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STATE NOMENCLATURE.

Arkansas—The name is of Indian origin, but has no known meaning. In 1881 the legislature declared the pronunciation to be Ar-kan-saw.

Alabama—Takes its name from its principal river, and is supposed to mean "Here we rest," which words are the motto of the state. The name was first given to the river by the French in the form of "Alibamon," from the name of a Muscogee tribe that lived upon the banks.

California—This name as first applied, between 1525 and 1539, to a portion of Lower California, was derived from an old printed romance the one which Mr. Edward Everett Hale rediscovered in 1862, and from which he drew this now accepted conclusion.

Colorado—Past participle of the Spanish Colorar, to color. So called probably from its tinted peaks, or from the vegetation, rich in many colored flowers.

Connecticut—Takes its name from its principal river, an Indian word meaning "long river."

Delaware—Takes its name from the river and bay, named after Lord de la Warr, one of the early governors of Virginia and an ancestor of Lord Sackville West, late British minister at Washington.

Florida—This name was

given to a larger territory than the present State by Ponce de Leon in 1572, from the Spanish name of Easter Sunday, Pascua Florida, (flowery pasture) the day upon which it was discovered.

Georgia—Named as a colony in honor of George II.

Illinois—Derives its name from its principal river, which is named from the Indian tribe of the Illini, supposed to mean "superior men."

Indiana—From the word Indian.

Iowa—Named from its principal river; the meaning of the Indian word is variously stated to be "the beautiful land," "the sleepy ones," "this is the place."

Kansas—Named after the river; the word in the Indian tongue means "smoky water."

Kentucky—Derived from the Indian tongue, and is said to mean the "dark and bloody ground," alluding to the many battles of the Indian tribes.

Louisiana—Named after Louis XIV of France, 1664, by its discoverer, La Salle.

Maine—After a district in France.

Maryland—After Henrietta Maria, wife of Charles I.

Massachusetts—An Indian chief's name.

Michigan—Named after the lake; the word is Indian, and means "great lake."

Minnesota—Named from the river. In Indian the word means "sky-tinted water."

Mississippi—Indian, "father of waters."

Missouri—Named after the river, and meaning in Indian "muddy water."

Nebraska—This name is of Indian origin, and is supposed to mean "shallow water."

Nevada—Name is of Spanish origin, and means "snow covered."

New Hampshire—Named after Hampshire county in England.

New Jersey—Named after the Island of Jersey in the English Channel.

New York—In honor of the Duke of York, about 1664, afterwards King James II.

North Carolina and South Carolina—These two States are named after King Charles (Carolus) II.

Ohio—Named from the river. The word in Indian means "beautiful river."

Oregon—Of Spanish origin, means "wild thyme."

Pennsylvania—Named by William Penn, and means "the woody country of Penn."

Rhode Island—This State perhaps was named after the Rhoades family, one of whom, Zachary Rhoads, was commissioner for Providence in 1658.

Tennessee—In Indian it means "spoon shaped," and the State is named from the river.

Texas—How and when Texas received its name has been a subject of much controversy. Some assert that it is so called because the original inhabitants had roofs over their dwellings, which in the Spanish language are called tejates or texas.

Vermont—In the French it means "green mountain."

Virginia and West Virginia—Named in honor of Elizabeth, the "Virgin Queen."

Wisconsin—Named after the principal river, which in Indian is said to mean "wild rushing river."

PAST AND THE PRESENT.

Religious—Agricultural—Political & Local News.

SUGAR GROVE, Feb. 25.

February has been as fickle and changeable as a coquet. It has been mud, muddy, muddier, muddiest; snow, snowy, snowiest; cold, colder, coldest; winter, winter, old-fashioned winter.

This last half of the nineteenth century is a fast and progressive age, either for good or evil, which is it? Let us compare the present with the past, and note a few of the most important professions and occupations of industry which are most productive of human happiness or misery.

RELIGIOUS.

First, we will consider Religion, as it more nearly concerns us, inasmuch as it affects us in a two-fold sense—for time and eternity. Is the Church as pure and holy now as in the past? We fear not. It seems to us that there are too many isms, too many appendages attached to the Church and too much of the modern thought. Ah, in a word, the Church is too worldly. So many professed Church members seem to carry their religion in one hand and the world in the other.

Is the Church, in its faith, its doctrine and practice, as simple, pure, holy and apostolic as in the past? The echo gives a negative answer.

How is the ministry? In the past, simple, pure, evangelical, faithful ministers were inspired to cry, Woe is me if I preach not the gospel! We now have many able divines who preach the gospel in its simplicity and purity, while many, ah! too many, make merchandise of the gospel.

AGRICULTURAL.

Agriculture, in a temporal sense, is the foundation of human subsistence. It is time honored, for it is coeval with man's creation. Hence, its vital importance to man's existence. Yet, statesmen and politicians seem to regard it as of secondary, or of third or fourth grade in their legislation. If agriculture had as much protection as the manufacturing industry, its progress and success would rapidly develop a more healthy and prosperous system of farming, and we would not see so many of our farmers' sons leaving the farm for more profitable occupations.

POLITICAL.

In the days of Washington, Jefferson and Jackson, our government was administered in the interest of the whole people. Now it is administered in the interest of capitalists and monopolists, and now the corruption fund or campaign fund is enormous, and, no doubt, would greatly surprise honest people could they know how much money

is spent in presidential elections. Legislation has become a farce; a failure; from the fact that each House of Congress has a committee for every department of legislation, and every bill introduced must be referred to the proper committee to be passed on and reported back, favorably or unfavorably, if it escapes going into the pigeon holes, for discussion and adoption or rejection, and every important bill of needed legislation has so many amendments tacked on it that, if it is passed at all, it is only a bare skeleton of the original, and when passed in one house and sent to the other, it is rejected and a substitute offered in its place, to be rejected again. Hence, office and its emoluments is the great desideratum of too many politicians.

I wonder what Washington would say if he could be here in the flesh and witness a presidential election, with all its swindles and corruptions? What would Jefferson think, if he could be here and see the manner of our Solons' legislation? What would Old Hickory Jackson say if he was here to witness the decay or lack of patriotism. He would say, "By the Eternal! this government shall be administered in obedience to law and the constitution of our country. The machinery of our so-called government is so complicated, in all of its component departments, that designing, dishonest and corrupt demagogues may and do evade and corrupt honest and just legislation."

LOCAL ITEMS.

The far-away western fever is cooling down. Messrs. Fin Mast, Clark McBride and Richard Davis are now convalescent, as well as several others. Some of the fever stricken will go. Let me say that, in my opinion, it is not the country that makes the man, but rather the man that makes the country.

Our farmers are, comparatively speaking, doing very little farm work this winter.

Roughness for horses, cattle, sheep, &c., is getting scarce. The supply of wheat, corn, &c., is short, and the demand and the price are increasing and rising.

Messrs. John Grider and J. Monroe Herman have sold their farms to L. D. Herman and bought Mr. Cirt Harbins' farm. Harbins is going to W—T—.

Pink Edmiston & Brother have bought Bryant & Church's steam saw mill. They have set it down at Esquire Whitefield Farthing's.

An interesting meeting is going on at the Mouth of the North Fork of Cove Creek, conducted by the circuit rider, Mr. Henly, and Mr. Newton Combs. Hope much good may be done.

A very sad and horrible accident happened at J. Wiley Herman's, on the 26th day of January, while Wiley, his wife and daughter were at church his little boys were trying to cut down a lodged tree, by cutting it off as high as they could reach, when it

suddenly changed ends, the top veering backwards and falling upon one of the boys, aged nine years, killing him instantly. We may imagine, but cannot fully realize, the shock the parents experienced when the heart-rending news was announced to them. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family in their sudden bereavement. Such is life! In the midst of life we are in death.

I notice a correspondence in the DEMOCRAT from Horton that hit the nail on the head. Hit it again, Mr. Correspondent, and drive the nail home to the convincing of our farmers of the errors of our way and manner of farming and stockraising. Grass and stockraising is the secret of success in farming, in Watauga county, if properly managed. Your correspondent's suggestions and advice were to the point. R. V. W.

ABOUT A CERTAIN WHISKY SHOP.

Editor DEMOCRAT: Two miles below Zionville, at the mouth of North Fork of Cove Creek, within two hundred yards of a public school house, is a whisky shop—a real doggery. This shop has been set up by the authority of our County Commissioners, and is owned by a Wilkes county whisky man. Have our Commissioners forgotten that, four years ago last May, the citizens of Cove Creek township voted on this question, and that 83 of the voters at the ballot box said *No License* and 42 said *License*?

Have our County Commissioners authority to override or set aside a law of the State in order to accommodate a whisky seller? Do our Commissioners fear a whisky seller more than they do the laws of the State of North Carolina? The good people of that section petitioned the Commissioners not to grant license to sell whisky to a man who evidently cares nothing for the good or peace of our county, just so he can get their money for his poison. But those lordly Commissioners said, by their action, that *you shall have it whether you want it or not!* I reckon the whisky seller has a *good moral character!* All whisky sellers have! Why do we not have a law for a man to prove a good moral character before he goes to stealing? The whisky seller steals the peace, prosperity and every thing that is good, from a people, and gives them poverty, theft, murder and *hell* in the end. Surely, if men have a thimblefull of brains and a conscience, they could not believe that a man who engages in the deathly business of selling whisky is a good, moral man.

I ask, what are the people of our county going to do? Must they meekly submit to such insults? The people of Cove Creek township pay their taxes to compensate our Commissioners to thrust this curse upon them, and now ministers of the gospel fear to hold religious services in the neighborhood of the grocery, on account of the apprehended disturbances of drunker men.

As nine-tenths of the criminal cases in our courts are caused by whisky we will have a good crop of crimes from Cove Creek township during the next year. Already our lawyers will have something to do at our next court.

I wish to ask, Is Boone ready for a saloon? If men in authority can ride over the local-option law in this county and the wishes of the best citizens they can ride over corporation laws, and plant a grocery wherever a Wilkes county whisky man wants to sell. I reckon that there are plenty of them in Wilkes. I wish they would stay at home and keep their poison with them.

I will say more when I come again. Yours against whisky sellers, aiders and abettors.

JERU.
Zionville, Feb. 25.

He Didn't want a Partnership.

"You have been a very faithful employee," said the editor and proprietor of Wayback Herald, to his assistant; "and now I propose to reward your fidelity by giving you a share in the business—by admitting you to partnership." "O don't I beg of you!" replied the assistant, in dismay. "Remember that I have a family to support! Reduce my wages to seven dollars a week, if necessary, but don't make me a partner. You won't do it will you?"

North Carolina: In the Superior Court (Watauga County) prior Court. Emma Johnson) Suit for Divorce.

J. R. Johnson)

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the above named Defendant is a Non-Resident of this State; and that personal service of summons cannot after due diligence be made upon him; and that the plaintiff has a good cause of acting for a divorce absolute against him. It is therefore ordered by the Court that service of Summons be made upon him, by publishing this notice in the Watauga DEMOCRAT, a weekly newspaper published in Boone, N. C., for 6 successive weeks, and the defendant will take notice, if he fails to appear at Spring term 1889, of Watauga Superior Court, and answer or demur to the complaint which will be filed in said action during the 3 first days of said term, the plaintiff will demand thereof then asked. Joe B. Tood C. S. C. This the 28 Jan. 1889.

W. B. Council Jr. Plt's Atty.

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