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NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administratrix of L. L. Greene, deceased, late of Watauga county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned within twelve months from the date of this notice or it will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. Dec. 15, 98.

MATTIE J. GREENE, Adm'x.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of Pinky Underwood deceased, all persons having claims against his estate are notified to present the same duly authenticated within 12 months from the date of this notice, or it will be plead in bar of their recovery. This Jan. 2, 1899.

C. J. COTTRELL, Adm'r.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Anti-Imperialistic sentiment will have full swing in the Senate this week, as nearly every Senator who opposes and who has not already spoken against imperialism, has given notice of intention to speak. The treaty of Peace will be voted upon Feb. 6th, and the chances favor its ratification, because nothing would be gained by rejecting it. A motion to reconsider would be made by one of its friends, and it would require a majority to table it. That majority its opponents have not. So, if it were rejected Feb. 6th, all Mr. McKinley would have to do would be to call an extra session of the Senate, in March, when it would be promptly ratified.

Within the last week, Mr. McKinley has been personally harshly criticised in both House and Senate, and in each body one of his critics was a republican. In the House, Representatives Jerry Simpson, and Johnson, of Ind., jumped on him for bowing to the public opinion, right or wrong; and in the Senate, Senators Gorman and Hoar gave him fits for declining to furnish the Senate with copies of the instructions given to the Peace Commissioners.

Senator Gorman has never posed as an alarmist, but he never fears to speak the truth because it may be alarming. Just before the Senate passed the regular pension appropriation bill, which carries \$145,000,000, Mr. Gorman made a speech, calling attention to the fact that although it was estimated that the war with Spain would add 50,000 names to the pension roll, unless our troops were recalled from the tropics before the sickly season, no provision, whatever, had been made in the bill for the increase. Mr. Gorman concluded with this significant prediction: "Within three years from this date, the pension roll will amount to \$165,000,000. If you add to that, the cost of maintaining your army (one thousand dollars a man), the American republic will in the year 1900, expend more for its army and pensioners than any other nation on the face of the earth. That is a fact, which the American people will have to face, and they ought to know now, in advance, what is coming to them, if the schemes and projects which are being forced upon us are carried out."

The attempt of the republicans to get democratic support for the Hull bill, which will be voted upon tomorrow, by amending it so as to make any increase of the regular army above 50,000, discretionary with the President, was not a success. It made no real change. The democrats proved by their votes for the first appropriation that they were not afraid to trust the President, but that did not change the principle

of the party against the concentration of authority in the hands of one man. Such concentration does no harm as long as the right man exercises the authority, but who can say when the wrong man will come along? The change was not made for effect in the House, where partnership will put the bill through, but in the Senate, where its fate will be very much in doubt, unless the support of Senators, who are now inclined to oppose it can be secured. The subterfuge was so palpable that Representative Loud, of Cal., a republican, made a hot speech against it, plainly telling his party associates that they could not hope to catch suckers with such a bare hook.

Gen. Miles is still piling up evidence, official and unofficial, that the beef furnished our soldiers in Cuba and Porto Rico, was unfit to eat. He has already about convinced everybody, except the members of the administration, and of the War Investigating Commission, that his charge was true, but they seem determined to stick to it that the beef was good.

Secretary Alger put another slight upon Gen. Miles in connection with the finding of the Eagan court-martial. The army regulations provide that the finding of a court-martial shall be forwarded to the Secretary of War through the commanding general of the army, but Alger instructed the Judge Advocate to ignore Miles and hand the finding to him directly, and it was done. While nobody outside the Court and officials can swear what the verdict was, everybody is certain that it was guilty, and that the sentence was dismissal from the army. In handling this verdict, Mr. McKinley would better be careful or he will sign his own political death warrant; the people have decided that Eagan should be punished, and if Mr. McKinley exercises his authority to shield him, he will find that he may have the punishment to bear himself.

Senator Butler, in presenting a resolution of the North Carolina legislature for the election of Senators, by vote of the people, called attention to this being the twenty fourth legislature to adopt such a resolution, and said that a constitutional amendment ought to be at once adopted, citing the several existing deadlocks and scandals in legislatures as an argument in its favor.

Monroe Journal: Another eminent physician has come to the front. He says that appendicitis, the dreaded disease that so often occurs now, is produced by the habit men have of sitting cross-legged. This he says restricts the action of the digestive apparatus, and especially the lower intestine, causing stagnation and the stretching of the opening of the appendix. As proof he cites the fact that women seldom have the disease.

OBITUARY.

The subject of this sketch was born in 1823 in Cock county, Tenn., and was married to J. Calton Coffey in the year 1846. She professed faith in Christ at the early age of 16; joined the Baptist church and was baptized in the limpid waters of Pigeon river, and lived a consistent christian life for 60 long years. She was the mother of 3 sons and 4 daughters, all of whom are married and have large families. She was the mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother of about 82 children. Aunt Nancy, as we called her, was stricken with paralysis on Jan. 8th, 1899, and died Jan. 14th, 1899, at 11:10 a. m. She bore up under the strong grasp of the fatal disease without a murmuring word. About four weeks before her death she conversed freely with her friends and her aged husband upon the subject of religion, telling them that her stay here was to be short, but assuring them that she was ready and willing to depart. She told her many friends that she was going home to glory, where sickness and death and pain are not known, where Christ with His own soft hand would wipe all tears away.

Thus another fireside is made lonely by the rude hand of death, another seat is vacant in the church house. Sons and daughters can no more meet mother here on earth, no more will they bask in her smiles; no mother to speak words of comfort, no mother to fan the fever, heat ed brow; she has crossed the river. A word to the aged husband and weeping friends: cast all your troubles on Him who is able and willing to bear them all for us, for He has said in His word, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Blessed thought that we have a friend that will help us to bear our sorrows and burdens.

WM. ELROD.

A Useful Invention.

Mr. J. B. Horton, formerly of this county, but now of North Wilkesboro, has invented and patented a Station and Warehouse Truck, that is said to be a great success, and one that is calculated to bring in quite a lot of revenue to the inventor. The Raleigh Post of recent date had a lengthy article (illustrated) on the many uses and advantages of the Truck, showing its very great superiority over any that has ever yet been brought to use. The Post says in part: "It is a great time and labor saver for which the entire business world is seeking." The truck is for use in depots, stores, and other business houses where heavy boxes and barrels are to be handled. It is said that a boy 11 years old can load a sugar barrel weighing 355 pounds with this new invention. Mr. Horton is to be congratulated on his inventive talent, and we hope that his sales may reach fully up to his expectations.

Henderson Gold Leaf: Let us have the tax receipt requisite as one of the qualifications to voting by all means. It is a righteous and a just law and would vastly increase the revenues.

Letter from Taylorsville, N. C.

Editor Democrat.

Thinking a few lines from this place would be of some interest, I will endeavor to give a few items.

The weather has been very disagreeable here since Christmas and the roads are in a very bad condition.

Court has been in session this week. It was attended very largely on Monday and Tuesday, and the usual crowd of horse traders were here.

The school is making great progress at this place. There are about 225 enrolled at present, and the number increases almost every day. The classes are all arranged now, and the students are all at work. Prof. White, the President of the College, is an energetic man, and works for the interest of his school. Girls and boys who want to get an education would do well to attend this school.

Taylorsville is situated on one of the spurs of the Brushy mountains. On a clear day you can see the Grandfather mountain from several places in town.

There are five churches, Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Associate Reform and Lutheran. The moral influence of the town is unsurpassed.

The health of the community is especially good and nature has endowed this place with everything conducive to the health and happiness of mankind.

P. E. HERMAN.

Our law makers are a work pretty hard in Raleigh. A good deal of time is consumed in discussing the establishment of dispensaries in various parts of the State and the sentiment seems right much divided as the visibility of chartering these establishments. A great many bills are being introduced daily and laws are amended and repealed, and if this thing keeps on it will be "agin" the law for a man to kiss his own wife after the Legislature adjourns.—Lenoir News.

Asheville Citizen: Collector Harkins received a letter from an aspirant to the office of deputy collector, which created considerable amusement. The writer notified the collector that a certain deputy on the force was ill and that there was a probability of his dying. In view of this probability he offered himself as ready to take the sick man's position when death created the vacancy.

A SUBSTITUTE for gold is now being made which contains 94 parts copper to six parts antimony. When the antimony is added to the melted copper a small amount of magnesium and carbonate of lime are also added to make the alloy more dense. It can be wrought and polished to look very much like gold at a cost of 24 cents a pound.

WILMINGTON is soon to have a large silk factory. It will be established by Ashley and Bailey of New Jersey.

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Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, God in his providence has taken from our Sunday school, our little friend and member, Lydia Fletcher, who departed this life and crossed the stormy River of Death Jan. 15, 1899, aged 14 years Therefore be it

Resolved, That while we humbly bow to the Divine will of our Heavenly Father, who knows all things, and who does everything for the best, it was with great sorrow that we as a Sunday school gave her up.

Resolved second, That we offer our tender sympathy to the sorrowing family and we trust that little Lydia will be a guiding star to lead them and each one of us to a home of the Saints in Glory.

Resolved 3rd, That wounds are inflicted on our memory when we look about us and see the vacant seat once occupied by our little friend and student.

Resolved 4th, That a copy of this be given the bereaved parents, also a copy be reserved in our school as a monument of recollection; also that a copy be sent the North Carolina Advocate and WATAUGA DEMOCRAT with request to publish same.

N. L. MAST,
ADDIE MAST,
J. B. HORTON,
MAGGIE COMBS,
MAGGIE HORTON,
Committee.

Editor Robinson, of the Daily Durnam Sun, whom Prof. Britton, of Wilson, is suing for \$5,000 damages on a charge of malicious libel has been placed under a \$5,000 bond for his appearance at Wilson court, where the case is to be tried. It is thought that this will be one of the most interesting newspaper cases ever tried in North Carolina.

President McKinley falls back on his favorite plan of a commission to unload the Philippine problem and its varied bungles and blunders and divest the responsibility for what was the President's line of action. The commission is intended, no doubt, to stop congressional debate, which the court circle is beginning to call treasonable, but it won't.—Pittsburg Post.

Miss Sallie W. Stockard, of Alamance county, is a candidate for the position of State Librarian. Miss Stockard is a graduate of Guilford College, and has the honor of being the first lady to graduate as A. B. in our State University. It seems to us that the position of Librarian could be filled nicely by a lady, and if this one should get the position it would only be right.

Bob Johnston, of Alexander county, attempted to commit suicide Tuesday by shooting himself. Dr. A. Campbell extracted the ball, which lodged near the shoulder blade. Johnston is in poor health and for some time, it is said, had threatened to take his life.—Ex.

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