

H. A. LONDON, Editor.

THE latest sensation, and that which has attracted the most attention in this State recently, is the appointment of a receiver for the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company...

The State of North Carolina owns two-thirds of the capital stock of this railroad company, her shares of stock being 12,000 and the private stockholders owning 3,334 shares...

Finch alleges in his complaint that the road is in a "deplorable condition" which is growing worse and that all its stockholders, other than the State, are desirous of leasing the road...

In answer to this allegation it is urged that the proposition of leasing heretofore made by Finch is unworthy of acceptance...

This action of Finch has not been approved thus far by any other stockholder, although he alleges that his only object is to protect the property of himself and other stockholders...

While we think this road should be leased, yet this lease only lease in appointing a receiver looks like a "put-up job" by Capt. McPhee...

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THERE has recently been published in the Charlotte Observer some reference to the most distinguished natives of Bladen county. One correspondent who is a prominent lawyer of Goldsboro mentioned "Gov. James Owen" as one of Bladen's most distinguished sons...

Gov. John Owen was one of this State's most prominent sons and was a most lovable gentleman. In 1810 he was within one vote of being elected to the United States Senate when he was defeated by Judge Wilkes B. Mangum...

If he had accepted he would have been President after Harrison's death, instead of the ruling Gov. Owen's third in line...

P. S. Since the above was put in type we have received in the mails the following copy of a communication from Mr. W. A. Adams...

It is with great regret by me as the responsible editor that I am compelled to publish the above communication...

In the United States should have a "Protestant" and "Catholic" Democracy because that is the nature of the people on that great continent...

And not only that, but there are Republicans in North Carolina who are the Democratic Party for the Republican Party...

The Japanese and Russians are apparently preparing to meet in large numbers for the Berlin and London Peace Conference...

The Japanese attempted a feat similar to that performed by Johnson at San Juan. They attempted to sink the Russian ship...

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Washington Letter.

Washington, Feb. 25, 1904. The District of Columbia is joyous and jubilant today. Congressmen Mettey, of Appropriations Committee, has reported to the House our appropriation bill, and it carries a total of \$10,191,477...

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Port Arthur Bombarded

London, March 1.—A dispatch to The Daily Telegraph from Yui Kow, dated Feb. 29, says: "Fifteen Japanese warships furiously bombarded Port Arthur from 10 until 12 this morning. The Russian cruisers Novik, Askold and Bayan, accompanied by four torpedo boats, steamed out to meet the attack...

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Duel to the Death.

Brainbridge, Ohio, Feb. 27.—Mencer Bages and John Hunter, both prominent merchants, fought an impromptu duel in the street this morning with pistols. Hunter died a few minutes after the shooting. Bages is in the hospital with a wound in the neck and another in the arm. He is seriously hurt.

There seems to have been an old quarrel between the two men. When they approached each other near the courthouse each pulled a pistol and the shooting began without preliminary. When both had exhausted the chambers of their pistols, they clinched in a death struggle and fell to the ground. Hunter died five minutes after they had been pulled apart.

Notice to Non-Resident.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT. In Superior Court, Chatham County, Ga., Feb. 25, 1904. D. S. Stewart and others vs. E. H. Southman and others.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon affidavit that title heretofore to a necessary part of the above entitled parcel of land, which is for the sale for partition of a tract of land in Chatham County, Georgia, consisting of about 421 acres and known as "The Grove," in which he has an interest, and is a non-resident of the State of North Carolina...

Family Struck by Train.

Marietta, Ga., Feb. 28.—J. W. Turner and his five-year-old son were killed, Mrs. Turner and a three-year-old son badly bruised and Mrs. Turner's foot was crushed by a train on the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway here last night and a year old baby received slight bruises. Mr. Turner and his family had just come from their home at Holly Springs, Ga., to visit relatives and were walking along the railroad track taking a short cut to their destination. Seeing a freight train approaching they stepped to one side to avoid it, and were struck by the train on which they had just come in, which was backing out of the yards. Mrs. Turner and her son are seriously injured and may die.

New Orleans, Feb. 29.—Rufus G. Coleman, a negro preacher of West Carroll Parish, convicted of the murder of his cousin, has been legally hanged at Floyd, this parish. Coleman confessed his guilt, but became very excited and violent as the time for the execution approached, cursing and swearing that he would not be hanged. The noose was adjusted only after a desperate struggle at the gallows and Coleman swung off hurling curses at the sheriff. The hanging was the first legal one ever held in West Carroll.

12 Lives Lost in a Fire.

Biberval, Quebec, Feb. 29.—Two lives were lost in a fire which destroyed the home of Thomas Guay, at St. Felicien today. When the fire first broke out, the house had been burnt to the ground. The fire broke out at 10:30 p. m. and spread rapidly. The firemen were unable to reach the house in time. The fire destroyed the house and the lives of two people. The fire was caused by a gas stove.

Advice to the Aged.

Age brings infirmities, such as sloping bowels, weak kidneys and bladder and TORPID LIVER. These ailments are cured by TOTT'S PILLS. They are adapted to old and young.

Receiver's Notice.

In pursuance of an order of the superior court of Chatham county notice is hereby given all creditors of the Bynum Milling and Mercantile Company to present their claims to the undersigned on or before the first day of next August, or they will be barred from participating in the distribution of the assets of the said corporation.

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