original report kept on file in the office.

We give below an exact copy of all of the reports as attempted to be made by the present register of deeds of Madison county. Dec. 1st, 1898, annual account of V. B. Davis, register of deeds. Madison county. Dr. To marriage license funds beginning Dec. 1st, 1897 and ending Dec. 1st, '98, \$124.00. Credit by paying for books and stationary for register's office \$124.00.

Dec. 1st, 1899 marriage license due the county \$137.00. County claims to balance same Dec. 1st, 1901, marriage license issued beginning Dec. 1st, 1900 and ending November the 31st 1901, \$147.00. T. cash and claims to balance \$147.00.

We give above again the exact copy of all the annual reports ever filed by V. B. Davis register of deeds during the six years in which he has been in office.

We are informed that he claims to have paid the money into the sheriff and that the sheriff has settled with the county for the amounts. We can not understand why Mr. Davis would make his reports as above if the money was turned into the sheriff. If he did why should he take credit for books and stationary bought for the register of deeds office?

It only shows that if he had made his reports as required by law, by itemizing every dollar that he pays out, to whom and for what purpose then there could be no doubt about how the matter is. But as it is the taxpayers have a right to ask questions as to what has become of funds which the reports of the officer do not show. A public office is a public trust has been well said by a good man, and the funds that he handles belong to the public and the taxpayers to whom it belongs have a right to know all about it and if the reports of the officers do not show it, it is not only the privilege but the absolute duty of every good citizen to ask such questions as will ascertain the facts in the case. So if the officers will only make their annual reports as required by law there will be no trouble to tell what becomes of the money.

The following is a list of the amounts of the arrears of insolvents as accounted for by the sheriff of the county in his final settlements of the tax lists for the years below named:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. 1901.....\$215-18, 1900.....nothing, 1899.....nothing, 1898.....nothing, 1897.....nothing

The year 1897 is as far back as we could find any books in the office where-in anything could be ascertained about the settlements of the public funds of the county. We would be glad to be able to run the above list back for several years more but it is impossible on account of not being able to find the books.

Will the Eagle, through its trade and professional editor, please tell us why it is that there was not a cent turned in at the final settlement of the sheriff of the tax lists of the years 1897, 1898, 1899 and 1900 and that there were \$215.13 turned in at the final settlement of the list of 1901, after The Record had been started? We want no dodging and crying persecution of good county officers in answer to the question. That will not satisfy the tax payers. Answer this question. Answer this question.

Don't be deceived by the Court House Ringlets vote on the 4th according to your own dictates.

Some of the Court House ring candidates saw the hole in which the failure of the paying over of the arrears of insolvents put some of their men and they rushed to Superintendent James for the purpose of getting him to give them a statement of the fact that the sheriff had paid in arrears of insolvents for the years 1898, 1899 and 1900. They got the certificate and went out on the campaign making great capital out of it.

But upon investigation it is found that those amounts were not turned into the superintendent until about the 12th day of January 1902, long after the final settlements for the years 1898, 1899 and 1900 had been made. Then they come in and claim credit for turning it in at that late day. But turning it in at that time only proves the contention of The Record. That is: that because it has forced the officers to make their reports and when they began to make their reports then these matters that had been held back were brought to the front and the school funds got the benefit of them which it never would have done had it not been for The Record.

We have asked the Eagle several times and the question is still standing in this issue of the paper, to explain how these matters are but it says not a word. It can not deny them because it knows we can produce the records of the settlements and show that we have stated nothing but facts. The Eagle had much rather get off a lot of gush in reference to Mr. Swann in which there is not a single word of truth than to deal with cold facts taken from the records of the settlements of the county wherein public funds were not turned into the proper place. Let us hear from you about these matters.

The Eagle is great on falling in line. It has been the position of this paper all the time that it was an outrage for solicitors of the court to confer with defendants and make deals with them outside of the court house and allow cases to go off of the docket without a trial and fair investigation in open court; that the solicitor had no more right in morals to dicker with the defendant than an attorney has to appear on both sides of a civil action. We have before stated what was our honest opinion, that is, "That Madison county has suffered more on account of solicitors taking submissions outside of the court house" than from any other one cause." The Eagle criticised this paper severely for its stand on the question at the time.

Since Mr. Mark W. Brown, the republican candidate for solicitor, has taken the same position that this paper has maintained all the time, the Eagle comes out in an editorial and indorses our position on the question and urges that as a strong reason why every man ought to vote for Mr. Brown. There would be some reason in their claim that every man ought to vote for Mr. Brown on that ground if it were not for the fact that Mr. W. J. Cock, the candidate against Mr. Brown is just as strongly in favor of that position as Mr. Brown is.

Mr. Cock authorizes us to state that he is unalterably opposed to any submissions being taken out side of the court house by any solicitor and that if he is elected that he will see that every case is fully investigated in open court and that he will make no deals with defendants for cases but will appear on the states side of the docket strictly.

GOES LIKE HOT CAKES.

"The fastest selling article I have in my store," writes druggist T. C. Smith, of Davis, Ky., "Is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, because it always cures. In my six years of sales it has never failed. I have known it to save sufferers from throat and lung diseases, who could get no help from doctors or any other remedy." Mothers rely on it, best physicians prescribe it and, Radison & Roberts guarantee satisfaction or refund price. Trial bottles free Reg. sizes, 50c and \$1.

A vote for Mr. Hamlin the Ring candidate for representative is a vote to put him in the position to levy a higher tax than ever on the people of the county in order to pay his boss's seventeen thousand dollars in speculation claims. What is it that he would not do if his boss were to tell him to do it.

Vote for Wm. J. Cocke for Solicitor. He will not be controlled by the Court House Ring.

Some of the friends of Mr. Mark W. Brown have been trying to create the impression in this district that I was not heartily supporting Mr. W. J. Cock for solicitor.

I wish to state that I regard the election of Mr. Cock of more importance to the taxpayers of this county than the election of any other officer that is before the people.

It is a matter of the greatest importance to have a solicitor who will not be under the control of the Court House Ring in order that they may be forced to comply with the law in their dealings with the public funds of the county and also compelled to render their accounts as required by law.

I have been supporting Mr. Cock ever since he was nominated and expect to do all that I can honorably to secure his election. I therefore request all my friends to do all they can for him in helping to secure his election.

W. W. ZACHARY. Marshall, Oct. 29th, 1902.

Are the people of Madison county satisfied with their county government? If not, the power is in their hands to change it. No one party will hold office continuously without becoming corrupt. The republican party has had control here for many years, and we need not add has become corrupt. It takes no argument to prove this, except that the county is in debt seventy thousand dollars and poll tax, three dollars and thirty-five cents. We pay a higher poll than any county in the state, yet our county debt increases. If this thing lasts it means ruin to the property holders of the county.

The Court House Ring realizes for the first time in its rotten history that it faces defeat. The cold, stern fact that the good people of Madison county are indignant at the management of affairs is causing some of the ringsters to shake in their boots. They hope by a rally to drive their men in line. This game has been played on the people before. As Lincoln says: "You can fool all the people a part of the time, you can fool a part of the people all the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time." We don't believe the republican party can be fooled again by the sound of a brass band. The program for Saturday as far as known is as follows: Two taps on doc roberts horn, fall in line and be decorated with campaign buttons, go home and vote for the Court House Ring.

After the Court House Ring has done every thing in their power for several months to circulate false charges on J. R. Swann of the most frivolous kind. The circulated frivolous charges because they could get nothing against Mr. Swann that there was any truth in so they had to confine their attack to frivolous charges.

But now as the election is near at hand they think that they can make charges that can not be answered before it is too late to prevent them injuring Mr. Swann in his election.

But if there could have been anything that there was truth in conjured up that would have injured him they would have long since been circulating it. Then let any thing that they will start at this late day be regarded only in the light of a campaign lie. So let every one be on the look out for such lies, for the crowd that is fighting Mr. Swann will resort to anything in their power to carry their point.

FALSE REPORTS.

The report in circulation that I favor a property qualification for voting is absolutely false. I favor the payment of poll tax before voting and that is all. And I believe every other tax payer in the county endorses this.

The report is being circulated for no other purpose than to divert attention from the bad management of county affairs, dont be deceived.

J. R. SWANN.

We do not mind a few republicans reading themselves out of the democratic party for political effect but when week after week they publish letters from men who never cast a democratic vote in the county to try to live and others who never voted the ticket more than one time in their lives, claiming to be life long democrats it gets rather monotonous.

Why do they have republicans to write letters over their own names withdrawn from the democratic party? It can be for no other reason than to try to create a false impression by attempting to make people believe that there are men leaving the party who the truth is, they never were in the party.