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PUBLIC OFFICIALS HAD LITTLE 'SCRAP'

Sheriff Williams and Magistrate McIntyre Mix Things—Both Are Arrested.

Growing out of some costs that Sheriff C. F. Williams claims were due the county in the West Asheville trespassing cases that were tried before Magistrate J. A. McIntyre last Tuesday, Sheriff Williams and Magistrate McIntyre had an altercation in the office of Magistrate W. R. Gudgeon yesterday, which resulted in the sheriff submitting to charges of assault and paying a fine of \$1 and the costs to Magistrate Gudgeon and Magistrate McIntyre being sent to the county jail by Mr. Gudgeon, for ten days, on charges of contempt of court.

Just after the altercation between Sheriff Williams and Mr. McIntyre, the latter left the room and went down on Pack square. A subpoena was issued for him to appear before Magistrate Gudgeon, which he failed to recognize, according to the testimony of Constable C. P. Joyner, who then asked for a capias for McIntyre's arrest. This was issued and he was brought before Mr. Gudgeon and sworn and asked to give testimony in the case against Sheriff Williams. McIntyre absolutely refused to testify, after he had asked that the case be continued, which was refused. After being warned by Magistrate Gudgeon to testify, Mr. McIntyre still refused, and then a commitment was issued for him and he was sent to the county jail for contempt of court.

McIntyre made a statement after the trial that he desired to consult his attorney before he resigned in the case, giving this as his reason for refusing.

Before being taken to jail McIntyre had two warrants sworn out before Coroner E. R. Morris, charging Sheriff Williams with cursing and abusing an officer and assault. The warrants were returnable before Magistrate B. L. Lyda.

In regard to the altercation, Sheriff Williams said that the trouble occurred about some costs due the county for work done by the deputy sheriff, which he said Mr. McIntyre had collected and refused to turn over. Sheriff

Williams stated that the deputies had worked out the sum of \$10.14 in the West Asheville trespassing cases and that as magistrate, Mr. McIntyre received this money; that the magistrate had failed to turn this money over to him and that yesterday he went to Mr. McIntyre and demanded that the money be paid at once, saying that if it were not paid by night he would have Mr. McIntyre arrested for embezzlement. On this a dispute arose, the sheriff stated, and one word brought on another until he struck Mr. McIntyre. He said he was also incensed by Mr. McIntyre's representing to a woman that he (Mr. McIntyre) was the sheriff.

TO FORWARD TRADE IN LATIN-AMERICA

Washington, Sept. 13.—Secretary Redfield has named the following to act with the committee of national foreign trade council in working out plans to forward trade with Latin-American countries and meet emergencies brought about by the European war:

William A. Gaston, a Boston banker; Harry A. Wheeler, a Chicago banker; Alva R. Johnson, president of the Baldwin locomotive works of Philadelphia; Robert Dollar of San Francisco; John Barrett, of the Pan-American union; W. J. Simmons, of St. Louis; Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway; Louis Parker, a cotton manufacturer of Greenville, S. C.; and Dr. Clarence W. Owens of the Southern Commercial Congress.

Secretary Redfield was authorized to name the committee at a conference of southern diplomats and manufacturers in Washington several days ago.

SHERIFF IS GOING AFTER C. SMATHERS

Sheriff C. F. Williams left here last night for Washington, D. C., where he goes to bring back to this city Charles Smathers, recently arrested in that city on information of the local county authorities, being wanted here on charges of false pretense.

A message was received here several days ago that Smathers was under arrest in Washington and being held by the superintendent of police, pending word from the local officials. He refused to return here without requisition papers and these were forwarded by Governor Locke Craig. Smathers is charged with securing money from J. A. Porter of this city under false pretense.

Sues Southern Railway.

J. E. McDowell filed a complaint today in Superior court against the Southern Railway company in which he seeks to recover the sum of \$3000 for injuries alleged to have been received at the hands of the company.

Vessels Insured.

Washington, Sept. 13.—War risk insurance amounting to \$2,222,000 has been written on eleven vessels by the federal insurance bureau. Applications for \$3,000,000 more pending.

ADDITIONAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Robert F. Campbell of Pearson's drive will be out of the city on next Friday and for that reason will not keep her regular at-home day.

Mrs. R. C. Stevens, who has been quite ill recently is much better, much to the pleasure of her many friends in the city.

C. Harry Hites, News Editor of The Citizen, left yesterday for a visit to his mother and father at Johnson City, Tenn. Before returning to Asheville Mr. Hites plans to spend several days with friends in Chattanooga and Nashville. He will be gone about ten days.

John F. Turley of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting in the city.

Miss Mammie Young has gone to Atlanta and Savannah, Ga., for visits.

Happiness.

If we cannot live so as to be happy we can at least live so as to deserve it.—Fleete.

RAILROAD WILL NOT HAVE TRUST

Important Notice Received in Asheville by Officials of Southern Railway.

James H. Wood, division passenger agent of the Southern railway has just received the following important railroad announcement, by wire from Richmond:

"The next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Southern railway will be held at the principal office of the company in Richmond, on October 13 at 10 a. m., will mark a new era in the history of the railroad company as it will be the first meeting in which the 12,000 stockholders have had the opportunity to vote directly, the voting trust, in existence since the organization of the company now being in progress of dissolution.

"An effort will be made to make this meeting one more than of the conventional routine which current criticism finds to be characteristic of the meetings of the American railway companies," says President Fairfax Harrison in a letter addressed to all of the stockholders, and co-operation of the stockholders is necessary to that end. The principal officers will be in attendance to answer direct questions directed to the policy of the management or to any details of its business, and the report of the operations during the past year will be before the stockholders for discussion.

"The principal business to be transacted will be the election of five directors, four to fill vacancies due to the expiration of terms of the 1914 class and among them Messrs. Finley and Fahrenstock who have died during the past year, and one to fill a vacancy in the 1916 class due to resignation. It is expected that this meeting will be largely attended and that the gathering of the stockholders of the Southern railway will become an annual event of great importance in Richmond."

DELEGATES WILL ATTEND I. O. O. F. ENCAMPMENT

E. B. Stradley Will Go From Asheville to the Meeting in Atlantic City.

E. B. Stradley of this city and D. Gaster of Fayetteville will represent the grand encampment of the I. O. O. F. in North Carolina at the annual meeting of the Sovereign Grand lodge of the order that meets in Atlantic City next Monday. Charley Dewey of Goldsboro and M. L. Shipman of Raleigh will represent the grand lodge of North Carolina at the meeting.

Mr. Stradley will leave here next Saturday to attend the meeting of the Sovereign Grand lodge and will remain in Atlantic City for the entire week. He will carry reports, together with Mr. Gaster, of the work done during the past year by the grand encampment of this state.

Heretofore a large number of foreign delegates have always attended the meeting of the Sovereign Grand lodge, but owing to the great European war now in progress it is thought that no representatives will be present from any foreign country.

Tickets now on sale at McIntyre's corner, for Fair, October 13-17, 1914. Please buy today and help charity. Phone 260 or 855. 185-261

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"BLACK JIM" THE CONVICT

By M. QUAD
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The man known as "Black Jim" had been sent out to the penal colony of Australia for forgery.

They sent him up to Woonah Wally after his first two years of imprisonment, and he fell into the hands of George Stebbins. In those days an Australian convict was bid off—that is, a settler in want of help would bid a price for so many men, and they were turned over to him for a certain length of time. He was responsible for their feed and care, and his word was law. He could work them as hard and as long as he wished. He could starve and beat them and there was no one to come between. In case of insubordination he could shoot them down, and the government simply accepted his statement of the affair. All convicts were glad enough to get away from prison and out upon the ranches, and in most cases they found good masters and were decently treated. As a member of the mounted police I knew that Stebbins was a hard man to get along with. He had been a tavern keeper and a bully in England, and his wife had committed suicide, and his two sons had been taken away from him by the law on account of his cruelty.

Black Jim came up to Woonah Wally with six other men, and the gang were up at police headquarters for the night. It fell to us to take their pedigrees and post them as to their new master and what would be expected of them. In our district we always gave a convict a fair start. He was told what would be required of him, advised to do his best to please his master and given to understand that if he went straight we would see that he had fair usage. I was interested in Black Jim at once. The law had made a convict of him, but it hadn't degraded him.

I had an idea that Stebbins would be down on him from the first because of his superior looks, and I went pretty thoroughly into details. When I had finished the prisoner said: "I thank you, sir, and shall do my best to please."

Things came about as I feared. As Stebbins inspected his gang he picked Black Jim out for special attention. He had little to say to the others beyond making bloodcurdling threats of what would happen if they didn't toe the mark, but to Jim he said:

"So they have sent me a gentleman, have they? They thought I needed somebody to teach me manners perhaps. Maybe the idea was for you to sit on the veranda and give me daily lessons. Well, you've come to the wrong shop. Look, now, I'm going to keep an eye on you! You think yourself head and shoulders above the crowd, but I'll take the conceit out of you!"

Not one convict in a thousand would have stood the insults and degradation put upon Black Jim the next year I know he tried his best, but there was no pleasing Stebbins. He was always boasting that he had a gentleman convict and that he was bound to "break" him, and he spent a good share of his time worrying the man. One day, as I was returning with the troop after hunting down a false alarm of bushrangers, my horse shied and threw me almost in front of Stebbins' house, and as I struck on a stone and had several ribs broken I was carried in. He was not glad to see me, but under the circumstances was obliged to give me a bed. On the fourth night of my accident four men and three women arrived for an evening visit.

When dinner had been finished and the drink had gone around Stebbins sent for Black Jim and ordered him to dance for the amusement of the company. The convict respectfully but firmly refused, and his master cried out in indignation:

"You won't dance, eh? Too much of a gentleman to give us a horripole! Maybe this company isn't swagger enough for the likes of a bloomin' murderer!"

"The charge against me was forgery, etc.," quietly replied the man.

"I don't care what it was. You are insubordinate, and up you go by the thumbs! After hangin' till daylight you'll probably be a little more humble."

The man had been hanging ten minutes and the agony had almost brought unconsciousness when the door was kicked open and bushrangers crowded in. It was a complete surprise. The women screamed out and began to cry, but the men, with the exception of Stebbins, took it rather coolly. The bully and coward went white as death and fell into a chair, and it was almost pitiful to hear him beg for his life.

The next instant Stebbins toppled out of his chair with a bullet in his head, and the leader said:

"Sorry we have interrupted the festivities, but it was our calling night. We were after Stebbins alone, and the rest of you need not fear. Come, Jim, we want you."

Two of them helped the forger-convict out of the house and upon a horse, and that was the making of the most notorious bushranger in all Australia. He had a career of five years and then died from a bullet, and it was two years after his death before it became publicly known that he had led the law make a convict of him in order to shield a brother. I had always be-

lieved him innocent of the crime, and, knowing how he had been persecuted and abused by Stebbins, I almost rejoiced when the bushrangers carried him off to make a leader of him.

A Few Best Sellers.

The principal character in the following dialogue was not engaged in flirtation, but merely requisitioning a few novels:

Young Lady (reading from list)—"Engaged to Be Married?"

Librarian (referring to shelf)—No, madam.

Lady—"Thou Art the Man?"

Librarian—Yes, madam.

Lady—"Thank you. 'Two Kisses'?"

Librarian—Out, madam.

Lady—"After Dark?"

Librarian—Yes, madam.

Lady—"Thanks. 'Love Me Forever'?"

Librarian—No. "Wooded and Married?"

Lady—No, thank you. "Under Love's Rule?"

Librarian—No, madam.

Lady—"Goodby, Sweetheart? Thank you very much.—Books of Today and Tomorrow.

Father and Son.

A certain Chicago business man is the father of a youth of a most literal

tendency. Last spring, when the other left for Europe, where he was to spend the entire summer, he presented the lad that if he were to attain a certain mark in his studies his father would be a continental trip with him.

The prospect of such a trip lured the lad to such a degree that he attained a mark even higher than that set him by his parent. He called his father the one word "Yes."

It would seem, however, that the father had forgotten his offer, for on thinking over the message he called back, "Yes, what?"

Then, in turn, the son was perplexed. Finally, after due reflection, he called to his father, "Yes, sir."—Detroit Press.

From the Readers.

Prospective Subscriber (in office the Weekly Whoop)—Don't you have any clubbing propositions?

Editor and Proprietor—Oh, yes, a while, but horsewhipping and clubbing propositions seem to be the ones around here!—Puck.

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