

Watauga Democrat.

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The contest for the United States Senatorship in North Carolina grows more interesting as the days go by. Gen. Carr has withdrawn from the contest, and it seems that in his withdrawal the Hon. C. B. Watson is the gainer. Watson, Overman, Craig and Alexander remain in the field, and the friends of each seem absolutely unswerving in their loyalty. At the caucus on last Saturday night the vote stood as follows:
Overman..... 55.
Watson..... 48.
Craig..... 28.
Alexander..... 5.
This is the latest we can get before going to press, as the caucus of Saturday adjourned to meet again on Tuesday evening of this week, and we have had no later news. It seems that a dead lock is inevitable.

We think that the saddest and most unnatural crimes ever committed in the annals of Watauga or any other county, are the two boys who are charged with the murder of their fathers within our county during the past year. Murder, in cold blood, is so fearful among fellow-mortals but how one can get himself wrought up to the state of mind to kill his own father is beyond human comprehension. There must be something diabolical, unnatural and hell born in the make up of such an one. Boone Potter, the first father-slayer, was acquitted of the crime, but is now a fugitive from justice for the killing of young Howell, while Roby Warren, the boy imprisoned here for the crime of patricide, has a dark future before him. We are told that the evidence against him is most damaging, and that his chances to escape capital punishment, are most meager.

The Emergency liquor bill introduced in the Legislature of North Carolina by Representative Michael, of Watauga, to remove the liquor traffic from Shawneehaw township, this county, passed the Lower House by a vote of 92 to 5. The bill we presume has passed the Senate here this, and after its ratification the saloon must go and go at once. So far so good, and we trust that this great tidal wave against intemperance that is now sweeping over North Carolina may increase in volume and magnitude until the last door of the last saloon within our borders may be closed, forever.

The famous Wilcox Cropsy trial is again nearing its close at Hertford, N. C. The evidence is all in, the attorneys have finished their pleadings and Judge Council gave the case to the jury on Tuesday. There is much speculation as to the result, but it is generally believed that a miss trial will be the terminus. There seems to be no doubt in the public mind as to the guilt of Wilcox, but it seems that the State has failed to prove it. Six Quakers and one negro are on the jury.

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Lieut. L. C. Richardson our ensign who went out on the Abernethy, and practically lived on a ship for three years, was in Raleigh a few days ago. Remarkably handsome and fine looking. A Samoan princess fell in love with him and offered to marry him and he got out of it, by telling her that he was working under the orders of the great white chief, the President of the United States and he could not marry her without his consent, and besides, if he were to marry her and bring her here, she would freeze to death.

The message of Gov. Chas. B. Aycock to the Legislature of North Carolina is said by the press at large to be the strongest paper ever offered to a legislative body in the State. It is full in every respect, dealing in a masterly way with all the living issues pertaining to state affairs. It would be well if every person in North Carolina could see and read this great message by Carolina's greatest Governor.

Petitions are now being circulated asking the Legislature of North Carolina for an appropriation for the erection of Reformatory for the youthful criminals of our State. This is, in our humble opinion, one of our most crying needs, and it is hoped that the appeals of the people from the mountains to the sea may be heeded by our law-makers, and that imprisonment of children with hardened criminals may never again be known in the Old North State.

January, 1903, has certainly showed itself in true colors this time. Rain, snow, mud and cold have followed in her train. But as a little baby girl says each day: "One snow less for this winter and summer will soon be here."

The fire at Montreat on last Saturday is much to be deplored. The Orphanage was entirely destroyed. The children escaped unhurt. The loss was considerable.

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No Local Legislation Should Be Enacted.

News and Observer.
In different parts of the State there are on foot influences to secure local legislation regulating, restraining or prohibiting the sale of liquor. Some wish prohibition some wish dispensaries, some wish to put the burden of obtaining license upon the applicant. We speak now solely of local legislation that is being asked for by different counties.

It is to be hoped that, except in a case of the highest emergency like the Watauga matter, the General Assembly will postpone the consideration of all antiliquor or pro liquor legislation until the pending general acts are considered and disposed of. For several years much time of the Legislature has been taken up in the consideration of local prohibition legislation. Before the elimination of the negro vote this was necessary, but now that the white people are everywhere in control, such legislation ought not to take up the time of the general Assembly. A general law that will meet the approval of a majority of the members with reference to liquor legislation ought to be adopted. It ought to apply to every county alike, be uniform in its provisions, and leave to the people of every town and city the question whether they will sell liquor at all, and if so to whom and how. But the law ought to apply to the whole State alike. At any rate local legislation ought to be postponed until general legislation is enacted.

A Good Suggestion.

Lenoir News.
We note that the State Treasury is in debt to the tune of something over \$300,000 and that a bond issue is spoken of as the best means of "filling up the hole."

Now a reasonable dog tax, such as is suggested by a South Carolina contemporary, say of \$1.00 per head on every dog in the State that is worth keeping, would go a long way towards raising this indebtedness, and at the same time would do away with a great many sheep destroyers.

Any dog that is not worth a dollar tax on his head is not worth keeping, and the law should provide for a collar and tag to be furnished every tax paid dog and require the sheriff and his deputies to take up and sell or kill all dogs that are not tax paid.

We are under the impression that there is already some kind of a dog tax law in this State, there certainly is in some towns, but the matter should be a State law, and when a State tax is paid on a dog then he should be exempt from county or municipal tax.

There is no just reason why a man should pay taxes on his sheep, hogs, horses and cattle, and not pay any on his dog.

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On the 15th inst. at Columbia, S. C., Editor Gonzales was shot through the body by Lieut. Goy. J. H. Tillman. The wound is thought to be fatal. The tragedy is only the ending of a little feud of long standing and grew out of their differences in politics. Tillman was placed in jail, and the feeling against him is bitter and strong. The wounded man was taken to the hospital for treatment. The bullet passed entirely through the body and it is thought impossible for him to live.

The man who tries to do business without advertising is like the man who rides backwards—he never sees a thing until it has gone by him.

NOTICE OF SALE,

Whereas, Jane Miller and Edmund B. Miller did on the 5th day of August, 1892, execute and deliver to Albert R. Shattuck, trustee, a trust deed on certain lands in Watauga county, State of N. C., therein described to secure the sum of \$1,300.00 due by said Jane Miller and Edmund B. Miller to the British and American Mortgage Company, Limited, which said trust deed is recorded in Watauga county in Deed Book 6 at page 577 to which reference is here by made; and whereby default has been made in the payment of the moneys secured by said trust deed, and the said trustee has been duly requested to execute the trust therein contained.

Now therefore notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power contained in said trust deed, I, the undersigned trustee, on the second day of February, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3, p. m., at the court house door in the town of Boone in Watauga county North Carolina, will, by public auction, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, viz:

Four hundred and forty-three (443) acres in three (3) tracts. First tract: Two hundred and seventy-five 275 acres in Meat Camp Township bounded on the north by the lands of C. Moretz and Mrs. Hauck, on the east by the lands of T. S. Walls, on the south by the lands of J. H. Taylor and on the west by the lands of J. E. Finley and John I. Green, being the lands deceded to Jane Miller, wife of Edmund B. Miller by A. J. Moretz and wife and fully set out by metes and bounds in the deed recorded in book "P" page 167 of the public records of Watauga county to which reference is hereby made. Second tract, One hundred and fifty (150) acres in Bald Mountain township, bounded on the north by the lands of J. W. Finley, on the east by the lands of the heirs of William Norris and on the South by the lands of E. B. Miller and on the west by the lands of J. W. Henry Steele, being the lands deceded to Jane Miller, wife of E. B. Miller by the heirs of Joseph Holman, deceased, and fully set out by metes and bounds in deed recorded in book "M" page 272 of the public records of Watauga county to which record reference is hereby made. Third tract: Eighteen (18) acres of land in Bald Mountain township, bounded on the North by the lands of E. B. Miller, on the east by the lands of E. B. Miller, on the south by the lands of the heirs of William Norris, and on the west by the lands of J. W. Henry Steele being a part of the land deceded to Jane Miller by the heirs of Joseph Holman, deceased, and fully set out by metes and bounds in deed recorded in book "M" page 272 of the public records of Watauga county, to which record reference is hereby made.

Said lands will be sold to satisfy the debt secured by said trust deed and such title will be given as is vested in said trust deed.
ALBERT R. SHATTUCK,
Trustee.

Boston, the city that sympathizes so deeply with the fat, sleek negro of the South came near lynching one a few days ago; for simply drawing a knife on another of his same color. The lynching was prevented with great difficulty. They raise a great cry whenever a negro is lynched in the South for the most untraceous and heinous crimes. They should at least be consistent.

Another veteran editor, Capt. Lewis M. Grist, of the Yorkville, S. C., Enquirer, has passed into the unknown. In him were combined the virtues that tend to make the great and good man and the world feels poorer when they are gone.

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