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Injunction Dissolved

By Judge Lyon Thursday

The Davidsonian received a message from Lexington this morning (Thursday) stating that the injunction, restraining the Board of Aldermen of Thomasville from issuing \$75,000 in bonds for water works and sewerage, was dissolved by Judge Lyon when Court convened this morning.

Municipal Campaign Warming Up

A Mass Meeting Held Last Night And Another Will Be Held To-night—Lively Time Ahead.

From the present outlook Thomasville is going to have a warm campaign. It looks now like there will be two tickets in the field. The fact is, the fight is already on and both sides are lining up with gloves off. A mass meeting of citizens was held last night in the Opera House. This group was composed largely of citizens who are in sympathy with the present administration.

Talks were made by Mayor F. N. Tate of High Point, Rev. J. D. Newton, B. W. Parham and M. L. Keeler.

The present administration, composed of Mayor W. O. Burgin and Aldermen A. H. Ragan, F. E. Sigman, D. R. Connell, J. C. Green and C. C. Moore, were nominated for reelection.

To-night (Thursday) another mass meeting of citizens will be held in the Opera House. This meeting is called by citizens who oppose the action of the present board of Aldermen in regard to water works. We do not know who will be named to-night, but it is generally understood and inferred from the posters issued that a new set of officers will be nominated. At any rate, from all indications, it looks like a lively time is ahead for Monday.

Curry vs. Fleer

In the case of Curry vs. Fleer, which was tried in the Superior Court at Lexington Tuesday, the jury awarded to the plaintiff damages to the extent of \$500. Both sides seemed to be very well pleased and it is not thought that the case will go up on appeal. The plaintiff was represented by Phillips and Brown and McCrary and McCrary, while the defendant was represented by A. F. Sams and E. E. Raper.

Carmack's Tribute to the South.

One of the most beautiful tributes ever paid to the South was the utterance of the martyred Carmack of Tennessee while in the United States Senate, which is as follows: "The south is a land that has known sorrows; it is a land that has broken the ashen crust and moistened it with the tears; a land scarred and riven by the plowshare of war and billowed with the graves of her dead; but a land of legend, a land of song, a land of hallowed and heroic memories.

"To that and every drop of my blood, every fire of my being, every pulsation of my heart is consecrated forever.

"I was born of her womb; I was nurtured at her breast, and when my last hour shall come, I pray God that I may be pillowed upon her bosom and rocked to sleep within her encircling arms."

Large Delegation Goes to Lexington to Hear Injunction Argued.

Wednesday was the day set for the final hearing in the noted Thomasville Injunction proceeding, and the large crowd of people who went from here showed that both sides were intensely interested in the outcome of the hearing. Among those at the hearing in Lexington were: W. B. Hite, D. R. Connell, P. L. Ledford, L. W. Elliott, J. E. Wyche, N. L. Ritchie, B. F. W. Bryant, E. C. Lambeth, A. H. Ragan, J. R. Myers, F. E. Sigman, R. L. Lambeth, G. M. Hoover, H. L. Beck, E. N. Lambeth, J. A. Green, C. R. Lambeth, J. W. Lambeth, C. R. Thomas, P. C. Thomas, J. W. Frevo, M. L. Suggs, W. O. Burgin and Dr. C. A. Julian.

Stripling to Serve a Life Sentence.

Started on His Long Sentence Yesterday.

Atlanta, Ga., April 28.—With the assignment of Thomas Edgar Stripling to the State prison farm at Milledgeville Tuesday by Goodloe Yancey, secretary of the prison commission the last act of the famous case which has been like a dream closes and the former police chief of Danville begins his life sentence on Wednesday.

Captain J. M. Burke, superintendent of the state farm has been notified by the commission of its action and has been ordered to Columbus on Wednesday, when he will take Stripling from the Muscogee county jail and carry him to Milledgeville.

There remains but one thing to be done to free the former chief from the prison stripes, and that is carrying his petition for clemency to Governor Hoke Smith after he takes the oath of office. As to whether or not this will be done is not known yet, as attorneys for the condemned chief have given no intimation as to their next move.

Following Governor Brown's action in denying Stripling clemency, letters have come to the Georgian commending the executive's action and the governor has received many communications from all sections of the State commending him highly and thanking him for taking the course that he did.

Mrs. J. L. Armfield Entertains.

Mrs. J. L. Armfield most pleasantly entertained the Ladies Tuesday Afternoon Book Club on April 19, at her charming residence. The president presided and the roll call was answered with quotations from great American statesmen. After the usual business was heard a committee was appointed to arrange the programme for next year's work.

The Club will study the Bay View course on England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, as the same course on our own country will be finished soon.

Mrs. Julian led the lesson for the afternoon in quite an interesting manner and sketches by a number of the ladies on the most important subjects studied were very interesting.

The resignation of Mrs. Frank S. Lambeth and Miss Ella Lambeth was accepted with much sorrow by the club. New members will be elected in the near future to fill the vacancies caused by their resignation.

Mrs. R. L. Lambeth read the touching little poem the "Bene and the Gray" by M. E. P. Finch.

Mrs. James Griffith and Miss Ella Lambeth sang several pretty vocal selections and Miss Perry Griffith rendered an instrumental solo.

The guest were then invited into the beautiful dining room where many candles shed soft light on sparkling cut glass and elegant silver. The hostess was assisted by her sister Miss Griffith in serving a lovely Luncheon which was greatly enjoyed.

The home was artistically decorated in spring flowers and although the April showers fell incessantly ten members were present and the visitors were Mesdames Jones, Woods, Martin, Burnham, Chas. and James Griffith and Miss Perry Griffith.

"Central" Speaks.

Call me not with scornful numbers Like "two-seven-O-ring-three!" Snapped out in disdainful accents. Pray, be courteous to me! Would you like to sit here with a Telephone strapped on your head, All day long to answer summons? Wouldn't you wish that you were dead?

When I say the line is busy, Honestly, sometimes it is. Why do you get so indignant When you hear the buzzer's whizz? And wrong numbers—naturally Sometimes I am at loss; But, in fact, I give them mostly To subscribers who are cross. Be polite; it will not hurt you. Even though I'm in a box I am human, although hidden, And am sensitive to knocks. Be polite; do unto others As you'd have them do to you. It's a good rule to observe, and You'll get better service, too. —Exchange.

FELICITY

No labor truly done is mental in the sight of Heaven. He that fills honestly the place for which he is fitted is no man's inferior. I am as much to you as you are to me, whether I be a carrier of the hod and you a senator of the nation. We cannot all be Solomons or Shakespeares or Rockefeller's. Nor, for the sake of humanity, was it ever designed that we should be. The linnets does not cease its song because it lacks the wings of the eagle, nor does the ant work any the less contentedly because it cannot gather honey as the bee. In the mechanism of the cosmos there are no useless or unworthy parts. Each in its place is master.

"There is always room at the top!" exclaim the flippant philosophers of today, seeking to spur us on. It is a false incentive. 'Twas never intended that we should all be climbers. We are as near heaven at the foot of the mountain as at the summit, and the flowers are as sweet. And let us not forget that there is no summit, however lofty, that does not rest upon the great sea level. Whosoever, therefore, gains the mountain-top of material greatness owes it to those who stand beneath. An Edison, a Roosevelt, a Carnegie, a Mark Twain, is not some one apart; he is brother to us all. The world's big men are but the concrete expressions of our collective thoughts and energies. No fellow being is so far unrelated to us but that when he reaches the top so do you and I.

No man knows all things. There is not anyone, however wise he be, that may not learn something from you. Apelles took lessons of a cobbler. We are all necessary one to the other. In the final analysis there is no distinction; "all men are at last of a size." Do not, therefore, be disturbed by those evangelists of the strenuous life who slap you on the back, with the admonition to somebody! You are already somebody if you are filling faithfully your present job. It is man, not God, who ranks the rose above the dandelion.

You deceive none but yourself if you think to shirk the part assigned to you in the business of the universe. You cannot be what you are not. Therefore, know your limitations. Seek that which may be found. Infinitely more to be prized is contentment in overall than lack of peace adorned with ermine. Only he is master of his happiness who is honest with himself, who knows what work is his and who does it with singleness of mind and with all the strength and skill that God has given him.

Clifford Howard.

Tuberculosis Causes Ten Per Cent of Church Deaths.

National Association Reports High Death Rate From Consumption.

Statistics showing how serious a problem tuberculosis is to the ordinary church congregation were published to-day by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis in a bulletin on Tuberculosis Day.

From reports received from over 725 churches, with a membership of over 312,000 communicants of twenty denominations, and from 208 cities and towns in 12 states in various parts of the country, out of nearly 7000 deaths in 1910, over 700 or 10.4 per cent were caused by tuberculosis. This means 2.24 deaths for every thousand members or communicants.

While the percentage of deaths from tuberculosis as compared with other diseases is not higher in the churches, according to these figures, than in the country at large, the tuberculosis death rate, as shown by the church returns, is higher per thousand communicants than that for the general population in the Registration Area of the United States, which the Census Bureau gave as 1.67 in 1909.

"The National Association," the bulletin says, "does not, however, consider the statistics received from ministers comparable from the point of view of accuracy with those reported by the Bureau of the Census. A sufficient number of returns from a great variety of churches have been received, nevertheless, to indicate that one of the most serious social problems of the ordinary church has to consider, is that of the devastation of its membership by tuberculosis. The need for education from the pulpit and in the home is apparent. Every minister in the United States is asked to give this subject some attention during the next two weeks."

Accepts London Call.

Asheville, April 26.—The Rev. A. C. Dixon, pastor of Moody church, Chicago, and former pastor of the First Baptist church, this city, has accepted a call recently extended to him in London, Eng., to take the pulpit of the Metropolitan Tabernacle in that city. The board of Moody church accepted Mr. Dixon's resignation today, to become effective June 1.

The Rev. A. C. Dixon is a brother of Thomas Dixon, Jr., the North Carolina author and former Baptist minister.

Judge Biggs Charges Mecklenburg Grand Jury

And Urges Jurors to Probe the Recent Election in Charlotte.

Judge J. Crawford Biggs convened court in Charlotte Monday morning and in his charge to the Grand Jury he urged a rigid investigation of the recent municipal election in that city. Referring to the charges of corruption and bribery in the recent election at Charlotte, His Honor had the following to say:

"We live under a republican form of government, and the cornerstone upon which it is built is the ballot. If this be corrupt, our whole system of government is undermined. It, therefore should be the supreme concern of every honest and patriotic citizen to do what he can to see that the ballot is kept pure an uncorrupt and to lend every reasonable effort to the prevention of bribery and corruption at elections and to this end give his support and influence to any effort to punish those who violate the statutes enacted for the protection of the ballot.

"The conditions existing in your city at the recent municipal primary and elsewhere in the state demand a rigid and thorough investigation by the grand jury. If any credence is to be given current reports—I do not refer to irresponsible rumors, but both from the pulpit and the press of your city, charges of corruption and bribery affecting the integrity of your electorate must not be permitted to pass unnoticed and I charge you to make an exhaustive and searching examination of these charges of bribery and corruption and use of whiskey at your recent primary. Go to the bottom of the matter, gentlemen of the grand jury! Spare no time or expense to ferret out the guilty! The machinery of the law is at your command. The officers of this court will give you such aid and assistance as they can."

Possibilities of Youth

The pride of life looms large among the motives that determine aspirations. This is the golden season of opportunity. We should make much of it while it lasts. When old age creeps on and our youthful vigor becomes trophied it is too late to think of what we might have done.

It amounts to something to walk down the street and have people point you out as a man who has accomplished some great mission, whether it is to accumulate wealth or to crave a great name in the world of men and women.

The chosen youth gets what he goes after. The chance is open to all. The youth who thinks that he has only to idly wait and fate will thrust greatness upon him is sadly mistaken. He must work out his own salvation. The purse of fortune may smooth the way, but real work must be done by the boy himself if he expects to be successful.

Most of our great men have started life with but little before them. One of our presidents was a tailor and his old-fashioned shop still stands as a monument to him; another was a carpenter, another chopped wood for an existence. At the time none of them ever thought the day would come when they would occupy the presidential chair.

Fate sometimes makes it easier for some than for others, but fate is usually just in the distribution of her gifts.

Great men are made. They are not born to greatness. They come into this world with the possibilities of being celebrated.

Take advantage of youth while the chance lasts. It can never be renewed. The wonderful fountain of perpetual youth is myth. It has caused the death of more than one adventurer who sought to find it. There is but one youth to every life and it is all to brief. If the opportunity is not accepted in youth it can never be accepted at all.—Memphis Appeal.

Notice.

An election is hereby called for the election of a mayor and five Commissioners for the town of Thomasville to be held on the first Monday in May 1911.

W. O. BURGIN, Mayor.

Wallberg News.

The Commencement Exercises will take place May 23 and 24, 1911 in the school auditorium. The program is as follows:

Tuesday evening, May 23rd at 8 o'clock—Annual Concert.

Wednesday morning, May 24th at 10 o'clock—Debate. Query: Resolved that North Carolina should pass a compulsory school law. Messrs. W. S. Stone and J. H. Shepard of the Aristotelian Literary Society will support the affirmative side of the question. Messrs. B. N. Boyd and J. G. Neal of the Philotechnic Literary Society the negative.

Wednesday morning, May 24th at 11:30 o'clock—Annual Address by Mr. Gilbert T. Stephenson of Winston-Salem, N. C.

Wednesday afternoon, May 24th at 2:30 o'clock—Meeting of Board of Trustees.

At 3:30—Art Exhibit and Baseball game.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock—Declamation Contest.

In an unmatched game of ball Friday the Thomasville team was defeated by the Liberty Piedmont boys by a score of 7 to 3. It was apparent from the first that the visitors could not manage Underwood's twirls. The team is improving in every respect and expect to do some close playing the rest of the season.

Prof. and Mrs. Vann of Lexington are spending a few days with friends in the town.

The presentation of Pocahontas Friday Evening by the Dramatic Club was a splendid success. The scenery was very attractive and added to the vividness and forcibility of the play. The characters were well adapted and the costumes added very much to the reality. The entire play showed careful, persistent training. The programme was as follows:

Act 1
The Landing at Jamestown,
Act 2

Scene 1. The home of Ralph Percy.
Scene 2. The Arrival of Lord Carnal.

Scene 3. The Abduction of Mrs. Percy.

Trial and Acquittal of Ralph Percy.

Act 3

Scene 1. Pocahontas.

Scene 5. Court of Powhatan.

After the play the Club served refreshments in the dining hall.

Mr. Jno. Reich and Mr. Phillips of Winston-Salem were pleasant visitors in the town.

The catalogues will come from the press within the next week. Anyone desiring a copy should notify Principal K. R. Curtis.

Among the visitors of the town last week were Mr. Walter Curtis of Ahsokie, Miss Elva Wall of Thomasville, Messrs. G. G. and R. O. Wall of Wake Forest, and Miss Emily Boyd of Meredith College.

Misses Maude and Mat Wall, have returned from a short visit to Greensboro and High Point.

Rev. O. A. Keller has gone to Greensboro where he is holding a revival meeting.

"Some men are ardent church members, but their lives are evidences that they have entirely missed the real spirit of a Christian religion. Religion to them is a selfish instinct, and they practice none of the principles of the brotherhood of man and few of the teachings of Christ. Their hearts are free of the milk of human kindness, and they contribute little to the blessings and happiness of humanity. I have seen men high in the honors of the church too proud and self-centered to stoop to offer her a cup in the name of charity or to wipe a tear from the sorrowing eyes of a little child. I have little confidence in, and no respect for, a man whose religion is based on no border lines.

—Leaksville-Spray Gazette.

ONE CONDUCTOR HELPED BACK TO WORK.

Mr. Wilford Adams is his name, and he writes: "I was confined to my bed with chronic rheumatism and used two bottles of Foley's Kidney remedy with good effect. The third bottle put me on my feet and I resumed work as conductor on the Lexington, Ky. Street Railway. It will do all you claim in cases of rheumatism. It clears the blood of uric acid."