

Port Tobacco Times

Friday Morning, December 23 1883.

A happy and prosperous New Year to all the patrons and friends of the Times.

Senator Pendleton, of Ohio, has gone to Columbus to look after his interests in connection with the senatorial election.

Among our reasonable promises of reform which we make to our patrons is one to have a little more careful reading in the columns of the Times.

The investigating committee found that the county commissioners had expended \$1,821.40 for the year 1882.

Governor elect McLane has announced that his inauguration must be quiet and free from glitter or ostentation.

Section 6 of article 22 of the revised Code relating to county commissioners provides positively that "They shall allow no claim against the county not properly chargeable to the same and to which the claimant shall not produce a legal voucher."

The railroads are getting their free passes ready for the members of the Legislature and are beginning to distribute them, probably as Christmas presents, in those places where they think they will do the most good.

It will be seen from a careful reading of the report of the investigating committee that all the "wild charges" the Times made in reference to the affairs of the commissioners have been fully substantiated.

A bill introduced into Congress and referred to the Committee on the Library, provides for the consolidation of the public gardens of Washington.

The Investigation and the Report.

We publish elsewhere the full text of the report of the investigating committee which recently undertook to make an examination of the books and papers of the county commissioners.

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The committee set out with the declaration that they have been deputed to investigate the books, accounts and expenditures of the county commissioners from the first day of July 1882 to the first day of July 1883.

As imperious, however, as their examination manifestly appears to have been, the report of the committee fully substantiates the charges which had been made by the Times.

The balance of \$1,332.51 from the jury loan report was carried to the contingent fund of 1882.

It must be admitted that this statement of the committee that the extraordinary sum of \$4,092.93 was expended for contingent purposes in one fiscal year is a very remarkable disclosure.

It will be seen, therefore from these facts that it will be incumbent on the members of the investigating committee, the clerk of the county commissioners, or some one else to supplement the report of our investigating committee by a statement showing

for what purposes the \$5,793.57, referred to by the committee, was expended, before the people can be expected to give any credit at all to the committee's report.

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Report of the Investigating Committee

The undersigned Committee selected from your honorable body, by the Court as your suggestion to investigate the books, accounts and expenditures of the County Commissioners of Charles County from the first day of July 1882 to the first day of July 1883.

The next step taken by your Committee, was to ascertain the amount in hand and level for 1882. Making in all the sum of \$1,332.51.

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Buggy Bargains. THIS IS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC THAT the undersigned have just received a lot of fine BUGGIES and CARRIAGES from one of the best Carriage Builders in the Country.

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