

LETTER FROM GEN'L VANCE.

(From the Statesville Landmark.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4, 1885. To the Editor of the Landmark: I SAW IN THE CITIZEN, Asheville, the letter of "Tar Heel" which is unjust and erroneous. I speak in reference to S. O. Deaver. With these facts: Mr. Deaver, with fifteen others, had notice that his services were not needed in the Third Auditor's office, because the office had more clerks than necessary. Mr. D. was taken by surprise, and had not prepared for going home. He spoke to me and said he expected to go home in the spring, but that if he could remain until the 1st of January next, he would resign. So I asked my brother to see Auditor Williams and request him to keep him until January 1st. Williams said he would not do so. I then sent him to see Senator Deaver. He did the period mentioned. This was done. Mr. Deaver has gone home, finding it best and in fact necessary to go the first of December instead of January.

This is all there is of the matter, except to say that Bro. Zeb did not go to Mr. Manning and he only saw Mr. Williams once as I have stated, and that at my request. Would it not have been kind and just if "Tar Heel" (I suspect I know him) to know his facts before he published them? And further, is it not a better rule, as far as Democrats are concerned, when charges are made against faithful public servants, to do so openly? This seems to me to be manly and proper. If a charge is worth being heaped to the world it ought to be done openly and without fear. There were no charges against Mr. Deaver, so far as I know only that he had been seriously afflicted, and had to suffer an operation—nothing against his morals or willingness to perform his duties. If there are other statements I did not hear of them, and certainly Gov. V. heard of none. I say personally that Mr. D. married my wife's sister. I can't see that any reason why I should mistreat him. I think my wife's kin is as much entitled to my good offices as anybody else. They stand as to holding offices as other people when they behave—no more, less. If the humblest negro in North Carolina, holding a position here, and I, finding him worthy, was to ask me to ask his retention till he could arrange his affairs to go only a brief period—I would certainly help him. I have never been and hope never to be, an oppressor of the helpless. "Alas! alas!" how ready we are sometimes to take up an evil report. Believing you to be a true Democrat, and a high-toned gentleman, ready to do justice towards all men, I have written this explanation. With high esteem, Truly, ROBT. B. VANCE.

Upon which the Landmark says: In a letter from Washington, printed elsewhere in this paper, Hon. R. B. Vance makes a statement about the reinstatement of Mr. S. O. Deaver, a Republican, after he had been discharged from his position in the Treasury Department. He contradicts "Tar Heel," the correspondent who gave the facts to the public through the Landmark, in only one statement, however, viz: the statement that Senator Vance had visited Secretary Manning as well as Auditor Williams, in Deaver's interest. Of course the fact that the re-instatement was for a period of three months and two weeks instead of for an indefinite time, is a mitigating circumstance. Gen. Vance writes temperately and courteously and we take pleasure in giving him a hearing. Mr. Deaver, meantime, has resigned, and is reported by the Asheville papers as having returned to his home in Buncombe. Whether or not "Tar Heel's" letter and his resignation have any connection with each other this deponent sayeth not. Don't forget to call at Pelham's—Kuas cards in rich profusion, the product of home and foreign artists for sale lower than anywhere. Go to Pelham's Drug Store and see his stock of rich Xmas presents before you purchase. Best mountain copper distilled corn whisky at Hampton & Featherstone's. Hampton & Featherstone always buy the purest and best brands of liquors, tobaccos and cigars. A small house for sale on Phillips st., between Grove and Baily st. Apply to deodid. C. HANSEN. Try Hampton & Featherstone's best apple and peach brandy. See Pelham's cheap cutlery, the quality and the cheapness thereof is amazing. For heavy boots at light prices go to Weaver's Shoe Store. Imported French brandies and wines undiluted at Hampton & Featherstone's. Best case porter, rum, gin, imported and domestic, at Hampton & Featherstone's.

HELLO, FRIEND! Are You Hungry? GO TO HILL'S Dining Room. And get something nice to eat. HILL is always on hand, and the finest market affords to maintain his table. South Main st. no 15-21 2 corners above Eagle st.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

From All Parts of the World.

The Monongahela miners near Pittsburg, are now quiet. One out of twenty-five of the employees of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad are color-blind, and unfit for service. Letters from all parts of the country continue to be received by the board of trade and transportation of New York city in reply to the board's circular regarding the coinage of the standard silver dollar. Nine hundred replies have been received up to date, of which seven hundred and fifty favor the repeal of suspension of the Bland Law. The remainder were in favor of continuing the present law.

The sheriff of Eagle Pass, Texas, with a posse, shot and killed three smugglers and horse thieves near the Rio Grande, yesterday, in attempting to arrest them.

Gen. Butler, 'the widdy Ben,' will run for Congress next year.

A Washington correspondent estimates that Vice President Hendrick's funeral cost the government \$160,000.

The Western Nail Association has advanced the price of steel nails to \$2.50 per keg.

Vanderbilt's funeral was unostentatious, but very impressive.

Senator Sherman thinks Senator Hoar's Presidential succession bill will be agreed upon by the committee early next week, and passed by the Senate promptly.

Comptroller Cannon of the Treasury, reports the Freedman Saving's Bank affairs are rapidly approaching final settlement. He urges Congress to relieve the unfortunate creditors, and says \$930,000 will cover the deficiency. While the republican caucus of senators yesterday failed to adopt a plan to govern the consideration of presidential appointments, it is quite evident that there is a disposition among the senators to confirm all nominations, except those made to fill vacancies caused by dismissals, resulting from charges preferred against republican incumbents. In those cases persons removed will be afforded an opportunity to meet the charges prior to the confirmation of their successors. Of course there will be a number of individual objections to confirmations, but the general sentiment prevailing among the republicans does not indicate that the President is going to suffer much annoyance at the hands of the senate.

What ever may be the result of the effort on the part of the house to distribute among its several committees annual appropriations bills, it can be authoritatively stated that there is no disposition on the part of the senate to change its present method of handling these bills, and that they will all be referred to the senate appropriations committee for revision and report.

King Milan of Servia says he is willing to abide the decision of the powers if compatible with the interest and dignity of Servia.

Four Spanish officers charged with endeavoring to raise a revolution in Cartagena a for Alfonso's death, has been sentenced to death.

Don Carlos, the Spaniard's Assistant is dangerously ill.

Power of the United States. Hon. James N. Kerns, United States Marshal of Pennsylvania, writes that during the severe winter weather, his family used Red Star Cough Cure, and were much benefited by it. He states that he knows nothing better in relieving colds or sore throats.

My Xmas stock is too varied to itemize, the public are asked to call and inspect, W. E. PELHAM.

Hampton & Featherstone keep twice the stock of goods on hand than any house in Western N. C.

Notice to Tobacco Farmers and Buyers. The proprietor is desirous for the farmers to bring in their tobacco for exhibition, where the buyers are invited, so they may fix certain sale days.

Ample room will be found for packing, and no charges, unless satisfactory sales. On Wednesday, Nov. 18th inst., is set apart for the first sale day, when the public generally are invited to come out.

For further information, address A. E. FLETCHER, Proprietor, Hendersonville, N. C. nov 15-18mos

TRUSTEE'S SALE. By virtue of a deed of trust, executed to me by H. K. Rices on May 11th, 1882, and registered in office of Register of Deeds of Buncombe county, I will sell for cash, at public auction, at the Courthouse door in Asheville, N. C., on the first Monday of January next, the land conveyed by said deed, being the land on which A. G. Ramsey now lives on Beaver Dam, and containing about 300 acres. C. M. McLOUD, Trustee.

Valuable City Property for Sale. The Finest in Asheville. ON SATURDAY, FEB. 20, '86, The undersigned will offer for sale, on the premises, that very valuable property, corner Patton Avenue and Court Square, in the City of Asheville, known as the

HUGH JOHNSTON CORNER. There are sixty-two feet fronting in the Square, and runs back one hundred and twenty feet down Patton Avenue. This is a fine building place, on this lot. There will also be lots at the same time and place, a vacant store lot fronting on Patton Avenue, now occupied by Henry and Sons, and W. B. Williamson and Co., respectively. All the property of the late Hugh Johnston. Terms, cash. This is one of the most valuable properties in Asheville for the last few years. Call and examine the lot. Executors Hugh Johnston, dec'd. de 2-dawts

THE MORGANTON ASTLEUM.

Mr. Sawyer informs us that this State Institution is one of the best offered of any in the Union. Everything is kept in splendid condition, and is most satisfactory. He was asked many times, by officers and patients, most kindly after Dr. Hilliard, whom he says made one of the best and kindest officers he ever knew. Dr. Murphy has proven himself one of the best executive officers and most patient and popular physicians. On November 1884 there were under treatment 85 males and 97 females, making a total of 182. Admitted during the past current year 37 males and 49 females; under treatment during the past year 122 males, 146 females, discharged as recovered during the year 21 males, 92 females, discharged improved 2 males, 2 females; discharged unimproved 3 males, 2 females; died 11 males, 12 females. Total removals during the year 37 males, 53 females, total under treatment Nov. 30, 1885, 85 males, 108 females.

ASHVILLE, N. C. Dec. 11th '85. JOHN W. STARKES, Supt. Pub. Instruction, Buncombe Co., N. C.

DEAR SIR:—I have made a careful study of the work you left with me on Hygienic Physiology with special reference to alcoholic drinks and narcotics. In the main I heartily endorse the book; and think that a long stride has been made in the right direction. I have some fault to find with the colored plates to face page 91. The execution is poor and the coloring is unlike anything I ever saw. As a whole the book is thoroughly practical and conveys in a forcible way the dominant facts bearing upon the evils of alcohol, opium, and tobacco.

I think it is calculated to do an immense good. I sincerely trust and believe that the book will pave the way to a revolution in thought and feeling among the people by rightly educating our coming men and women. Very truly yours, JOHN HEY WILLIAMS, M. D.

Lost. Yesterday between Mr. Jos. Adams' on Spruce street, and the store of Mr. A. C. Davis, a Ten Dollar note. The finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office.

TAKE NOTICE. It is your duty to buy your Xmas presents before buying your Xmas presents. Lovely Christmas and New Year cards, Photo, and Autographic Albums, Cups and Saucers, Fine Cologne, beautiful vases, parlor lamps, cheap at Pelham's Pharmacy.

WILD DUCKS. Just received, and for sale at my market, a good supply of wild ducks from the coast, come, and secure a rare treat. T. A. PRICE, Eagle street, near Main.

PARTRIDGES WANTED. Cash paid for partridges. Bring them in to J. F. Price, Eagle street, near main.

HOW TO CLEAR THE COMPLEXION. A sallow complexion, a face all covered with pimples, freckles and blotches is a sure indication of a diseased liver and impure blood. Dr. Hart's Blood Purifier will cleanse the blood and remove all disease from the liver, thereby making a clear skin, and give to the system renewed youth, health and vigor. For pains and aches use Hart's Great Relief.

Hampton & Featherstone enjoy a great reputation for keeping pure goods at popular prices. Xmas and Good Cheer. How delightful the occasion! You can make it "merry" by calling at Pelham's where you can save money.

A CARD. To all who are suffering from the errors and indications of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station D, New York City, no 10 woodliff

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THE HENSLEY TRIAL.

In our illustrations yesterday on Christmas preparations, we omitted, not intentionally, the oldest house in the place devoted to the gratification of the young and the satisfaction of the old. Hensley's is an institution which reaches through the year, but is more especially an integral part of the Christmas holidays. This season it is probably more brilliant than ever has been, with its fascinating display of toys, and with Christmas cards, bijouterie, and is especially tempting in its candies and confections, fruits, and the candies being of Royster's make, all from the celebrated house of Witham, Philadelphia. Don't forget to call at Hensley's on Saturday morning.

Mr. W. E. Breece, the President of the new First National Bank of Asheville, with his family, reached here on Saturday morning, and are established as permanent residents. Mr. Breece has taken the Middleton House on the road to the Swannanoa, a delightful residence. We are very glad to hear of him on a visit to Asheville, and we are glad to see him here. The bank opens its doors for business on Monday morning the 15th inst.

Handsome cups and saucers, work boxes, photograph frames, boxes of paper, white broom holders, &c. at Pelham's.

Choice selection of Christmas cards, and Art Novelties at reasonable prices. J. N. MORGAN & CO.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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AT—HENDERSONVILLE, N. C. MR. A. A. BANKS has charge of it now and he is keeping a good house, and don't you forget it.

His Rooms are nicely furnished and all carpeted, with large fire places and plenty of wood, and "comfort" is his motto.

His Table is supplied with all the substantial and delicate to be obtained on the market, and gotten up in a style to suit the most fastidious.

His Sample Rooms are large with plenty of light and large covered tables to display goods to advantage, and are carpeted and comfortable.

His Terms are reasonable. He will not "cut prices" to secure patronage, but will say that as he is paying no rent he can afford to keep guests as cheap as any other house, and will do so. One visit is sufficient to secure your patronage. Call and be convinced. Business all trains. A. A. BANKS, Manager. dec13-dlm

BOARD OF HEALTH.

For the purpose of organizing a County Board of Health for Buncombe county, all resident physicians of the county who have complied with the laws of the State in regard to the practice of medicine and surgery, or have a diploma from a regular medical college, with the Mayor of Asheville, and city, or county surveyor, are requested to meet at the Court House in Asheville at 10 A. M., Monday, the 14th day of January, 1886.

J. K. HASKIN, Chmn. dec13-d2w

STORE FOR RENT.

The Store building on South Main street, now occupied by F. W. Jones, is for rent. This is a fine brick building, glass front, and desirably located. Apply to H. LAMAR GUDGER, or T. C. BROWN. dec12-1w

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Special attention to Chronic Diseases, including those of Throat and Lungs. Office over COWAN'S JEWELRY STORE, Patton Avenue. de 10-1d

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In the City of Asheville, in the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, has complied with all the provisions of the Revised Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking. Now, THEREFORE, I Henry W. Cannon, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify, that

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INTERESTING READING MATTER ON THE FOURTH PAGE.

Articles and Departments of the Citizen. Saturday—Mail train arrives 9:28 A. M. Sunday—Mail train arrives at 9:48 A. M. Monday—Mail train arrives at 10:00 A. M. Tuesday—Mail train arrives at 10:15 A. M. Wednesday—Mail train arrives at 10:30 A. M. Thursday—Mail train arrives at 10:45 A. M. Friday—Mail train arrives at 11:00 A. M. The Asheville train reaches the depot at 11:20 returning, leaves Asheville at 11:30.

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As much commotion was excited on the square yesterday by the exhibition of the carcasses of two deer, as if game had never been known in this country. They were readily disposed of. We believe the deer were killed among the Black Mountains.

We venture upon the liberty of transferring to our columns the letter of Gen'l R. B. Vance written to the Statesville Landmark, relative to the S. O. Deaver matter, adding the comments of the Landmark thereon. But we do so without comment, but hope for the so doing the enemies of Gen'l Vance, if there be any, may not charge us with either untruthfulness or injustice.

McCarty & Hull received yesterday large orders from Pensacola, Fla., and Texas, for their best brands of Smoking Tobacco. They have added to their business the manufacture of plug, that of smoking tobacco, and have put on the market some superior brands. The Belle of Asheville is unsurpassed in color and flavor. "Jumaluska" is a grade lower, while "Cherokee" is still a little lower. The charm of this tobacco, is that it is of selected leaf, pure, and free from the adventitious aids of flavoring.

Kepler presents in this issue an entirely new bill of fare; one especially arranged for the season, and which, in variety and excellence, has rarely been equalled here. Among these will be found mince-meat, plum pudding, cheeses of various kinds, jams of the most exquisite material and flavor, pates of game, truffled, potted meats, deviled crabs, shrimps, lobsters, etc., etc., ad infinitum.

Col. A. H. Baird assumes the responsibility of the article in Wednesday's Advance signed "People." In our reference to the author of that article we did him, unwittingly, not suspecting the real author, an injustice, which we retract, namely, in saying he was a dead-beat who had been to Washington and had hung upon the sufferance or charity of some one. We don't believe Col. Baird has ever visited that city on such business. We have already characterized the statement that the Citizen has ever treated Senator Vance with injustice.

Col. S. C. Shelton says he is "Veritas" of the same issue of the paper. As he reiterates the statements of that communication we leave the matter where we did before. We must content to some surprise at both of the parties for their expressions and statements.

CHRISTMAS TREE.

It is the purpose of the Methodist Sunday school to have a Christmas tree; therefore, all the teachers and pupils are urged, by their Superintendent and pastor to be present this morning.

THE BARGAIN COUNTER.

At Law's is covered with a lot of toys and other goods bought at auction in New York. Among which are the following: Real Baisque, Figures 5c each, (worth 25) Wax Dolls, 16 inch, 15 and 25c; Brass Trays, 25 and 35c; Scrap Books 10 and 15c; Vases 5c, and Surprise boxes 5c. The stock is finer and the prices lower than ever before. A very carefully selected stock of the Silverware and one of the largest in the State at Law's opposite Eagle Hotel.

THE RUTHERFORD MERRITS.

A anxious to know whether the authorities of the Carolina Central Railroad company would be at the Rutherford meeting on the 15th, Mr. S. R. Kepler, of committee appointed by the Asheville Board of Trade, sent Maj. John C. Winder the following telegram on yesterday:

ASHVILLE, N. C., Dec. 12. Maj. J. C. Winder, Raleigh. Will any of your railroad officials be at Rutherford on the 15th to meet our committee? A non-committal reply will be construed to mean that you are not ready to talk with Asheville and Buncombe County. About extension to this point. Receiving such reply we will stay at home. S. R. KEPLER, for Committee.

To which Maj. Winder promptly replied: RALEIGH, S. C., Dec. 12. S. R. Kepler, Asheville. As none of the officers of the Carolina Central have been invited to attend the meeting at Rutherford they have made other arrangements which will prevent doing so. JOHN C. WINDER, G. M.

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What sane Business Man would risk a \$10,000 stock of goods in one building without fire insurance, and yet the same stock may never be destroyed?

Is it prudent or kind to permit your family to trust that much risk upon a life that is certain of destruction in a very few years, and that may be destroyed to-morrow?

Do you know that a Life Insurance Policy will give you a very large sum of money on an ordinary stock of goods you pay a rate of from one per cent. to two per cent. per annum.

In case of a fire your loss will not probably exceed one half of the stock, while it may be but a trifle.

Do you carry a life policy for from 1 1/2 per cent. to 2 1/2 per cent. per annum (if under forty years of age) with certainty of attendance death, and there will be no further cost to you?

Do you know that after three years, if you come to die, your family will obtain a full-paid policy for the value of all the premium you have paid?

Do you know that \$5,000 or \$10,000 can be added to your estate by paying from three per cent. to four per cent. interest for a short term of years on the sum?

Do you know that you can leave your family \$50,000 or \$100,000 by the simple payment of about each year that is less than their taxes would be upon the same amount of real estate, and you have not a dollar of capital invested?

Do you know that the death of one partner may, and often does cause the closing up of a firm's affairs to its ruin?

Do you know that partnership later as may be paid off upon the death of any member of the firm, he is insuring for the benefit of the others, and the business continues without impairment?

ARE YOU KNOWLEDGED with debt or mortgages? They can all be cleared off in case of death by a Life Insurance Policy in the Ætna Life Insurance Company.

DO YOU KNOW THAT NINETY PER CENT. of the business men of this country fail at least once during a period of five years? DO YOU THINK that your chances of success are better than those of other men? DO YOU KNOW that you are liable to throw every safe-guard around your wife and children to shield them against the possibility of future want or suffering? If you are poor or of moderate circumstances, or if you have a limited income, it is not best to insure if you are rich, will it not be wise? "Riches may take to themselves wings and fly away. DID YOU EVER know any man's estate being swindled off because he died with a good Policy of Insurance upon his life?

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