

The new courthouse appears to have given satisfactory service until the end of the century when the dilapidation of the building and the crowding due to the inevitable increase in business stimulated a move for a new building. An act authorizing the enlarging of the courthouse was passed at the 1904 session of the General Assembly.¹⁸ This act provided a maximum of \$25,000 for this purpose, apparently leaving the choice of enlargement or building anew to the discretion of the special commissioners appointed to oversee the work of the County. The choice was for enlargement.

¹⁸ Ch. 4.