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WE PRINT upon the first page an article entitled "What we see to appreciate and deprecate," from the pen of one of our most deserving and progressive young men.

Public sentiment is a powerful weapon and has its influence upon men almost by intuition. When rightly directed it is a great instrument for good.

MARCH FOURTH! March forth! The hungry veterans of six hardly contested campaigns, endured to defeat, today march forward in triumph.

The important case in Mecklenburg court was the trial of Leroy Morrow, white, who killed John Withers, colored, while in the act of throwing a rock at him in his own yard.

Two drummers were riding on the Carolina Central R. R. on a 1,000 mile ticket made out in both of their names.

Farmers living near Raleigh are going largely into the cultivation of grapes for the New York market.

LEGISLATIVE TOPICS.

SENATE—Feb. 23.

Passed third reading: Stock law for New Hanover and parts of Franklin county; to amend charter of Davidson College and ch. 371, laws of 1883; to secure free passage of fish up North Fork of New River in Ashe; concerning obscene literature; concerning trustees and declaratory of ch. 204, laws of 1874; \$5,000 additional to Oxford Asylum; to amend sections 1594, 3581 and 3078 of Code; to amend sec. 1739 of Code in reference to drawing juries; to allow justices to issue warrants for protection of crops; to allow counter-affidavits in motions for continuance.

NIGHT SESSION.

Passed third reading: For relief of sheriffs and tax collectors; to allow convicts to be employed in tearing down the Exposition buildings; to amend section 375 of Code.

HOUSE—Feb. 23.

Passed third reading: To repeal ch. 130, laws of 1883; to protect children abandoned by their parents; to allow juries to take written instructions when retiring; to amend sections 677, 1976, 3739 and 560 of Code; to establish a Normal School at Boone; to amend solicitors fees; to allow \$310,000 on hand, collected as a fund to pay interest, be invested and thus bring in \$16,000 a year interest.

SENATE—Feb. 24.

Passed third reading: For the support of the deaf, dumb and blind asylum; to make it unlawful for physicians to disclose information lawfully given them by patients.

The bill for relief of disabled Confederate soldiers was taken up by committee of the whole and there was animated debate in which Messrs. Bower, Todd and others joined.

Pending discussion committee arose and went into executive session and confirmed the following appointments: Criminal court of New Hanover and Mecklenburg—O. P. Meares, judge; B. R. Moore, solicitor; John W. Dunham, clerk at Wilmington; George E. Wilson, solicitor; T. R. Robertson, clerk at Charlotte.

NIGHT SESSION.

Passed third reading: To make appropriations for the insane asylums and to complete the Western insane asylum; to exempt train dispatchers from jury duty.

HOUSE—Feb. 24.

After introduction of bills and second reading of various bills the House went into committee of the whole on the school bill. Amended so as to allow superintendent not over \$3 nor under \$2 per day. Pending consideration committee arose and House adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

Passed third reading: To make 9 instead of 5 directors of the penitentiary; to give Buncombe the stock law.

A motion to make the stock law cover the State caused much debate and was lost.

SENATE—Feb. 25.

Passed third reading: With one exception they were mostly local bills. The University bill, as passed by the House, came up and passed.

HOUSE—Feb. 25.

The House went into committee of the whole on the school bill. Passed second reading. Pay of county superintendent limited to 3 per cent. of school fund. No first grade teacher can be employed by committee unless agreeable to superintendent.

SENATE—Feb. 25.

Bill for the maintenance of the University was special order. The bill passed as it came from the house, an amendment to do away with county students being lost by a large majority.

NIGHT SESSION.

Passed third reading: To extend time for redeeming land sold for taxes; to prevent felling of timber in North Fork of New River and its tributaries; to amend the law in regard to a graded road from Wilkesboro to the Virginia line; for the better drainage of Lower Creek in Burke and Caldwell counties; to incorporate Elk Park, Mitchell county.

HOUSE—Night Session.

Mr. Tate, Chairman, reported the revenue bill which fixes the rate at 25 cents.

Passed third reading: To prohibit the sale of oysters in the shell unless measured in North Carolina measures; to prohibit the sale of liquor within two miles of Lincoln; to incorporate Morganton; to allow commissioners of McDowell to sell poor and other lands and buy others.

SENATE—Feb. 26.

Passed third reading: To amend section 1966 of Code relating to railroads; to amend ch. 204, laws of 1876-7 in reference to the completion of the Western Asylum; to protect the merchants of the State; asking President of the University to furnish names and addresses of county students from 1881-5 inclusive.

HOUSE—Feb. 26.

A bill was introduced to allow Watauga county to levy a special tax.

passed changing the time for holding Davis and Yadin courts. The changed term began last week, but no Judge appeared. It seems that the notice to him miscarried in the mails. The senator arose to a question of privilege and showed that he had made every effort to have the notice given to the Judge.

HOUSE—Night Session.

Bill taxing dogs and promoting sheep husbandry was indefinitely postponed.

Bill to allow Watauga county to levy a special tax passed second reading.

Passed third reading: To give Wake county and Eagle Mills township, Iredell county, the stock law; adjusting the valuation of lands in Cleveland and Gaston counties; to repeal ch. 266, laws of 1883; to make it illegal for physicians to disclose evidence given them confidentially by patients; to incorporate the N. C. Baptist orphanage; to amend the law in respect to bonds of Superior Court Clerks and Registers of Deeds; to change the line between Burke and Caldwell counties.

SENATE—Feb. 27.

Passed third reading: To secure to creditors a just division of estates of debtors who convey to assignees for benefit of creditors.

HOUSE—Feb. 27.

Bill to require county commissioners to build fire-proof vaults, passed second reading.

Bill was passed providing for the building of a cheap building for the benefit of 100 harmless incurable insane.

SENATE—Feb. 28.

Passed third reading: To amend sections 349, 2834, 3443, 1667, 3739 and 1976 of the Code; to give effect to sec. 18, art. 4 of the constitution; to allow D. W. Patrick, clerk of the court of Greene county, to go to the inauguration; special tax for Hertford; to change the line between Burke and Caldwell; to provide for an election on the stock law in Catawba.

HOUSE—Feb. 28.

Passed third reading: To incorporate the Confederate Home Association of Charlotte; special tax to Lenoir county; to extend the Mecklenburg road law to various counties; to establish a State flag; special tax for Sampson; to complete the N. C. Midland R. R.; to provide for \$41,000 for the deaf, dumb and blind asylum.

THE NEW DISTRICTS.

News and Observer.

As much interest is felt in the probable re-arrangement of the judicial districts, we have obtained a scheme of the new districts which meets with favor among the committee on judicial reform.

Indeed, we may say that the following arrangement is the drift of opinion among the members of that committee:

First district: Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Gates, Hertford, Chowan, Hyde, Tyrrell, Washington, Beaufort, Pamlico and Dare, with thirty-five weeks of court.

Second district: Warren, Halifax, Northampton, Bertie, Edgecombe and Craven, with thirty-six weeks of court.

Third district: Martin, Pitt, Greene, Wilson, Nash, Franklin and Vance, with thirty-eight weeks of court.

Fourth district: Wayne, Johnston, Harnett and Wake, with thirty-four weeks of court.

Fifth district: Guilford, Chatham, Alamance, Orange, Durham, Granville, Person and Caswell, with thirty-seven weeks of court.

Sixth district: Carteret, Jones, Onslow, Lenoir, Duplin, Pender, New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus and Sampson, with thirty-six weeks of court.

Seventh district: Moore, Cumberland, Bladen, Robeson, Richmond and Anson, with thirty-eight weeks of court.

Eighth district: Randolph, Montgomery, Stanley, Cabarrus, Rowan, Davidson and Iredell, with thirty-five weeks of court.

Ninth district: Rockingham, Stokes, Forsythe, Yadkin, Wilkes, Alleghany, Surry and D. vie, with thirty-four weeks of court.

Tenth district: Ashe, Watauga, Caldwell, Mitchell, Yancey, McDowell, Burke, Henderson and Transylvania, with thirty-three weeks of court.

Eleventh district: Union, Mecklenburg, Gaston, Lincoln, Catawba, Alexander, Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk, with thirty-three weeks of court.

Twelfth district: Madison, Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson, Swain, Macon, Clay, Graham and Cherokee, with thirty-six weeks of court.

The new districts will be the third, fourth and eighth, and in these judges are to be appointed. New solicitors will have to be appointed in the fourth, sixth and tenth districts.

Weather Report.

Table with 4 columns: Date, A. M., P. M., 9 P. M. Rows for Feb. 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28.

WHAT CONGRESS IS DOING.

In the United States Senate, Feb. 25, an amendment to the army appropriation bill led to a debate on the result of the Swain court-martial during which Senators Ingalls and Conger severely characterized the treatment Gen. Swain has received.

The United States Senate, Feb. 26, passed the legislative appropriation bill substantially as reported from the Senate committee on appropriations. The river bill was then taken up and discussed by Senators Sherman, Beck, Hill and Coke.

The United States Senate, Feb. 27, passed the naval appropriation bill substantially as reported by the Senate committee on appropriations. The remainder of the session was devoted to the consideration of pension bills.

UNIVERSITY APPROPRIATION.

Synopsis of Remarks of Mr. Lovell, of Watauga.

MR. SPEAKER:—I do not intend to trespass upon the time of the House by attempting to make a speech. I only desire to state the reasons which induce me to support this bill.

It is not alone because it is asked for by some of the best men in North Carolina; but, Mr. Speaker, it is because I believe it to be my plain duty. Our old forefathers, when they assembled at Halifax Court House to form our first Constitution, made no mistake when they enjoined upon their descendants the erection and support of a University.

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STATE TOPICS.

Work has begun on the Spartanburg and Asheville R. R.

Shelby is agitated over the question of buying a \$300 town clock.

The Y. M. C. A. of the State, will meet in Asheville on the 12th.

Edward Kidder, aged 80, a prominent merchant of Wilmington, is dead.

Work will be begun on the Gaffney & Rutherford Railroad on the 1st of April.

The daily Raleigh "Chronicle" has suspended. The excellent weekly will be continued.

Geo. M. Smedes, a prominent young lawyer of Raleigh, died in Anson county on the 22d ultimo.

A bill has been passed by the Legislature prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors in Buncombe county except in Asheville.

The Legislature of North Carolina has made it a misdemeanor to practice medicine without a license from the State board of examiners.

One of the last acts of President Arthur was to increase the number of revenue districts in North Carolina from two to three to be known as the 4th 5th and 6th.

Several military companies, among them the Charlotte Riflemen, and many private citizens from all parts of the State left Monday for Washington. Such a jam and a crowd as there will be there today! Next week we will publish a list of the cabinet.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Superior Court, Caldwell County.

W. T. Lenoir vs. Sarah D. Lenoir, Walter C. Lenoir, George W. Allison and wife Mary Ellen, William E. Lenoir, John E. Lenoir, Branch and wife Melissa, Julia B. Church, F. T. Russell and wife Myra Carolina, Thomas Russell and wife Martha Louisa, and Sister S. Lenoir.

Petition for sale for partition.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that all of the above named defendants are residents of this State, and that the ordinary process of the Court by summons cannot be served upon them, it is therefore ordered that publication be made for six consecutive weeks in The Lenoir Topic, a newspaper published in the town of Lenoir, Caldwell county, N. C., commanding the said defendants above named, to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court in Lenoir, Caldwell county, N. C., on the 1st day of April, 1885, there and there to answer or demur to the complaint of the Plaintiff.

Respectfully,

Administrators Notice.

North Carolina—Caldwell County.

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator of A. B. Kent, do hereby notify all persons claiming debts against his estate to present the same for payment or that notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. And notice is also given to all persons indebted to said estate forthwith to call upon the Administrator and pay the same.

H. M. KENT, Adm'r.

A. A. KENT, Adm'r.

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