

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

As Recorded from January 1 to October 15.

Facts and Figures Taken from the Office of the Clerk of the Court--3,653 Deeds Entered with a Total Value of \$11,289,638. Averaging \$3,090.35 on each Deed--September's Remarkable Showing.

Ever since Roanoke began to grow in 1882 the real estate agent has been an important element here. Great as the business has been for several years, 1890 will lead all previous years.

The books in Clerk Brooke's office show that the transactions admitted to record from January 1 to, and including September 17, amount to the enormous sum of \$9,286,838. For this 3,173 deeds were made, the average consideration being \$2,961.50.

Four hundred and eighty deeds of bargain and sale were admitted in the office of the clerk of the Hustings Court from September 17th to October 15th inclusive, the property embraced in the transfers aggregating \$2,002,800, making the total \$11,289,638.

During the year 2,000 deeds of trust have been admitted to record, of which over 200 have been received at the office since the 1st of September. Eight men are employed in the clerk's office, and they are now about two months behind with the records.

Below is a condensed statement showing the number of deeds recorded each month, with the average consideration and the total amounts:

Table with 4 columns: No. Deeds, Av. value, Total. Rows for months from January to October 15, and a Totals row.

The largest sale for the year included in one deed, that has been recorded, was in January. It was one lot on the north side of Shenandoah avenue, the west side of Jefferson, and the south side of High street, and two lots on the north side of Shenandoah avenue and the south side of High street, for \$65,187.71.

The largest sale recorded in February was that of John Sexton to the Land-downe Improvement company of 125 acres for \$64,348.

From September 17 to October 15, more sales were made than during any other period of equal length in the city's history.

THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Inquires About Roanoke Applications for Membership.

Inquires about locations for the establishment of various industries are coming in thick and fast at the Commercial Club.

A gentleman representing the Homo Wagon Company of Courtland, N. Y., manufacturers of wagons, buggies, surreys and phaetons, was at the club yesterday inquiring about a location in Roanoke for the company's plant.

John Croll, of Middleton, Pa., was making inquiries about a place for the manufacture of burial caskets.

A letter was received yesterday from Mr. W. S. Stevens, a stone founder of Philadelphia, wanting a location for a stove manufacturing plant.

L. C. Royer, of Covington, Ohio, has written for information about a place for the manufacture of agricultural implements, either by a new company or a well established concern.

Secretary Helper has furnished these gentlemen with information about Roanoke that will open negotiations for these industries which will most likely result in their establishment here.

The Travelers' Insurance Company has presented the club with two handsome pictures that now adorn the walls of the secretary's office, one of the Confederate generals and the other of the Federal generals of the war.

Five applications for membership in the club were received yesterday.

The following names were registered: Curtis W. Woolford, Baltimore; Z. W. Pickrell, Richmond; John Croll, Middleton, Pa.; H. M. Linney, Roanoke.

A number of applications were received for general information about Roanoke, and copies of the pamphlet just issued were sent in reply. Besides these, about 350 other copies were mailed.

J. D. STUART, Formerly of Danville, N. Y.

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WM. F. WINCH, Sec'y and Treas. Room 1, Masonic Temple. A. L. GONLEY, President. S. P. GONLEY, Vice President. J. S. SIMMONS, Sec'y and Treas.

WEST END Brick and Tile Works,

Manufacturers of first-class Brick of all kinds, including No. 1 Press Brick, Draining Brick, &c. Works on West Campbell Street, Roanoke, Va. Box 913. apr1-6m

Virginia Green Building Stone.

This rare and valuable building stone is located immediately on the Norfolk and Western railroad, within one mile of Prospect depot, in the county of Prince Edward and State of Virginia.

It has been used in the neighborhood in which it is found for the past fifty years for building purposes, tombstones. It stands the test of time, looking as fresh, and lines as sharp and well defined as when first put up.

The color is a beautiful green and in certain lights has the appearance of burnished silver, or of being studded with diamonds, making a very attractive building. This is so rare as to make it highly valuable, and will be much sought after by those who wish to put up a handsome building for trimmings, mantels, inlaid work, &c. The proximity to the railroad makes the cost of transportation very low, costing to this place seven cents per hundred pounds, thereby placing it on the market in fair competition with other and cheaper grades of stone. It being soft, when first quarried, makes it easily worked, which cheapens it as compared to other stones. When exposed, it hardens quickly, and will stand the pressure of any required weight without crushing or flaking off.

The tract of land on which this stone is found contains two hundred and ninety (290) acres, and is a beautiful town site. Lots enough can be sold at low prices, and on easy terms, to pay for the property, and leave the quarries and sufficient land in the hands of the purchaser. In this event, and under a good management, we believe the purchaser will (if he desires it) have every dollar he has paid in paid back to him, and be absolute owner of a valuable "quarry" simply for the outlay of the money for a short period.

It is further believed that it will be adopted as the building stone of the country in the erection of all handsome buildings, trimmings, &c. It will be almost a monopoly, as it is the only stone of its kind in the South.

We have secured the whole boundary. It is more valuable than marble, yet much cheaper. It quarries and saws much easier than most stones.

Two experts, whom every one has confidence in, Mr. C. C. Wentworth and Mr. G. R. Henderson, have made a thorough test of it, and do not hesitate to state "it is of the highest value." The latter of these two gentlemen, who is assistant superintendent of the Roanoke Machine Works, has given his certificate that it will stand a pressure of 12,000 pounds to a square inch. This is fully equal to granite.

The following are the certificates of experts who have examined, worked and tested the stone. To-wit:

CERTIFICATE OF M. V. CORSE, Roanoke City. [Report of analysis of Ripidolite, sample furnished by Mr. J. W. Neal, Roanoke, Virginia, July 7, 1890.] Mineralogical name, Ripidolite. Composition: Silica, Alumina, Magnesia, Oxide of Iron, Water, Chromium (trace only). M. B. CORSE.

CERTIFICATE OF WM. D. ANGEL, Roanoke City. ROANOKE, Va., July 21st, 1890.

Having made a thorough examination of the Green Stone Quarry at Prospect Depot, on the N. & W. R. R., I hereby certify that it is my belief that the quarry is very extensive, and almost inexhaustible in stone, and by proper machinery believe it can be gotten out very economically and easily.

Given under my hand this day and year above written. WM. D. ANGEL.

CERTIFICATE OF CAPT. R. V. DAVIS, Prospect Depot. PROSPECT DEPOT, Va., July 16, 1890.

Having been requested by the "Virginia Green Stone Building Company" to give my opinion as to the quality of stone on the tract of land belonging to I. B. Fitzgerald and R. S. Paulet, at or near Prospect Depot, in the County of Prince Edward, and State of Virginia, I hereby state that I have worked and gotten out this stone for the past forty years or more, and therefore do not hesitate to state that, in my opinion it is in almost inexhaustible quantities, and is capable of easy working, handling, &c. Given under my hand this 16th day of July, 1890. R. V. DAVIS.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD. To-wit: I, J. B. Glenn, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Prince Edward, in the State of Virginia, do certify that R. V. Davis, whose name is signed to the writing above, bearing date the 16th day of July, 1890, has acknowledged the same before me in the County and State aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 15th day of July, 1890. J. B. GLENN, J. P. COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD. CERTIFICATE OF G. R. HENDERSON, Roanoke City. MR. NEAL: I have had 72,000 pounds on this piece of stone, or about 12,000 pounds per square inch. This is fully as high as tables give for granite and limestone. You see the stone has just commenced to crush. Yours &c., G. R. HENDERSON.

CERTIFICATE OF J. McD. ROBINSON, Roanoke City. To B. Lacey Hoge, Secretary and Treasury. DEAR SIR: I have just closed a two weeks' work on the Green Stone Quarry at or near Prospect Depot, Va., N. & W. R. R., and hereby certify that from the development made, that the quantity is abundant, and the quality equal to the testimonials attending this certificate. J. McD. ROBINSON.

For further information, address or call on B. LACEY HOGG, Secretary and Treasury, room 5, Moomaw Building, Jefferson street, Roanoke, Va., or J. W. Neal, J. R. Cunningham, Dr. H. V. Gray, Roanoke, Va., and W. B. Brightwell, Salem, Va.

Ladies Have Tried It. A number of my lady customers have tried "Mother's Friend," and would not be without for many times its cost. They recommend it to all who use it to become mothers. R. A. Davis, Druggist, Greenville, Ala. Sold by the Reg. Co., Atlanta, Ga. Sold by the Reg. Co., Sold by Budwell Christian & Co.,

The Machine Works Band will be in the grounds every day during the Rose Park race meeting.

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COUSSEL: ROY B. SMITH, Commonwealth's Attorney, Roanoke, Va.

THE PLAN OF THE COMPANY.

This Company is chartered under the laws of Virginia, and its object is to invest combined capital in Southwest Virginia, in the Shenandoah Valley, and other rapidly-developing sections of the State, embracing the growing towns of Roanoke, Radford, Salem, Danville, Lynchburg, Buchanan, Bedford City, Buena Vista, Glasgow, Waynesboro, Basie City, AND SUCH DISTRICTS AS AFFORD OPPORTUNITIES FOR SAFE INVESTMENTS AND QUICK RETURNS in town property, mineral lands, stocks, bonds, and other securities.

THE INVESTMENTS are to be judiciously made by a Committee of the officers selected for that purpose, thus securing to each stockholder the benefits of their combined judgment and discretion.

THE STOCK

is divided into shares of the par value of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH, BUT ASSESSABLE ONLY TO THE AMOUNT OF \$52.00 ON EACH SHARE, payable as follows--\$12.00 when stock is subscribed for, and \$10.00 each month thereafter until the whole \$52.00 is paid in. No more assessments will be called for. It is confidently believed that the stock will, by judicious investments, readily be worth \$100.00 per share inside of twelve months, and then rapidly rise to a handsome and ever-increasing premium. Of the \$52.00 paid in, \$2.00 will be applied to expenses of obtaining the charter, placing the stock and other preliminary expenses. So soon as \$100,000.00 is subscribed for, investments will be commenced and continued as further investments are paid in, thus keeping no idle funds, but putting every dollar into active investment and earning.

NOTE.

This company is formed to meet a growing necessity. The phenomenal development in Virginia presents unrivaled opportunities for safe investment and large and quick returns. Capital can nowhere earn surer or more speedy profits than here, whether in town property, mineral lands, stocks or securities. Large fortunes have been legitimately and quickly acquired by investments, both by individual effort and especially by combined capital. To those who have the time and means to come and see and invest for themselves, no field offers richer returns. But the visitor is embarrassed by the very multitude of opportunities offered him on every side in the many localities, and can, with difficulty, determine where it is best for him to place his money.

Again: Even those upon the grounds are often compelled to let slip rare opportunities daily presenting themselves, simply because of lack of sufficient individual means. It is frankly believed that this Company meets both of these embarrassments.

This Company Will Not Confine Its Operations to Any One Locality, but Will Seek Out the Best Wherever Presented in All the Places Named.

The investing Committee will give their personal inspection and judgment to all investments, both as to their locality and their nature, in all of which they will have a common pecuniary interest with all other stockholders. With the aggregated capital of the Company large and varied investments will be made that are denied to the smaller means of the individual. Every thinking man can see that no plan can offer more advantages to invest carefully and wisely than that of this company.

Real estate will be bought and sold; investments in stocks and securities will be made, as stated, wherever the best may be found, confining the scope of the company to no one locality. Rich opportunities have been and from similar organizations whose operations have been confined to one locality, confined to Roanoke, and vicinity.

Subscriptions now open at company's office, Exchange Building, Roanoke, Va. For particulars apply to D. C. GALLAHER, Sec'y and Treas.

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