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The polls will be opened, and an election held at the several polling places in Alamance county, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1878, for the purpose of electing a Representative to the Congress of the United States, for the Forty-Sixth Congress, from the fifth Congressional District in North Carolina.

By order of the Board of Justices.  
D. S. THOMPSON J. P. G. D. COBB J. P.  
Clerk. Chairman.

## YUBA DAM.

[From the Stillwater Lumberman.]

We do not think Maria Ann and I do not think that Rev. Mr. Tunker has any right to go around talking about us in the way he does. Of course we are willing to admit that this whole business has been unpleasant for him, but it has been unpleasant for us, too, and it would be no more than Christian like in Mr. Tunker to come to the house again and give us a chance to explain the matter, and to beg his pardon, and he ought to apologize to us for talking the way he has. As for young Scissors, he can turn up his nose at our Susan Jane all he likes. Every one knows that he was crazy to get her, and would be now, if he thought he had any chance. We ought not to be blamed about this any more, because we have sold the parrot.

I bought that parrot of a man of California. I do not know where he got it, but the parrot had been carefully trained, so that if you asked it "where did you come from?" it would reply "Yuba dam," just like a member of Congress. Indeed, from having sugar, etc., given him for making his answers promptly, the parrot had reached that stage when he was yelling "Yuba dam" at all hours of the day, real sociable. I used to sit for half an hour, after dinner, half asleep, listening to him. It seemed just like a political meeting.

A few days after I bought the parrot, Susan Jane (she is Maria Ann's youngest sister) came in looking very much pleased, and said that Mr. Scissors, the dry goods man, was going to call that evening. I said I should be pleased to see him, at which Maria Ann snickered, and the parrot sung out, "Yuba dam."

Scissors came about dark, and I asked him into the library to have a cigar but he refused, and the parrot remarked "Yuba dam" again, and made both the women laugh. As Scissors would not go into the library, I sat down in the parlor and entertained him the best way I could until nine o'clock, when he went off very hurriedly, and slammed the front door so vehemently that it was rather a relief to me that the noise roused the parrot sufficiently so that he could murmur "Yuba dam." Susan Jane did not speak to me, for some reason, for several days. One afternoon she returned from a walk as cheerful as ever, and Mr. Scissors was coming again. I thought Mr. Scissor must find me more entertaining than I found him, and I told my wife that as Scissors did not seem to be much of a conversationalist, perhaps we had better have a little whisky or cribbage to entertain him.

"You old fool," said my wife.  
"Yuba dam," said the parrot.  
Then my wife explained that Scissors did not care anything at all about me, but he was coming to see Susan Jane.  
"Why," said I, "the ant courting Susan Jane, is he?" and then Susan Jane looked as blushing and happy as an angel, and the parrot yelled "Oh, Ho, Ha-a-a-a; Yuba dam."

So I did not go into the parlor that evening, and as Maria was busy darning stockings, and could not talk much, I retired early, and was soon asleep. Several hours later Maria woke me up.

J. Joshua Jenkins, it is raining pitchforks," she said. I agreed that it did sound that way. She added, "It would be inhuman to let Scissors go home in such a storm, he ought to stay all night."

I told her that it appeared to me he had stayed all night, but she hushed me up, and I started for the parlor. She grabbed me by the coat skirt, just as I was about to open the parlor door, saying, "Well if you ain't the biggest idiot!"

Then she knocked chairs together, and hit her hand against the door knob once or twice, made a variety of noises, and then told me I could go in. All her trouble was needless, for when I went in Susan sat on one side of the parlor and Scissors on the opposite side, and they were talking about a war in Mexico. Scissors thankfully accepted my invitation, and I showed him to a room, but he did not have a great deal of time to sleep before breakfast was ready.

I brought the parrot out of the parlor, because I thought it would be amusing to hear him talk while we were eating, and that ill-omened bird squinted at Mr. Scissors a few moments and then went off.

"Ah-a-a-a," just as fast as he could jabber. "Scissors, Scissors, Sc-r-r-r, Yuba dam. Oh, you cut. You're musing my hair all up. Yuba dam, Scissors, Sc-r-r-r. Oh, I'll scream!"

You never saw any one blush so red as Susan Jane did, and Mr. Scissors was so embarrassed that he put sugar on his beefsteak, and dipped mustard in his coffee. Maria kicked my shins under the table until she abraded the cuticle in several places, and finally she told me to

take that horrible parrot in the woods. I did not go at once, because the parrot was saying things that I had never heard him say before. I remarked that the intelligence of parrots was wonderful.

"That bird," said I, "must think. He never heard any one talk that way." But just then Maria kicked me so hard that I stopped talking to feel of my leg, and see whether it was broken in one place or two places.

The parrot went right on, "Oh, Susan! Darling Susan Jane," and then he made a smacking noise with his bill. "My Susan, she should have a carriage and a diamond ring, and go to Paris. O-o-o-o Yuba dam," and then he smacked his bill as though he were crazy.

Susan Jane began to cry, and Scissors threw a biscuit and knocked the cage off of the chair, where it stood, and yelled, "You be damned your own self. I never said so."

"You did," said Susan, and with that she fainted away, and Mr. Scissors left.

I told Maria that I would sell the parrot. He seemed to have more intelligence than discretion. But I could not find a purchaser that forenoon, and in the afternoon Rev. Mr. Tunker called. Maria met him at the door, full of her trials, and began, "Oh, Mr. Tunker," "Yuba dam" replied the parrot, and it sounded as though Maria Ann made the whole remark. Mr. Tunker looked very much horrified, and Maria tried to explain. "Why, Mr. Tunker, if you think I could use such language," "Yuba dam" yelled the parrot, and Mr. Tunker whirled and walked away, pulling his hat over his eyes with both hands.

I set the cage in the back yard and turned a barrel over it and kept the parrot there on bread and water until I got a chance to sell him, but neither Mr. Tunker nor Mr. Scissors called at our house any more.

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

### SENATE.

Pitt—E A Moyer, Democrat.  
Wilson, Nash and Franklin—W S Harris, Franklin; R W King, Wilson, Dems.  
Jones, Onslow and Carteret—John W Shuckelord, Democrat.  
Wayne and Duplin—W T Dortch, Wayne; J A Bryan, Duplin, Dems.  
New Hanover and Pender—R K Bryan, Dem.  
Bladen and Brunswick—A A Ross, Republican.  
Sampson—Robinson Ward, Republican.  
Columbus and Robeson—D P McEachern, Democrat.  
Cumberland and Harnett—Neil S Stewart, Dem.  
Johnson—L R Waddell, Dem.  
Wake—George H Snow, Democrat.  
Warren—Isaac Alston, (col.) Rep.  
Granville—E E Lyon, Dem.  
Chatham—A H Merritt, Dem.  
Rockingham—J P Dillard, Dem.  
Alamance and Guilford—J I Seales, of Guilford, Dem., David F Caldwell, Guilford, Dem.  
Rutherford and Polk—J B Eaves, Rep.  
Richmond and Montgomery—George A Graham, Rep.  
Anson and Union—Culpepper Austin, Dem.  
Cabarrus and Stanley—J M Redwine, Dem.  
Mecklenburg—S B Alexander, Dem.  
Iowan and Davie—John S Henderson, Dem.  
Catawba and Lincoln—W A Graham, Democrat.  
Iredell, Wilkes and Alexander—T A Nicholson, of Iredell; J P Matheson, of Alexander, Dems.  
Cleveland and Gaston—L J Hoyle, Dem.  
Bruncombe and Madison—T F Davidson, Dem.  
Jackson, Swain, Macon, Cherokee, Clay and Graham—James L Robinson, Dem.  
Haywood, Henderson and Transylvania—T W Taylor, democrat.  
Orange, Person and Caswell—Geo. Williamson, of Caswell, democrat; Giles Mebane, of Caswell, democrat.  
Greene and Lenoir—W P Ormond, rep.  
Tyrrell, Washington, Martin, Beaufort and Hyde—J T Waldo, dem., B T Sykes rep.  
Bertie and Northampton—Holleman, rep.  
Halifax—Henry Eppes, col., rep.  
Craven—Edward Bull, rep.  
Davidson—J M Leach, dem.  
Stokes and Forsyth—Geo B Everett, rep.  
Surry and Yadkin—J M Brower, rep.  
Bladen, Edgecombe and Watauga—Jesse Bledsoe, dem.  
Caldwell, Burke, McDowell, Mitchell

and Yancy—A M Erwin, dem., J G Bynum, dem.

Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Hertford, Gates, Chowan and Perquimans—Rufus White, George H Mitchell, reps.  
Edgecombe—Willis Bunn, col., rep.  
Moore and Randolph—N M Black, rep.

Total—Democrats 31; Republicans 16. Democratic majority 15.

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Alamance—Dr B F Mebane, dem.  
Alexander—Dr J M Carson, dem.  
Alleghany—E L Vaughn, dem.  
Anson—J A Lockhart, dem.  
Ashe—Ed Foster, dem.  
Bertie—Wm C Etheridge, dem.  
Beaufort—J C Osborne, republican.  
Bladen—Jno Newell, (col.) republican.  
Brunswick—A C Mears, dem.  
Bruncombe—Nat Atkinson, M E Carter, dems.  
Burke—B A Berry, dem.  
Cabarrus—W H Orchard, dem.  
Caldwell—E Imund Jones dem.  
Camden—S J Forbes, dem.  
Carteret—A H Chadwick, dem.  
Caswell—Wilson Cary, col., Thomas Harrison, reps.  
Catawba—R B Davis, dem.  
Chatham—J M Moring, J J Goldston, dem.  
Cherokee—Bruce, Rep.  
Chowan—H H Hobbs, Rep.  
Clay—J S Anderson, Democrat.  
Cleveland—L E Powers, Democrat.  
Columbus—V V Richardson, Dem.  
Cumberland—Thos S Lutterloh, John C Blocker, Reps.  
Currituck—J M Woodhouse, Dem.  
Craven—W E Clarke, W D Pettipher, Reps.  
Dare—J L Fulcher, Dem.  
Davis—F M Johnson, Dem.  
Davidson—Julian Miller, Republican, G Franklin Smith, Dem.  
Duplin—G W Lamp, A S Colwell, Democrats.  
Edgecombe—Clinton Battle, (col'd) Dred Wimberly, (col.) Reps.  
Forsyth—W H Lowrie, Rep.  
Franklin—C M Cooke, Dem.  
Gaston—Harley Hinfestie, Democrat.  
Gates—J J Gatling, Democrat.  
Granville—J E Burroughs, Rufus Amis, Dems.  
Greene—Joseph Dixon, Rep.  
Guilford—C J Wheeler, J A McLean, Democrats.  
Halifax—J A White, Jno Reynolds, (col.) Reps.  
Harnett—C H Coffield, Dem.  
Haywood—F M Davis, Democrat.  
Henderson—A J Bird, Republican.  
Hertford—J J Horton, Rep.  
Hyde—Thos P Bonner, Dem.  
Iredell—J R McCorkie, J D Clide, Dems.  
Jackson—Capt Leatherwood, Dem.  
Johnston—E H Bizzel, E J Holt Dems.  
Jones—C D Foy, Rep.  
Lenoir—W W Dunn, Rep.  
Lincoln—C C Cobb, Democrat.  
Macon—John Reid, democrat.  
Madison—B F Davis, republican.  
Martin—N B Fagan, democrat.  
McDowell—J T Reid, democrat.  
Mecklenburg—Jno L Brown, W E Ardrey, dems.  
Montgomery—W T H Ewing, rep.  
Moore—Neil Leach, dem.  
Nash—G N Lewis, dem.  
New Hanover—H E Scott, W H Waddell, (col.) republicans.  
Northampton—J W Grant, democrat.  
Orange—M A Angier, dem., Josiah Turner, rep.  
Onslow—C S Hewitt, dem.  
Pasquotank—Hugh Cale (col.), rep.  
Pender—Thos J Armstrong, dem.  
Perquimans—J W Blaisdell, rep.  
Person—Montford McGee, dem.  
Pitt—D C Moore, Germain Bernard, democrats.  
Polk—Nesbit Dimsdale, rep.  
Randolph—N C English, dem., G H Bingham, Rep.  
Richmond—D M Henderson, Rep.  
Robeson—A C Oliver, democrat, R M Norment, republican.  
Rockingham—T L Kaway and Wm R Lindsay, dems.  
Rowan—H C Best, dem., David Baringer, dem.  
Rutherford—Nathan Young, dem.  
Sampson—L R Carroll, J C Hines, democrats.  
Stanly—Daniel Ritchey, dem.  
Stokes—Squire Venable, rep.  
Surry—N P Foard, dem.  
Swain—T D Bryson, democrat.  
Transylvania—J H Paxton, democrat.  
Tyrrell—W G Nelson, democrat.  
Union—D A Covington, democrat.  
Wake—W E Richardson, democrat; R W Wynne, J J Ferrell, Stewart Elison (col.) Republicans.  
Washington—, Rep.  
Watauga—W B Council, dem.  
Warren—L T Christmas, Hawkins

Carter, (col.) republicans.  
Wayne—G C Buchan, dem., W A Deans, rep.

Wilson, Dr J M Taylor dem.  
Wilkes, Dr Tyro York, Dr L Harrill, dems.

Yadkin—Brown, rep.  
Yancey—D G Carter, democrat.

Total. Democrats 79; Republicans 41; democratic majority 38. On joint ballot 56.

## BILL LONGLEY OF TEXAS.

THE END OF THE MOST ATROCIOUS CRIMINAL IN THE COUNTRY.

Exploiting on Gallows One of Over a Score of Murderers—A Career Happily Unparalleled in American Records of Crime.

GALVESTON, Texas, Oct. 11.—A special to the News from Giddings, says Wm. P. Longley, generally known as Bill Longley, was hanged there to-day in the presence of a vast crowd for the murder of Wilson Anderson, in March, 1875. Longley made a speech from the gallows asking the forgiveness of those whom he had injured, and warning his hearers to forego revenge, as it was that passion which brought him to the scaffold.

At 2:37 o'clock the deed fell; the culprit moved a couple of times, and his arms and legs worked spasmodically for a few seconds. In eleven and a half minutes life was pronounced extinct.

Longley had certainly killed eight men, six whites and two negroes, besides shooting several others who survived; but it is confidently believed that at least thirty men died by his hand.

William P. Longley was the first murderer judiciously hanged in Texas for two years. Longley was no doubt the king of desperadoes, though he lately protested that he was innocent of some of the murders attributed to him. He was never able to recall them all. Longley was one of the handsomest men I ever met. He was a little over twenty seven years of age, tall and graceful, with a mild, blue eye, ruddy complexion, Roman nose, a dark moustach and goatee, and a set of teeth like pearls. While talking he occasionally rubbed them with a faded silk handkerchief, and his voice was low and gentle as a woman's. He wore the Texan smbrero the band of which is made in imitation of the coiled rattlesnake, and with his coat buttoned around his shapely waist, his hat tipped a little to one side on his well-shaped head, he was the model of the roving desperado of Texas.

Longley began his extraordinary career at the age of 15, when he and a companion amused themselves by mounting on horseback and firing at every negro whom they encountered. Those were stormy times even in Texas, when it was emerging from the civil war and the civil law was virtually dead in the greater portion of the State. The immunity which Longley enjoyed emboldened him to more daring crimes, until, before reaching his majority, he was one of the most dreaded men North of the Rio Grande.

While yet young he started through the Indian nation with a companion, but was attacked by outlaws, his partner killed, and himself put to flight. When his horse gave out he shot an Indian and took his from him. This he repeated several times, until the Creeks and Choctaws gathered together and pursued him. Longley's horse was killed, himself wounded, and he took to the bush. Here he was found by an old squaw, who brought him food and helped conceal him until the hue and cry was over, when he got away.

Longley subsequently joined a party which started for the Black Hills, but were turned back by the Government troops, and he enlisted in the service. He made an arrangement with the quartermaster to swindle the Government but the two attempted to swindle each other, quarrelled, and he shot the quartermaster dead was captured, and sentenced to a long confinement in prison, but escaped as he declared through bribing the guard.

While tramping through the woods in Arkansas one day he stopped at a cabin, where he was welcomed by its only occupant, a powerful limbed, heavily bearded man. While the two were in conversation the cabin was surrounded by a vigilance committee, that had come for the express purpose of lynching the host, who was a noted horse thief named West. Finding a handsome, graceful guest, they concluded he belonged to the gang. Longley protested, and appealed to the horse thief who grimly shook his head. As there was no help for himself, he thought his visitor might as well bear him company in the road to the sudden gallows. Both men were carried out and hanged to the limb of a tree, and then the seven

vigilants galloped away. A brother of West was hiding in the woods, watching the proceedings. As the horsemen disappeared, he ran up and cut down the horse thief. He was already dead, but when Longley was lowered, he was found to be alive. The knot of rope had caught under his ear, and in the course of an hour he was as well as ever.

Longley straightway devoted himself to "getting even" with the vigilance committee. He caught and hanged the man that put the rope around his neck and claimed to have shot all the others, though it is scarcely credible that such was the case.

Some of Longley's murders were particularly atrocious. He deliberately killed the Rev. Mr. Ray of Arkansas because that gentleman attempted to persuade a young girl not to marry the desperado. One night a soldier expressed an unfavorable opinion of Texans and Longley sent a bullet through his brain. His last crime so far as known was that of walking into a field where a man was ploughing and firing one barrel of his gun at him. The poor fellow fell badly wounded, and asked Longley why he had shot him. "For fun," was the answer, as the young scoundrel emptied the other barrel into his victims body, instantly killing him. It should be stated also that Longley suspected this person of being concerned in the slaying of a distant relative of his.

Finally this desperado seemed to weary of his massacre, and went into Neaegdoches County, where he engaged himself to a farmer. He wrought quietly for several months, and formed a strong friendship for a young man in the neighborhood, to whom, finally, under a solemn pledge of secrecy he gave his correct name. His confidant communicated with the authorities, who, knowing the desperate character of their man, succeeded in surrounding him while he was unarmed and working in a field. His trial and conviction followed, and after several appeals, he suffered yesterday the penalty of his numerous crimes.

## FORWARD THE ORPHAN.

[N. Y. World.]

A bright-eyed, golden-haired little boy of four arrived at Graham last week. Round his neck was a ribbon, to which was attached a card inscribed, "To the Masonic Fraternity—Forward the Orphan to San Francisco. Howard Association, New Orleans." The child was the last survivor of the family of Mr. Henry F. Wilcox, a prominent merchant of New Orleans; his father and mother and four brothers and sisters had died of yellow fever. The ladies of the Palmer House cared for him and petted him, and in the afternoon, the Chicago and North-western Railroad managers forwarded the orphan on the second stage of his journey of 3,300 miles.

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