STATE FUNDS STOLEN.

A Defalcation in the Treasury Clerk of Last Administration Confesses the Theft—Gov. Aycock Reports the Matter to the Legislature—Defaulter Sent to Jail.

Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer.

There was a sensation here this afternoon when Governor Aycock sent the following message to the Legislature:

"It becomes my painful duty to communicate the fact that a deficit has been found in the account of the State's funds in the Treasury Department. I am informed by the Treasurer, who has been investigating for two or three days, that the deficit amounts to about $4,000, so far as has been ascertained. The deficit appears to have begun early in the year 1900 or possibly before then and continued until about the last of November. Books have been changed so as to force balances. This morning the State Treasurer sent for W. H. Martin, who had for several years been a clerk in the office until the 10th of March, and confronted him with the changes in the books. Major Martin admits the changes and confesses he took the money, according to his statement, $3,800.

"I deem it my duty to lay these matters before you that a committee may be appointed with authority to send for persons and papers and make a thorough and complete examination. The committee should, of course, be authorized to sit during the recess of the Legislature."

The House and Senate at once adopted a resolution raising a committee of three to make the examination.

The story of the discovery of the theft is interesting. Five days ago the penitentiary sent a warrant to the Treasurer for some money and it was found the account had been overdrawn about $800. Clerk Arrington was sent to the penitentiary to investigate, as the penitentiary claimed it had at least $4,000 in the Treasury. It was quickly found that the amounts of many warrants had been increased in the most bungling manner.

For instance a warrant for $1.005 was altered to $1,605; one $114 to $414. No care was taken in the use of ink. The warrants did not tally with the checks issued on the state show. The legislative investigating committee which examined the books of the Treasury last December, did not it is learned, compare the stubs of the check books with the warrants. Had it done so, the stealing would have been discovered then.

As soon as the Treasurer discovered the theft he sent for Martin this morning. He also sent for ex-Treasurer Worth and the president of the bank in which these particular funds were kept. All these went to the Auditor's office. It is said that Martin, who had been a clerk in charge of the books of State institutions, knew five days ago that his thefts had been discovered. To-day he called the bank president out of his room and made full confession to him. He said he had been stealing over a year, but perhaps that time was suggested by a remark made by the Treasurer that the frauds had been discovered reaching back something over a year. Martin told the Treasurer and Auditor that nothing was wrong with any accounts other than that of the penitentiary; that these he did all his stealing. The investigating by the Treasurer only goes back a year and it may be there was stealing before then.

Martin said he did not intend to be sent to the penitentiary. Some construe this to mean that he will commit suicide. One official said his work was worthy of a crazy man. Of course Martin could have left. He is under $20,000 bond in a surety company. He was arrested on a bench warrant, and required to give $4,000 bail; could not give it and at 7:30 was jailed.

He was during the civil war a major of a New York regiment, and moved here in 1866. He was for many years chief clerk in the revenue department. His age is about 60. It is hinted that a woman was the cause of his downfall.

COTTON MILL FOR LENOIR.

Guarantee Capital Subscribed Interested—Lenoir Citizens Enthusiastic—The Money All Subscribed.

Lenoir News.

For about a week Lenoir has been talking cotton mill like a down east cotton town.

Some days ago, Mr. J. D. Moore, of Gastonia, wrote Mr. M. M. Courtney, of this place, that he and his mill superintendent Mr. J. O. White had decided to build another cotton mill this year and had $40,000 to put in the enterprise. He asked how Lenoir felt on the subject and if $25,000 or $40,000 more could be raised for a mill in Lenoir. Mr. Courtney called some of the business men together to consider the matter and it was the consensus of opinion that the proposition was too flattering and meant too much for Lenoir for it to go by. So quite a number of men went to work, getting up subscriptions and yesterday afternoon a meeting was held in the Bank of Lenoir building, at which $30,000 of bona fide subscriptions were made and the $25,000 was guaranteed.

Mr. Moore was wired at once that the money had been raised and asked him when he could come to look over the available sites for the mill. A committee was appointed to examine and get options on any available sites and have the necessary arrangements made so Mr. Moore can see them when he comes. The mill seems assured, with perhaps only one doubt, as to its certainty, and that is that Dallas is working hard for it and may by some means get the mill, but we do not think so. Mr. Moore is very favorably impressed with Lenoir as a place for a mill, there being many reasons why it is more eligibly situated than Dallas. The mill will be a 5,000 spindle one now mill built with a view to doubling the capacity, if required, up to date in every way. Lenoir's enterprise and pluck manifested itself substantially and promptly in this matter and shows that she is wide-awake and ready to act when the occasion offers. We are to be congratulated upon being associated in the enterprise with Mr. Moore, who is one of the foremost most successful cotton mill men in the country and his experience and ability will be of incalculable value to the enterprise. Mr. Moore will be up Monday to look over the available sites.

The report of the North Carolina Geological Survey shows that the value of the output of mineral products during the past two years is more than $1,000,000, and the amount of capital invested in that direction more than $2,000,000 have been invested in the development of water powers and the timber interests.

MONEY AS A CROP FACTOR.

How Egypt Is Relying Upon Her African Colonies to Supply the Long Staple.

New York Commercial.

Modern engineers suggested to the Egyptian government that if a dam were to be built a little way south of Cairo, so as to provide a storage reservoir, then all the delta country of the Nile could rely upon irrigation as certainly as it could upon the rising and setting of the sun. That work was undertaken, and experience has shown that the engineers predicted with accuracy.

With storage reservoirs large enough to secure certain irrigation every year for the enormous valley of the Nile, then that most fertile territory becomes a certain and a producer of agricultural products, the command of which will be of almost inestimable advantage to Great Britain in the struggle for commercial supremacy which is now beginning.

Already Egypt raises one-tenth of the cotton supply of the world, and it is a kind of cotton which has advantages recognized by every manufacturer, especially of cotton thread. It is the long staple cotton, and excepting upon our sea islands we raise very little cotton of that character.

With permanent irrigation and with modern methods and with modern agricultural implements there seems to be no reason why Egypt should not in the near future raise a majority of the cotton which the English manufacturers need. Undoubtedly it is that which has induced the British statesman and financiers, with the earnest encouragement of the manufacturers, to aid Egypt in financing these public works.

England sees a colony practically as near to her as are the cotton fields of the United States providing for her a staple article for which she has been in great measure dependent upon the United States. With a better quality of cotton, with the expectation that she can get it to the doors of her manufactories at less cost than American cotton, Great Britain sees in the development of the immense Nile Valley by the cotton growers an opportunity to get the mastery of what is to be one of the great features of the world's trade—the cotton goods market.

"Cold Parlor" Reception.

Spartanburg Journal.

In conversatoin with a friend the other day she said that she had paid thirteen calls the week before, on a cold raw day, and at only two homes she had been invited into a fire. At other places she was received in the "proverbial cold parlor," instead of a pleasant outing the result was a hard struggle with a severe attack of grip. This experience led to a discussion of the situation which has of course two sides. Very many families keep during the day but one fire, and that in the living room. This room, and particularly where there are children, cannot always be in perfect order, and so the mistress of the house hesitates about receiving formal callers there. The parlor is the one presentable refuge, cold though it be, and the average mistress prefers a criticism of temperature rather than one of disorder and a reputation for bad housekeeping. It seems that these difficulties might be simplified by adopting the custom of announcing specified days of the week as one's reception day. The practice is becoming very general in many places and is thoroughly satisfactory. The plan might be perfected by ladies residing in the same locality using the same reception days. This will readily be seen to work to advantage to all concerned, and will greatly lessen the inconvenience of visiting one's friends when they live sometimes great distances apart. A hostess will enjoy her visitors more when she feels that her home is in order, her domestic affairs running smoothly and her children well cared for. Then when she is conscious of looking well, with hair prettily arranged and a becoming gown how her wit scintillates, how bright her repartee, and what a warm welcome each guest receives. A proper setting goes a long way to making a woman clever agreeable, pretty and altogether fascinating.

McLaurin an Independent?

Yorkville Enquirer.

The following dispatch sent out from Columbia, under the date of March 11 seems calculated to bring out a more comprehensive statement from Senator McLaurin: "Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina if so longer a Democrat says a Washington dispatch. His name has been stricken from the Democratic caucus roll, and this has been done with the indorsement of the gentleman himself. For some time the junior senator from South Carolina has been voting with the Republicans on every occasion where there was a division anything like political lines. To Democratic friends who have spoken with him on the subject, he has contented himself with declaring his votes are in accordance with his conscientious idea of what was correct and has said that he would continue to vote as he thought right despite all the criticisms of his Democratic colleagues. He has up to the present declared that he was a Democrat, and that it would be found, when the matter came to a test, that votes met the approval of the most progressive element of Southern Democracy. Now, however, he has formally separated himself from his party.

Filled the Chinks with Creosote.

Statesville Landmark.

A distressing occurrence happened at the home of Mr. John Hatchett, who lives in the corner of Bethany township; two or three miles from Statesville, about three weeks ago. There was a young child in the family, two or three weeks old. Mrs. Hatchett had been suffering from toothache and had used creosote to ease the pain. A small boy, four or five years old, had seen his mother use the creosote for her tooth and one day, when no one was watching, he got hold of the bottle and poured some of the poison on the face and in the mouth of the little baby, saying that he wanted to give the baby medicine for the toothache. The child died from the effects of the creosote administered by the boy, who had no idea of the danger.

The Negro, Barber, who is confined in the jail house with a case of small pox, is getting along nicely and is entirely out of danger. All of the suspects in the house of detention are also getting along well. As yet there are no signs of new developments of the disease.—Yorkville Enquirer.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.

German Specialist Coming on a Mission of Investigation.

Baron Hermann, agricultural expert of the German embassy, has received word from the German government that a specialist designated by the agricultural societies will soon leave Berlin for the United States to make a careful inquiry into the use of American agricultural machinery with a view to its introduction into general use in Germany. The movement is highly satisfactory to Baron Hermann, who has for some time been urging upon the German authorities the marked advantages of American agricultural machinery. Moreover, he looks upon the move as one likely to prove beneficial both to German agriculture and to American manufacturers, as it promises to open a new market for American goods to the farming sections of Germany.

The marked advantages of American agricultural machinery in the labor saving appliances have appealed to Germany for some time, but not until now has any positive action been taken to bring about the introduction of the American articles. Just now the question appeals to Germany with added force, as the agricultural sections are being depopulated, while the manufacturing centers are being overcrowded. Under these circumstances it is felt to be desirable to give every modern facility to the agricultural class to continue the productive capacity of the farms to their full limit. The officials have observed in this connection that the want of farm labor in America has stimulated invention in innumerable labor saving lines, which have now taken the place of hand labor. These include not only the ponderous machines operated on large western farms, but also comparatively small devices of farm labor, all contributing greatly to the economy of farm production.

Baron Hermann has urged them upon the government, and it is now the purpose to make a thorough inquiry, both on the farms and in the agricultural factory. The expert will arrive in this country about the time the sowing season begins and through the spring and summer will give his attention to the farms, going to the agricultural factories in the fall. Baron Hermann foresees in the movement results alike beneficial to both countries.

SHE CLAIMS NEW STAR.

Vassar Girl Disputes Edinburgh Astronomer's Right to Its Discovery.

Again has the twentieth century woman come to the front. A Vassar college girl now actually challenges the right of Dr. T. D. Anderson, Edinburgh's distinguished astronomer, to be regarded as the discoverer of the brilliant new star in the constellation Perseus, about which the star gazers and the Atlantic cable have been so busy of late.

Miss Ida Watson, a student in the astronomical department of Vassar, says she saw that star herself at 11 o'clock on the very night Dr. Anderson discovered it, and Miss Ida is confident that she saw it first.

Miss Watson asserts that there is no collusion with Professor Anderson and that her discovery was quite independent of his, as becomes a Vassar girl. According to Miss Watson, she was doing some star gazing on her own account that evening. While gazing fondly at Algol at 11 o'clock on the night of Feb. 21 Miss Watson saw an even brighter and handsomer face in Algol's immediate vicinity, to which she at once transferred her interest. She recognized it immediately as a new star, nearly as bright as Capella, the brilliant yellow tinted, heavenly high roller, who poses directly overhead in the early evenings in the latitude of Poughkeepsie.

Another observation, made on Feb. 25, showed the new arrival to have paled in brightness slightly, being then in about the same class with Pollux, the most brilliant of the celebrated celestial twins. On the same evening the spectroscope was attached to the 12 inch equatorial of the college observatory, and the spectrum of the new star was found to be continuous, crossed by broad lines, thus giving evidence of great outbursts of hydrogen and helium.

To Prevent Cuts in Book Prices.

The leading publishers of the country have at last reached a definite agreement upon the question of preventing demoralizing cuts in book prices, and their plan is to become operative on copyrighted books published after May 1. The Publishers' association has been agitating this matter since early last summer, and the report of its special committee, presenting a plan for reform which is comprehensive and farreaching, has just been adopted.

Starting in Late.

Former Chief Judge Logan E. Bleckley of Georgia has matriculated at the state university for a course in mathematics. He is 70 years old and engaged on a book part of which treats of a branch of mathematics in which, as he says, he has "grown rusty."

What Washington Missed.

He never swung a driver at the tee—
Poor old George!
He never heard of Bunkel Waldemee—
Poor old George!
There won't any Kenna in his day;
He mighty Boers stemmed across the sea.
I never heard a gentle maiden say,
"The boy is busy, stop your singing, please!"
Poor old George!

He never heard of Bill of Congress—
Poor old George!
Or tried to make a trusts island free—
Poor old George!
He never saw a train go like a streak
Of lightning through a whistling cloud of dust;
He never cheered a million every week.
Never got within the circle of a trust—
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—Chicago Times-Herald.

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Arrive Yorkville	8 [illegible]	4 50 a m
Arrive Gastonia	9 30 a m	12 27 p m
Leave Gastonia		1 35 p m
Arrive Lincolnton	10 45 a m	2 45 p m
Arrive Newton	11 20 a m	4 20 p m
Arrive Hickory	12 05	5 10 p m
Leave Hickory	12 15 p m	5 20 p m
Arrive Lenoir	1 10 p m	7 20 p m

GOING SOUTH.	No. 9.	No. 41
Leave Lenoir	2 05 p m	8 30 a m
Arrive Hickory	3 02 p m	9 10 a m
Arrive Newton	3 20 p m	9 55 a m
Arrive Lincolnton	4 20 p m	11 10 a m
Arrive Gastonia	5 30 p m	12 35 p m
Leave Gastonia	5 30 p m	1 12 p m
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Northbound.	No. 12. Daily.	Ves. No. 38. Daily.	Expr. No. 34. Daily.	Fast Ma. No. 34. Daily.
Lv. Atlanta, CT	7 50 a	12 00 n	11 30 p	11 30 p
" Atlanta, ET	8 [illegible]	1 00	1 20 p	12 10 a
" Norcross	9 30 a	.....	2 40 p	1 26 a
" Buford	10 05 a	.....	3 20 p	1 51 a
" Gainesville	10 45 a	2 25 p	3 50 p	2 15 a
" Lula	10 58 a	2 40 p	3 40 p	2 28 a
" Cornelia	11 25 a	.....	.....	.....
" Mt. Airy	11 30 a	.....	4 5	.....
Lv. Toccoa	11 55 a	3 [illegible]	4 [illegible]	3 25 a
Ar. Elberton		6 [illegible]	6 [illegible]	11 [illegible]
Lv. Elberton	2 00 n	.....	.....	.....
Lv. Williamston	2 [illegible]	.....	4 [illegible]	.....
" Benson	12 37 p	4 15 p	5 [illegible]	4 [illegible]
" Central	1 42 p	.....	5 [illegible]	4 [illegible]
" Greenville	2 24 p	5 22 p	6 34 p	6 [illegible]
" Spartanburg	3 37 p	6 [illegible]	8 00 p	7 [illegible]
" Gaffney	4 23 p	6 49 p	7 41 p	7 [illegible]
" Blacksburg	4 [illegible] p	7 02 p	7 57 p	8 [illegible]
" King's Mt.	5 15 p	.....	8 17 p	8 [illegible]
" Gastonia	5 40 p	.....	8 35 p	8 51 a
" Charlotte	6 50 p	8 15 p	9 [illegible] p	9 51 a
Ar. Greensboro	9 15 p	10 40 p	11 44 p	12 23 p
Ar. Durham	.....	3 31 a	3 52 a	3 27 p
Ar. Raleigh	.....	4 50 a	5 30 a	5 20 p
Ar. Danville	11 25 p	11 55 p	12 51 a	1 00 p
Ar. Norfolk	8 00 a	8 00 a	8 00 a	.....
Ar. Richmond	6 00 a	6 00 a	6 00 a	6 25 p
Ar. Wilmington	.....	6 [illegible] a	7 00 a	8 00 p
" Newport N.	.....	8 00 a	9 15 a	11 25 p
" Philadelphia	.....	10 [illegible] a	11 55 a	2 05 a
" New York	.....	12 [illegible] n	2 00 p	4 25 a

Southbound.	Fast Ma. No. 35. Daily.	Ves. No. 37. Daily.	No. 11. Daily.	Expr. No. 33. Daily.
Lv. N. Y., P.RR.	12 15 a	4 50 p	.....	8 25 p
" Philadelphia	3 20 a	6 55 p	.....	9 40 p
" Baltimore	4 22 a	8 [illegible] p	.....	10 37 p
" Washington	11 15 a	10 45 p	.....	9 55 p
Lv. Richmond	12 01 n	11 00 p	11 00 p	11 00 p
Lv. Norfolk	9 25 a	7 40 p	7 40 p	7 40 p
Lv. Danville	5 [illegible] p	5 20 a	6 10 a	4 35 a
Lv. Raleigh	2 50 p	1 [illegible]	1 00 a	1 00 a
Lv. Durham	4 40 p	2 30 a	3 [illegible] a	2 30 a
Lv. Greensboro	7 15 p	7 05 a	1 37 a	5 43 a
Ar. Charlotte	9 20 p	9 35 a	12 05 n	8 00 a
Lv. Gastonia	10 42 p	.....	1 17 p	8 41 a
" King's Mt.	11 02 p	.....	1 36 p	9 13 a
" Blacksburg	11 [illegible] p	10 45 a	1 [illegible] p	9 [illegible] a
" Gaffney	11 42 p	10 58 a	2 24 p	9 42 a
" Spartanburg	12 38 a	11 54 a	3 16 p	10 29 a
" Greenville	1 30 a	12 50 p	4 10 p	11 15 a
" Central	.....	.....	5 40 p	12 19 p
" Seneca	2 20 a	1 30 p	6 05 p	12 50 p
" W'minster	.....	.....	6 25 p	1 42 p
" Toccoa	.....	2 15 p	7 05 p	1 24 p
Lv. Elberton	.....	4 00 p	8 00 p	3 00 a
Ar. Elberton	11 [illegible] a	6 30 p	.....	5 [illegible] p
Lv. Mt. Airy	.....	.....	7 00 p	1 50 p
" Cornelia	.....	.....	7 50 p	.....
" Lula	4 15 a	8 14 p	8 10 p	2 30 p
" Gainesville	4 50 a	8 44 p	8 32 p	2 45 p
" Buford	5 02 a	.....	9 00 p	3 17 p
" Norcross	5 35 a	.....	9 35 p	3 52 p
Ar. Atlanta, ET	6 10 a	4 35 p	10 15 p	4 35 p
" Atlanta, CT	6 15 a	4 35 p	9 15 p	3 35 p

Between Lula and Athens.

No. 11. Ex. Sun.	No. 13. Daily.	STATIONS.	No. 12. Daily.	No. 10. Ex. Sun.
8 15 p	11 05 a	Lv. Lula Ar	10 50 a	7 35 p
8 31 p	11 21 a	" Maysville "	10 14 a	6 50 p
9 14 p	12 01 m	" Harmony "	9 44 a	6 20 p
10 00 p	12 50 p	Ar. Athens Lv	9 00 a	5 30 p

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NOTICE

Of Election and New Registration and of Five School Commissioners.

Notice is hereby given of an election to be held in the town of Gastonia, on the question of Graded Schools in said town, of the election of Five School Commissioners, and of a new registration of the qualified voters of the said town, as ordered and provided for in an ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen of the town of Gastonia on the 18th day of March, 1901, which Ordinance is in the following words and figures, to-wit:

GRADED SCHOOL ORDINANCE.

The Board of Aldermen of the town of Gastonia do ordain and declare:

Sec 1. That it is the opinion of the Board of Aldermen that the welfare of the town of Gastonia requires the establishment of a public school in said town, and that it is expedient that the town shall provide the necessary houses and lots for same.

Sec. 2. That an election shall be held in the town hall in Gastonia on the 1st Monday in May, 1901, to ascertain the will of the people of the said town of Gastonia as to issuing bonds of the said town in the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00,) and bearing not more than six per cent. interest per annum, for the purpose of raising funds for the establishment of Graded Schools in the said town and to pay for such lots, buildings and equipments as may be necessary and expedient for same, and to ascertain the will of the people of the said town of Gastonia as to levying a tax to pay said bonds and interest on same not exceeding the rate of Sixty Cents on the Poll and the rate of Twenty Cents on the hundred dollars valuation of taxable property in the said town.

Sec. 3. That at said election those duly registered and qualified voters of the town of Gastonia who shall favor the issuing of the said bonds and the levying of said tax shall vote a ticket on which shall be the words: "For Graded Schools," and those opposed to the issuing of said bonds shall vote a ticket on which shall be the words: "Against Graded Schools."

Sec. 4. That notice of said election shall be given by publication in the GASTONIA GAZETTE and by posting at three public places in the town of Gastonia for thirty days preceding the day of the said election.

Sec. 5. That there shall be a new registration of the qualified voters of the town of Gastonia; and that the registration books at the said town shall be open in the town hall in said town on the four Saturdays next preceding the 1st Monday in May, 1901, for the said new registration of the qualified voters of the said town.

Sec. 6. That J. A. Rhyne is hereby appointed registrar; and he shall register, on the four Saturdays next preceding the aforesaid election on the said 1st Monday in May, 1901, and in the manner provided by law, the names of all the qualified voters of the town of Gastonia who shall apply for registration on the said days.

Sec. 7. That notice of the said registration of voters residing in the town of Gastonia shall be given by publication in THE GASTONIA GAZETTE and by posting at three public places in Gastonia for thirty days preceding the opening of the registration books on the said fourth Saturday next preceding the first Monday in May 1901.

Sec. 8. That M. H. Shuford and Thomas H. White are hereby appointed judges or inspectors of election for the said election to be held on the first Monday in May, 1901.

Sec. 9. That the two judges or inspectors of election named in Section 8 of this ordinance together with the registrar named in Section 6 of the ordinance shall constitute the Board of elections for the said election to be held on the first Monday in May, 1901.

Sec. 10. That the said Board of Election shall certify to this Board the result of the election conducted by them under the authority of this ordinance.

WM. H. LEWIS, Mayor.
JNO. F. LOVE, Sec'y of Board of Aldermen.

Notice of Election and New Registration.

Notice is hereby given of an election to be held in the town of Gastonia, and of a new registration of the qualified voters of the said town as ordered and provided for in an ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen of the town of Gastonia on the 18th day of February, 1901, which ordinance is in the following words and figures, to-wit:

The Board of Aldermen of the town of Gastonia do ordain and declare:

SECTION 1. That it is the opinion of the Board that the welfare of the town of Gastonia requires the establishment of the system of water works and sewerage recently constructed in the said town.

SEC. 2. That an election shall be held in the Town Hall in Gastonia on the first Monday in May 1901, to ascertain the will of the people of the town of Gastonia as to issuing additional bonds of the said town in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars and bearing not more than six per cent interest per annum for the purpose of raising funds to pay off and discharge the balance of cost of establishing and providing the aforesaid system of waterworks and sewerage for the town (which balance of cost is now unpaid because of the insufficiency of funds heretofore raised by an issue of bonds to cover the cost of the said system of waterworks and sewerage,) and to ascertain the will of the people of the town of Gastonia as to levying a tax to pay the said additional bonds and interest on the same.

SEC. 3. That at the said election those duly registered and qualified voters of the town of Gastonia who shall favor the issuing of the said additional bonds and the levying of a tax to pay the principal of the said additional bonds and the interest on the same shall vote a ticket on which shall be the words "For Water Works," and those opposed to the issuing of the said bonds shall vote a ticket on which shall be the words "Against Water Works."

SEC. 4. That notice of the said election shall be given by publication in THE GASTONIA GAZETTE and by posting at three public places in the town of Gastonia for thirty days preceding the day of said election.

SEC. 5. That there shall be a new registration of the qualified voters of the town of Gastonia; and that the registration books of the town of Gastonia shall be open in the Town Hall on the four Saturdays next preceding the first Monday in May, 1901, for the said new registration of the qualified voters of the town.

SEC. 6. That J. A. Rhyne is hereby appointed registrar; and he shall register, on the said four Saturdays next preceding the aforesaid election on the first Monday in May, 1901, and in the manner provided by law, the names of all the qualified voters of the town of Gastonia who shall apply for registration on the said days.

SEC. 7. That notice of the said new registration of voters residing in the town of Gastonia shall be given by publication in THE GASTONIA GAZETTE and by posting at three public places in Gastonia for thirty days preceding the opening of the registration books on the said fourth Saturday next preceding the first Monday in May 1901.

SEC. 8. That M. H. Shuford and Thomas H. White are hereby appointed judges or inspectors of election for the said election to be held on the first Monday in May, 1901.

SEC. 9. That the two judges or inspectors of election named in Section 8 of this ordinance together with the registrar named in Section 6 of this ordinance shall constitute the Board of Elections for the said election to be held on the first Monday in May, 1901.

SEC. 10. That the said Board of Election shall certify to this Board the result of the election conducted by them under the authority of this ordinance.

WM. H. LEWIS, Mayor.
JNO. F. LOVE, Sec'y of Board of Aldermen.

NOTICE

Of Election of Mayor And Five Aldermen

Pursuant to an order of the Board of Aldermen of the town of Gastonia, made March 7th, 1901, notice is hereby given that there will be an election at the city hall, in said town, on the first Monday in May, 1901, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, and Board of Five Aldermen for said town; that J. A. Rhyne has been appointed Registrar for the said town, and M. H. Shuford and Thos. H. White have been duly appointed as Judges of Election; that a New Registration of the Voters of said town has been ordered by the Board of said Election; that the Registration Books of said Town will be open at the Jail (City Hall) for four (4) Saturdays next preceding said Election from 7 o'clock a. m., till 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of registering the names of those who are or may be qualified to vote in said election.

By Order of the Board of Aldermen.

WM. H. LEWIS, Mayor.

This the 7th day of March, 1901.

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NOTICE.

Having been granted letters of administration upon the estate of John W. Fields, lately deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said deceased to exhibit the same to me on or before the 21st day of January, 1902.

A. C. MANGUM,
Administrator of John W. Fields, deceased.
January 21st, 1901.

Notice of Election and New Registration.

Notice is hereby given of an election to be held in the town of Gastonia, and of a new registration of the qualified voters of the said town as ordered and provided for in an ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen of the town of Gastonia on the 18th day of February, 1901, which ordinance is in the following words and figures, to-wit:

The Board