

STRICKEN IN THE PULPIT.

REV. MR. DAVIS PARALYZED AT CLOSE OF SERVICES.

Progress in Rearrangement of the Museum—Report of the August Weather—Two Cylindrical Cotton Presses for this State. Labor Day at the Capital—Raleigh to Vote Today on Question of Bond Issue. Cotton Coming in Rapidly.

Messenger Bureau, Park Hotel. Raleigh, N. C., September 6. At Franklinton yesterday morning, Rev. Mr. Davis, pastor of the M. E. church, was stricken with paralysis a moment after he had pronounced the benediction. He said when he began the sermon that he felt strangely. He can move a foot and arm but cannot speak. He is one armed and a war veteran.

Excellent progress is being made in the changes of the exhibits in the state museum. The natural history room, with the casts in paper of sea animals, will prove a great feature. With these Curator Brimley has had marked success and they are lifelike. He has also placed in special jars specimens of all the fruits, grapes and vegetables grown in the state. A new preservative fluid is used and this exhibit will be admirable. It is complete.

Only one county, Watauga, is as yet unheard from in the matter of report to the state board of tax equalization. The register of deeds today turned over to the county commissioners the tax books; earlier it is said than in sixteen years past.

The report of August weather at Raleigh shows that the highest temperature was 95, the lowest 61, the mean 77, or one degree above the average of eleven years past. Only 1.94 inches of rain fell, while the August average is 6.21 inches. The deficiency in rainfall during the year is 12.74 inches.

It is said that at two places, one of them General Matt Ransom's farm, the Besonetie or cylindrical bale, cotton ginning machine was made in the General Ransom gins his own cotton and raises over 2,000 bales. A gin owner says it will not pay to gin cotton on toll with the machine, because the charge by the owners of the patent is 20 cents a bale. What the farmers want is the sale of the Besonetie gins just as other gins are sold.

Ex-Judge Womack, one of the commissioners for the sale of the Cumcock coal mine property, says it will be sold October 8th.

Cotton is beginning to come in quite rapidly. A little old cotton is being sold, which has been hoarded for years. Labor day was observed here at the postoffice and revenue office and at the capitol, by the closing of doors, though there were clerks in the offices. The banks did not close. There was no parade or other observance. The state and national flags were displayed from the capitol. At Asheville there was a parade. It seems to have been the only place in the state where there was such observance.

The Engineering Journal gives Dr. T. D. Hoge, of this city, credit for having been the first to suggest the use of flat iron rails on roads and streets as a means of permitting wagons to carry heavy loads.

There is much interest in the vote here tomorrow on the issue of bonds. There is much talk pro and con and yet the chances are favorably equal.

William M. Kelly, of Rockingham, is appointed a United States commissioner by Judge Purnell.

Seven saw mills, in six of the north-eastern counties, report that they cut 40,000,000 feet of lumber in a year.

Messenger Bureau, Park Hotel. Raleigh, September 7. Democrats of high position in the party are saying very freely that they will have no fusion with populists; that what is wanted is a straight democratic fight, for white supremacy, and that Senator Butler ridicules this by speaking of it as the "nigger racket." Senator Butler fears this democratic keynote. So does Governor Russell.

More Mormons are arriving in the state. They are attempting to do much work in it.

Leaving out Watauga county, the report for which has not yet been received, the total valuation of property in the state, exclusive of telegraph, railway and steamboat property, is reported by the board of equalization to be \$322,996,243, against \$230,861,831 last year.

The state commissioner of agriculture returned today from the western part of the state. He was last in Folk and Henderson counties attending farmers' institutes. He found the grapes there, particularly the Niagara, in full bearing, and the largest and finest he had ever seen. The last institute will be held at Mocksville tomorrow and next day and will be the largest of all.

Governor Russell has been at Wilmington several days and will return tomorrow.

A convict, Jim Eaton, who a year ago escaped from the penitentiary, was captured Sunday at Sparta, and was brought back today. He was from Vance.

The barn at the farm of Dr. George W. Blackhall near here was burned last night. He says the loss is \$2,000, with no insurance.

Inspector General B. S. Royter and Major E. M. Hayes, U. S. A., go to Kingston as special guests of the Kingston naval reserves at a reception and ball. The band of the First Virginia regiment will furnish the music.

There is a requisition for convicts for the Halifax farm, where 1,400 acres of corn are ready for "fodder pulling."

Claude Dockery says that the drought is literally burning up the crops. The crops, particularly peas, cotton and late corn, are cut off greatly in some parts of the state. Mr. Dockery says cotton is being forced open so rapidly that it can all be picked out in three weeks.

The L. O. B. Branch camp of the confederate veterans here will be well represented at Winchester, Va., September 17th, at the laying of the corner stone of the monument to the North Carolina dead. Rev. Dr. Averitt, the orator of the day, will take a new line of thought. He will assert that this country has never been a republic.

Peace institute here has been re-located and repainted within and without and has an excellent prospect for attendance. A number of Virginia pupils always attend it.

Many students for the university are arriving their daily. Monday the term begins. Forty North Carolina editors expect to leave on the night of the 20th inst., for the Tennessee exposition. They will stop one day at Lookout mountain.

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

What the Commissioners did at Their Adjourned Meeting Yesterday—Dr. McMillan Elected Superintendent of Health Jurors Drawn for the Two Courts.

Pursuant to adjournment, at their meeting Monday afternoon, the board of commissioners of New Hanover county met yesterday at 2:30 p. m., all the members being present, viz.: Chairman F. W. Foster, and Commissioners Moore, Alexander, Dempsey and Nixon. The minutes of Monday's meeting were read and approved.

Sundry communications were read and disposed of.

The report of the county treasurer relative to the school fund was read and referred to the auditing committee.

The election of standard keeper was declared in order and John W. Perdew and C. E. Jevens were placed in nomination. Mr. Perdew received three votes and Mr. Jevens two, and the former was declared elected.

In accordance with the resolution adopted April 8th, Dr. W. D. McMillan was elected superintendent of health till May 1, 1918.

Chairman Foster made a statement as to the improvements it is desired to make at the city hospital, and stated that the cost of the improvements contemplated would be \$165. On motion, it was agreed that this board would appropriate three-fifths of the amount, if the city will appropriate the other two-fifths.

On account of physical disability, Robert Roderick was exempted from poll tax.

The following jurors were drawn for the next term of the superior court which convenes on Monday, September 27th inst.:

First Week—Isaac Bissell, W. S. Ellis, John B. King, Leo Bluetenthal, Alex Sampson, W. M. Cumming, George Sloan, G. W. Woodcock, J. Robert Canady, Mike Lloyd, James Bartley, W. G. Farmer, I. W. Davis, Eugene Philyaw, J. C. Hankins, Richard Jordan, John J. Forrest, Nathaniel Jacob.

Second Week—John McLaurin, D. C. Bradley, Joseph M. Jarrott, A. S. Winstead, G. W. Grimstead, Luther W. Whitley, Richard Merrick, Eli Southland, John H. Loftin, Caleb C. Halsey, R. A. Montgomery, DeCatur Sneed, G. W. Pressley, Matt J. Heyer, Richard Byrd, E. T. Sudan, James A. King, Owen Goodin.

The following jurors were drawn for the next term of the circuit criminal court which convenes Monday, October 13th: Altmore Walker, Thomas Rivera, Jr., Louis S. Belden, Henry Wentzensen, D. C. Council, Bristow Harris, Henry Rehder, Henry Turner, W. F. LeGwin, John Dahnhart, Jesse W. Hodges, J. L. Bowden, A. D. Brown, George Gordon, Virginius Hall, S. G. Hall, Gilbert Whitfield, John H. Brown, John Hintz, Vann Woodcock, James H. Merrick, T. J. Kennan, T. F. Riverbark, R. B. Burris, Wright Loftin, A. A. Brown, William D. Rhodes, John Wilkinson, Edgar W. Rodgers, T. L. Covington, J. M. Branch, James A. Walker, James A. Kerr, William Galoway, E. N. Edens, D. F. Klein.

The board adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

DROWNED AT MASONBORO

Two Brothers Drowned While in Bathing at Trask's Landing Yesterday Afternoon. The Accident the Result of Romping in the Water.

Mr. B. B. Trask, of Masonboro, arrived in the city by private conveyance last night about 9:30 o'clock to notify Coroner David Jacobs of a double drowning at Mr. D. W. Trask's landing, on Masonboro Sound, yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The persons who were drowned were two brothers, Alfred and Vann McDaniel, young colored men, aged respectively about 20 and 18 years.

Mr. Trask informed us that he and the two unfortunate young men went to the landing and went in swimming, and that he jumped from a spring board into the water and swam out into the channel. Alfred and Vann waded out and when in water about shoulder deep, they began to play. Alfred caught Vann and ducked him, holding his head under the water so long that Mr. Trask told Alfred to turn him loose, he would drown him. Vann caught his brother around the waist and they clinched. They were right on the edge of the channel which shelves off into water ten to twelve feet deep. In their struggles they got off into deep water, and Alfred called on Mr. Trask for help.

Trask swam within three yards of them and as they attempted to seize him, he feared they would drown him, too, and he swam back ashore. There was a boat at the landing, but there was no paddle in it, so Mr. Trask swam out pushing the boat to the drowning men. Meanwhile Alfred had disappeared and Mr. Trask got the boat within two yards of Vann, when he, too, went down. The boat was leaking and when Mr. Trask got into it to try to pull Vann in, it turned over, but did not sink. Finding that both men had disappeared, he took the boat ashore and gave the alarm.

Mr. Trask states that the brothers were on the best of terms and were only playing. Both of them could swim some, but were not good swimmers. They were both merry when they went into the water and began to play. The drowned men were sons of Henry and Julia McDaniel, two well known colored people who live on the sound. Vann worked in the city with Mr. W. R. French, on Ninth and Market streets, until Monday, when he went to the sound to work for Mr. G. W. Trask. Alfred worked on Mr. B. B. Trask's truck farm. Mr. Trask says they were both industrious and well behaved.

Men dragged for the bodies with a sein and the body of Alfred had been recovered when Mr. Trask left to come to the city. He says he had no doubt the body of Vann was also recovered shortly afterwards.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Proceedings of the Meeting Yesterday. Resolutions of Respect to the Memory of Mr. Alfred Martin—Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Again.

The meeting of the Chamber of Commerce adjourned over from last Thursday was held yesterday at 3:30 o'clock p. m. at the rooms of the chamber. In the absence of President James H. Charbon, Jr., First Vice President Walker Taylor presided. Colonel John L. Cantwell, the secretary, was at his post.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, after which committee reports were called for in their order.

The committee on streets, parks and public roads submitted the following written report:

To the Chamber of Commerce: The committee on streets, parks and public roads to whom was referred the matter of the condition of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, reports that it has carefully interviewed several of the largest patrons of the road and that the causeway is in as good condition as or better than it has been for years; that they have no complaint to make. The company has given out contracts for the amount of \$380 for repairs to the bridge over Brunswick river, and the repairs are now being made. A new 20 foot boat is being built for use over the link of the river at a cost of \$100 and will be ready about September 10th.

Respectfully, C. C. CHADBOURN, Chairman.

Mr. M. W. Jacoby moved that the report be amended so that the minutes will show that the improvements to the road and bridge were made under the matter had been referred to the committee. Chairman Taylor, who is president of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, asked for the wish of the meeting, and said if he would put it, although he was in a position to state that the improvements were arranged for before the matter was referred to the committee, the improvements were made since the matter had been referred to the committee, in order to show that no causeless complaint had been made of the condition of the road and bridge.

Mr. W. M. Cumming, secretary and treasurer of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, stated that the improvements were planned and begun before the matter was referred to the committee, though they had not been completed. There was some further discussion on the disputed point, and T. W. Clawson moved as a substitute for Mr. Jacoby's motion, that the report of the committee be approved, with the additional record upon the minutes, that at the time the condition of the road and bridge was referred to the committee, the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company had made arrangements to improve its road and bridge, and that the committee, in the course of the matter to the committee, the improvements mentioned in the report of the committee have been set on foot.

The substitute was adopted, and Colonel John L. Cantwell, chairman of the committee, appointed to draft resolutions touching the death of the lamented Mr. Alfred Martin, former president and honorary member of the Chamber, offered the following and the same was unanimously adopted:

"Death came to all! It came to the long expectant, patient watcher who welcomed the messenger sent to conduct the immortal soul back to the eternal God who gave it. For once to all men's eyes, a wrinkled brow, on mountain top in quiet valley, in busy mart, in forest shades, or gloomy cave; to infancy, childhood, manhood and old age, at dawn, at noon, or night; to call from joyous hopes, from dark despair or quiet life. Yes, once for all—the silver cord is loosed, the golden clasp is broken, the crown of the chair is parted, the happy circle broken, there is again a vacant chair. Relatives mourn and friends and neighbors offer tender condolences. Such thoughts spontaneously arise to us, his associates, when announcement was made of the death of our late ex-president and honorary member, Mr. Alfred Martin, a respectful, sincere and kindly sympathy in their affliction.

Resolved, That we commend to the youth of this community the amiable disposition, the faithful discharge of public trust; the unquestioned business faith, and the unfeigned piety of our lamented friend. Resolved, That a page in our record book be dedicated to his memory, and that an official copy of this minutes be forwarded to the family.

JNO. L. CANTWELL, JAS. H. CHADBOURN, GEO. HARRISS.

Mr. Wm. A. French recalled the matter of the proposed purchase of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company's franchise and property by New Hanover and Brunswick counties, and said he was sorry to see that the committee which had been appointed to look into this matter had reported that they were not inclined to purchase the property. He said the matter of getting in and out of Wilmington was a very serious drawback to our prosperity and that the purchase of the bridge and ferry for \$18,000 or more should not deter the purchase of the property of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company. He said that he favored its purchase by the city in order to make free use of it. There were good lands on the little bridge road and in Brunswick county, that were worth \$100 an acre, but which could be bought today for \$10 or \$12, because there is no advantageous communication with the city, so as to make their products profitable to the farmers. The lands on the little bridge road were cut off by a bridge sandy road which leads to Smith's creek bridge and farmers could not afford to bring truck to the city over such a road. He urged that the bridge should be pushed up on the matter of improving that road, as well as on the proposition to purchase the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company's property of Brunswick county, he said it would open up a market for a section that cannot afford at present to come to Wilmington, as the tolls at the ferry kept them away. It costs each cart \$150 to make a trip to the city from Brunswick, and the farmers could not afford to pay it. He urged that a free steam ferry would help the lands beyond the river, in Brunswick, and open them up for settlement and make a market for Brunswick county. He was satisfied that in five years time, the trade brought to Wilmington each year would be worth more money than it would take to buy the bridge, road and ferry.

Messrs. F. L. Huggins and B. F. Keith informed Mr. French that the city and county authorities were already at work on the little bridge road, and that soon it would be made a good road. Mr. Keith joined Mr. French in favoring the purchase of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company's property, and he believed it would pay the city to buy it.

Messrs. W. M. Cumming and M. W. Jacoby also favored the proposition, but Mr. Jacoby stated that the committee did not recommend the purchase because it would be impracticable if not impossible to purchase it under the act secured for that purpose at the last term of the general assembly. After further discussion, Mr. Cumming moved that a committee consisting of Messrs. W. A. French, F. L. Huggins and B. F. Keith be appointed to confer with the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, and to investigate the matter, and confer with the city authorities as to what power and right it had to purchase the property as proposed. The names of M. W. Jacoby and C. C. Chadbourn were added to the committee, and the motion was adopted.

Chairman Walker informed the Chamber that the president of this body had addressed a communication to the board

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of aldermen with reference to permitting frame buildings in the fire line, and stated that a reply had been prepared for the board of aldermen to the effect that they had taken steps to regulate the matter.

The Miners' Convention. Columbus, Ohio, September 8.—The inter-state miners' convention this evening adjourned until tomorrow without a vote on the question of accepting or rejecting the proposed settlement of the strike.

Mr. H. G. Smallbones called attention to the discrimination of freight rates on fertilizers against Wilmington in favor of Norfolk, stating that to certain points the rate from Pinner's Point (Norfolk) was \$3.20, while it was \$3.40 from Wilmington. On motion of Mr. Smallbones, this matter was referred to the transportation committee.

Mr. Smallbones asked what had become of the grain elevator committee. He said the shipment of grain at Norfolk was so great that it is being loaded into vessels by the coal chutes. Wilmington has a coal chute. The Chamber then adjourned.

Mr. A. M. Ramsey, of De Leon, Texas, was a sufferer from Catarrh in its worst form. Truly, his description of his sufferings seem little short of marvellous. Instead of seeking his couch, glad for the night's coming, he went to it with terror, realizing that another long, weary, wakeful night and a struggle to breathe was before him.

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