

OUT AT THE BACK DOOR

RUSSELL'S STEALTHY DEPARTURE FOR WASHINGTON

The Railway Commission to meet today. Excitement over reputation of County Bonds Increasing—Oxford Orphan Asylum Matters—Russell's Latest and Greatest Folly—Agricultural College Bursar Gets His Accounts Muddled—Great Slaughter of Partridges

At the executive office this morning when the question was asked, "Where is Governor Russell?" Private Secretary Alexander replied, "At Washington City. He left here yesterday with Superintendent Mewbourne, from the Johnston street station." The private secretary said he did not say yesterday that the governor had gone to the penitentiary farms, but that he had gone off with Mewbourne. His not leaving from the Union station was singular.

The railway commission is called to meet tomorrow. No one knows what may come up. Senator Butler's paper says today that the work of the new railway commissioners so far is preparatory to a reduction of passenger and freight rates. He makes a cut at Commissioner Abbott (anti-Russell republican), by saying two of the commissioners cannot be bought.

The Capital City re-elects Dr. James McKim president, Julian Timberlake is the new secretary. There are 109 members.

Rev. J. O. Guthrie, who was first sent to Fayetteville to be pastor of the Methodist church, but later was sent to Warrenton, has left for the latter place. Architects in this state can compete for the \$50,000 in prizes for the best designs for the buildings of the university of California. The secretary of state has the specifications.

Judge Timberlake has, as expected, granted an order restraining the collection of interest or principal of the Wilkes county bonds issued in aid of the North-western North Carolina railroad, until Judge Starbuck hears that matter. There must be a good deal of stir in Wilkes. It is said by an anti-Southern railway party that that system threatens to tear up the road between Elkin and North Wilkesboro in case the bonds are declared invalid. There are persons who say that that system threatens to tear up the road between Elkin and North Wilkesboro in case the bonds are declared invalid. There are persons who say that that system threatens to tear up the road between Elkin and North Wilkesboro in case the bonds are declared invalid.

The Wilkes people expect to get their matter settled against the road by the middle of March. There is talk of bringing suit to test the validity of the bonds issued by the Durham and Northern road, which the Seaboard Air Line owns. The public school committee of this city has been on an anti-cigarette crusade.

Senator Butler in his paper says editorially: "The only danger while such a man as Russell is governor and with such a non-partisan supreme court on the bench is from corruption federal courts and their injustices."

Much money is being done in this section. Farmers say they must put in cotton; that if they can only get 6 cents for it they can "make buckie and tongue meat."

Bill Morgan, a white man, aged 55 years, who has served two terms in the penitentiary here, is in jail again, for murder. He says he expects to be hanged, but fears lynching.

Speaker Ambrose Hileman, of the lower house, was married today at Cabarrus. He says he expects to be married here in the house of representatives, but did not come because he feared smallpox on the trains.

At Salisbury today Governor Russell's attorneys made their reply in the North Carolina railway lease matter. The children of Sonny Ryan, the wife murderer, who was hanged at Greensboro, will be sent to the orphan asylum at Oxford.

The Caucasian calls on the railway commission to regulate and reduce telephone rates and ridicules the attorney general for his opinion that the commission has no authority to regulate telephone rates.

A handsome set of North Carolina china will be made for the executive mansion. The fine kaolin from the state will be used.

The executive committee of the Oxford Orphan Asylum met at Durham last night. It found that the receipts last year were \$2,000, and that all were expended. Two hundred and eleven children were cared for, and arrangements are made to receive sixteen more. Steps were taken to build four cottages for girls, each to accommodate thirty. Four cottages for boys are completed and occupied. Arrangements were also made to put an editor in charge of the orphanage paper. The grand lodge of Masons meets at the orphanage next Tuesday, in annual convocation.

So far the promoters of the proposed state textile school have had over fifty letters from cotton mill owners, all of whom express their interest in the plan. The finance committee of the Agricultural and Mechanical college here has adjourned. It found the accounts of E. G. Butler, in a hazy state.

J. W. Hardin, the chairman, says Butler has made an error by mixing the accounts of the half dozen or more departments; that there is no shortage, but that there is only \$3.22 difference in the total of receipts and disbursements. Hardin says he will quickly find the error in the balance.

During December the mean temperature here was 44 degrees; exactly the average; the highest 68, the lowest 21; rainfall 2.56 inches, which is almost the average. Last year's deficiency in rainfall was 17 inches.

R. W. Minor is appointed by Judge Purnell United States commissioner at Washington, N. C.

A son of Dr. J. J. Mott, who has been an under officer at the penitentiary, but who was lately dropped, is now on guard at the railway commission office. Senator Sharpe, of Ireland, the new assistant clerk, was asked why guards were put on day and night. He replied, "I suppose because Major Wilson was here Monday, and because Otho Wilson came into the office. He came as a citizen. Major Wilson has not been here. He is not coming. He has too much sense. Of all the ridiculous things Governor Russell has done, this placing of guards at the railway commission office takes the lead."

The ground around the basement of the executive mansion is to be cut away, so as to ventilate and drain the basement, which it not now used.

It is asserted that the old railway commissioners will contend before the United States supreme court that the writ of error, or appeal to the United States supreme court, was granted before the order of the court was given the sheriff to place the new commissioners in possession.

Carthage, one of the prettiest places in the state, is to be a winter resort. The new hotel, built by a Nebraska man, is nearly completed.

The slaughter of partridges during the past three months has been great. The sales are large. Many birds are secretly shipped out of the state.

When a man is suffering with an aching head, a sluggish body, when his muscles are lax and lazy, his brain dull, and his stomach disdaining food, he will, if wise, heed these warnings and resort to the right remedy, before it is too late "Parker's Sarsaparilla" is the "King of Blood Purifiers" makes the appetite keen and hearty—invigorates the liver—purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements of the food. It is a wonderful blood maker and flesh builder. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Pentress.

COLDWELL WRATHY

Because Otho Wilson Says He and Pearson Broke Into the Commission's Office Like Thieves—Nothing Settled Regarding Reduction of Railway Rates.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., January 6.—Chairman Caldwell, of the railway commission, is furiously angry with Otho Wilson because the latter said in an interview that Caldwell and Pearson had broken into the railway commission's office like thieves. Caldwell says: "Wilson would not dare say that to my face." He and Pearson arrived at noon. They say that tomorrow they will only take up minor cases—complaints of overcharges.

Your correspondent this afternoon interviewed Chairman Caldwell, of the railway commission, regarding its purposes concerning reduction of freight and passenger rates. Caldwell said: "I have said nothing to Senator Butler about my plans. We may take up the rate question. I have no views yet as to it. Nothing is as yet contemplated regarding rate reduction. I don't know when it may turn up, if ever." When asked what he thought of Governor Russell's plan of guarding the railway commission office, he said he saw no earthly reason for it; that neither of the Wilsons were trying or would try to go in.

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Contempt Proceedings Against Caldwell and Pearson.

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Raleigh, N. C., January 6.—This evening there was a new move in the railway commission matter. Attorney Robert O. Burton served on Commissioners Caldwell and Pearson notice to appear January 17th before the federal supreme court, when a motion will be made to attach them for contempt of that court in violating its superseas and to compel them to restore J. W. Wilson and S. Otho Wilson to office of railway commissioners and also to restore to the Wilsons the rooms, books and papers of the office. The contention is that Caldwell and Pearson took forcible possession after the superseas was granted and in defiance of it.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says: "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds, and all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

Indictments Against the Southern for Giving Free Passes

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Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says: "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

HUNGRY FOR OFFICE

A Raid on Washington by North Carolina Republicans—Governor Russell Gone on to Help Charles A. Cook

Washington, D. C., January 6.—(Special.)—Among the arrivals here today was Governor D. L. Russell, of North Carolina, who comes on to use his influence towards securing the appointment of Charles A. Cook, of Warren, as United States district attorney of the eastern district of North Carolina.

Senator Pritchard and Geo. H. White, the colored congressman from the first district, are supporting Cook, but with all his strong backing, he will not get the appointment. Those on the inside say that ex-Congressman Jos. J. Martin, a prominent republican lawyer of Tarboro, will be appointed district attorney instead of Cook or any other aspirant.

The woods are full of aspirants for the position which Cook is after. They are Spier Whitaker, of Raleigh; T. M. Argo, of Raleigh; Claude Bernard, of Greenville, and Oscar Spears, of Harnett, while Wheeler Martin, of Tarboro, son of the man slated for the position, is spoken of in that connection. Congressman Skinner is for Bernard, but none of the several aspirants are in it with Joe Martin. All of the aspirants named and many of their friends are here.

Among the arrivals also is State Senator T. E. McCaskey, of Martin county, who is here to support Cook. McCaskey is the leader of the minority populists in North Carolina, who stood by their republican allies through thick and thin.

Dr. Abbott, of the North Carolina railroad commission, is also here. The fact is, it is hard to tell who is not here from North Carolina. A hotel man who inquired and was told how many inhabitants North Carolina has, was laughingly remarked that most of them were in Washington looking for an office or helping a friend to get one.

Colonel James E. Boyd, of Greensboro, assistant United States attorney general, is the acknowledged controller of North Carolina appointments. He is the Sir Oracle the office holders have to consult and ask for recognition.

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THE N. C. SOROSIS

Proceedings of the Meeting Yesterday—The Woman's Department of the Messenger to be Inaugurated Next Tuesday

The North Carolina Sorosis held its first regular meeting of the new year at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The new president, Mrs. Phil. Pearsall, presided, and the secretary, Miss Mabel Martin, was in attendance.

After the reading and confirmation of the minutes three new members were elected, and six applications for membership were received, to be acted on at the next meeting.

A pleasant incident of the meeting was the presentation by the society of a handsome morocco bound library edition, of Shakespeare's works, in several volumes, to Mrs. A. J. Howell, Jr., the retiring president of the society. The presentation speech was made by Mrs. R.

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THE COLONIAL DAMES

Third Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Colonial Dames Held in This City—Election of Officers for the Ensuing Term

The third annual meeting of the North Carolina Colonial Dames was held in this city Wednesday afternoon in the assembly room of the society.

The president, Mrs. Geo. W. Kidder, called the meeting to order and the reports of the treasurer and the secretaries were read and ordered filed, after which the president read her annual address.

The next business to come up before the meeting was an election of officers to serve during the ensuing term. Mrs. Geo. W. Kidder was unanimously elected president, and Mrs. Clayton Giles first vice-president and Mrs. John Wilder Atkinson second vice-president. The meeting then adjourned.

Yesterday afternoon the board of managers of the society met and, with Mrs. Kidder presiding, elected the following officers from among its members, viz:

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. William Calder. Registrar—Mrs. Caroline T. Meares. Treasurer—Mrs. Jane Cutler Lee. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Alfred M. Waddell.

Historian—Mrs. Emma Maffitt. After the transaction of other matters of business the meeting adjourned.

Three years ago Mrs. Geo. Wilson Kidder organized the Colonial Dames of North Carolina with a membership of fifteen, but so steady has been the increase that there are now enrolled over a hundred members. The object of the society is founded—patriotic, historical, social and literary. The society has reached the dignity of its own parlors, and now possesses a large spacious club room in the Seaboard Air Line building, most attractively and comfortably furnished. Here is held the regular monthly meetings of the club, and also affords a meeting place for the Reading Club, a literary feature of the society introduced more than a year ago. This organization in future will meet every other Tuesday afternoon and extracts from colonial history and original papers will be read, after which a simple but delightful repast will be served and then social reunions. Gentlemen will be invited, thereby increasing the pleasure of the evening.

The National Society of Colonial Dames is composed of the societies of the thirteen original states, and the society of each state after adopting the national constitution is permitted to elect its own president and other officers and send a delegation to Washington to the council which meets in that city biennially. The headquarters of the North Carolina society is in this city, but it has many members in other sections of the state. The society is not divided into chapters, but on the contrary it is one organization with a membership extending through the entire state and into many of the non-colonial states. The entrance to membership into the society is difficult, as no lady can apply for admission, but must be invited and have her name proposed by one of the members.

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