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Some Startling Facts About the Vices of Intemperance. What a Murderer Said.

"Prisoner at the bar, have you anything to say why sentence of death should not be passed upon you?"

A solemn hush fell over the crowded courtroom, and every person waited in almost breathless expectation for the answer to the judge's question.

The judge waited in dignified silence, and the situation had become painfully oppressive, when the prisoner was seen to move, his head was raised, his hands were clinched and the blood had rushed into his pale care-worn face.

Suddenly he arose to his feet and in low, firm but distinct voice said: "I have! Your Honor, you have asked me a question, and now I ask, as the last favor on earth, that you will not interrupt my answer until I am through. I stand here before this bar convicted of willful murder of my wife. Truthful witnesses have testified to the fact that I was a loafer, a drunkard and a wretch; that I returned from one of my prolonged debauches and fired the fatal shot that killed the wife I had sworn to love, cherish, and protect. While I have no remembrance of committing the fearful deed, I have no right to complain or to condemn the verdict of the twelve good men who have acted as jury in the case, for their verdict is in accordance with the evidence.

"But may it please the court, I wish to show that I am not alone responsible for the murder of my wife."

This startling statement created a tremendous sensation. The judge leaned over his desk, the lawyers wheeled around and faced the prisoner, the jurors looked at each other in amazement. The prisoner paused a few seconds, and then continued in the same firm, distinct voice:

"I repeat, your honor, that I am not the only one guilty of the murder of my wife. The judge on this bench, the jury in the box, the lawyers within this bar, and most of the witnesses, including the pastor of the old church, are also guilty before Almighty God, and will have to stand with me before His judgment throne, where we shall all be righteously judged. If it had not been for the saloon in my town, I never would have become a drunkard; my wife would never have been murdered; I would not now be here, ready to be hurled into eternity. Had it not been for these human traps I would have been a sober man, an industrious workman, a tender father and a loving husband. But to-day my home is destroyed, my wife murdered, my little children—God bless and care for them—cast on the mercy of the world; while I am to be hanged by the strong arm of the State. God knows I tried to reform, but as the open saloon was in my pathway my weak, diseased will-power was no match against the fearful, consuming agonizing appetite for liquor. For years I was a sober man. For one year my wife and children were happy and our little home was a paradise. I was on

who signed remonstrances against reopening the saloons of our town. One-half of this jury, the prosecuting attorney on this case, and the judge who sits on this bench, all voted for saloons. By their votes and influence saloons were reopened, and they have made me what I am."

The impassioned words of the prisoner fell like coals of fire upon the hearts of those present, and many of the spectators and some of the lawyers were moved to tears. The judge made a motion as if to stop further speech, when the speaker hastily said:

"No, no, your honor! Do not close my lips; I am nearly through. I began my downward career at a saloon bar legalized and protected by the voters of this town. After the saloons you have allowed have made me a drunkard and a murderer, I am taken before another bar—the bar of justice—and now the law power will conduct me to the place of execution, and hasten my soul into eternity. I shall appear before another bar—the judgment bar of God—and there you, who have legalized the traffic, will have to appear with me.

"Think you that the Great Judge will hold me, the poor, weak, helpless victim of your traffic alone responsible for the murder of my wife. I, May in my drunken, frenzied, irresponsible condition have murdered one, but you have deliberately voted for the saloons which have murdered thousands, and they are in full operation to-day with your consent. You legalized the saloons that made me a drunkard and a murderer, and you are guilty with me before God and man for the murder of my wife. Your honor, I am now done; I am now ready to receive my sentence and be led forth to the place of execution. You will close by asking the Lord to have mercy on my soul. I will close by solemnly asking God to open your blind eyes to your own individual responsibility so that you will cease to give your support to this dreadful traffic."

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Executor's Notice to Creditors.

Having qualified as Executor of the last Will and Testament of P. W. Brown, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said decedent to exhibit the same to the undersigned properly proven on or before the 4th day of April, 1908, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This April 4th, 1908. W. F. Summers, Executor of P. W. Brown.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

A Considerable Quantity of Road Building Being Done. Other Items.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular monthly session Monday with Messrs. Hartman, Harris, Current and Chairman Smoot present.

W. T. Shuffler, J. R. Primeton and H. O. Miller were excused from road duty and poll tax.

Convict camp No. 1, now located near the old Gobbie mill, was ordered after finishing to macadamize three miles on the new Concord road and then go from there to the Sherrill Ford road.

Ordered that 50¢ per yard be paid for rock hauled on the Linton road at established camps and to be paid for when used.

Ordered that C. H. Klutz be appointed a committee to investigate the new bridge and road at Sowers' ferry and report on same.

Chain gang No. 1 was ordered to repair Stokes ferry road beyond town creek.

The taxes on P. O. Shaver's property in Morgan township was reduced from \$600 to \$500.

R. A. Dover was allowed \$1.00 per month for support.

S. H. Elliott was allowed \$25.00 to repair the Wilkesboro road, from the nine mile to fork's of road at blacksmith shop.

Mrs. Patterson, keeper of the County Home, reported 14 inmates, 10 whites and 4 colored.

Supt. Hartley reported 82 convicts in his camp, 10 white and 22 colored, all in good health.

Supt. Carter reported 28 convicts in his camp, 2 white and 26 colored, all in good health.

Ordered that Jno. Rinehart be employed as blacksmith and machinist at Camp No. 2, at \$50.00 per month.

Ordered that the road supervisor in Cleveland township be authorized to open a road around Roseman's pasture instead of through, as this is on higher ground and will make a better road.

Mrs. Alice Joyner was allowed \$4.00 for burial expenses of Mrs. Bettie Garner.

C. L. Raney was refunded his poll tax.

Dr. C. M. Poole was paid \$25.00 for rock hauled by Wm. Hooks.

It was decided to build a dairy at the County Home.

By the request of the Board of Elections, the school election to be held May 16th, at Granite Quarry, was rescinded.

It was decided to leave the matter of macadamizing the Gobbie Mill road, from Spencer to Salisbury avenue, over until next meeting.

Joe Oats and wife were allowed \$4.50 per quarter for support. \$50.00 was ordered paid to the Salisbury Fire Department for the services rendered in saving the court house from destruction by the recent fire.

A. M. Rice, township tax collector, reported having collected \$40,784.54 in taxes and all as paid to the County Treasurer except \$1,859.54.

The former order to open a public road by way of the Vance Mill, was rescinded because right of way could not be obtained.

It was ordered that a road be opened from the Wilkesboro road about the three-mile post, through the Geo. Fink Farm, Belmont Land Co.'s property by way of the Fair Ground, to the new Mocksville road, provided the petitioners open road, build bridges and keep in repairs according to the requirements governing such matters.

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Notice of Application for Pardon.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to Gov. E. B. Glenn, for the pardon of Will Fisher, who was convicted at November term, 1907, of Rowan Superior court, for assault and battery, and sentenced by Judge Justice to two years on the public roads of Rowan county. This March 21st, 1908. ADELAIDE FISHER.

STATE NEWS.

From All Parts of the State. Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

Friday, in Newbern, an unknown negro knocked down Mrs. J. B. Watson when she was within a few feet of her home, and snatched her purse, containing about \$15.

The State Convention of the King's Daughters, which met in Raleigh last Thursday, have decided to provide for the erection of a cottage at the Stonewall Jackson Training School.

The cool weather last week greatly retarded the ripening and gathering of strawberries in the Eastern part of the State.

Stokes Township, of Hamlet, last Thursday accidentally shot and killed Spurgeon Ewing, a colored boy.

Senator Simmons has been prominently mentioned as a candidate for Chairman of the Democratic National Executive Committee. In an interview, however, Mr. Simmons states that he is not a candidate.

In the municipal election, Thursday, at Fayetteville, a bond issue of \$100,000 was voted for the purpose of paving the streets.

Night riders, last Sunday night destroyed the tobacco plant beds of O. Fishel, a prominent farmer of Friedberg in Davidson county.

Within the next two months the Seaboard Air Line will spend upwards of \$200,000 for the improvements of its terminal at Wilmington. Three mammoth warehouses will be built fronting the river so that the largest vessels may be unloaded at a minimum expense.

A great prohibition rally was held in Charlotte last Sunday afternoon. Gov. Glenn and Dr. H. W. Battle, of Kinston, were the speakers. They had more than three thousand hearers.

Work has been resumed on the Blewitt Falls water-power development near Rockingham, after a suspension of several months. This is the second largest water power in the State, and when the plant is completed it will furnish the electricity for a large number of varied industries.

The order which had been agreed upon by the officers of the Southern to have all of the conductors running South from Washington lie over in Salisbury, instead of Charlotte, has been withdrawn. This was done because of a disagreement over salaries between the conductors and the railroad.

The Commencement exercises of Oxford Seminary will occur on May 17th and 18th. Rev. R. P. Kerr, of Baltimore, will preach the baccalaureate sermon, and the baccalaureate address will be made by Mr. T. W. Mason, Northampton, Co.

ALL WRONG.

The Mistake is Made by Many Salisbury Citizens.

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Partition Sale of the Chunn Lands in Franklin Township.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Rowan County in the special proceeding entitled "Sallie E. Chunn and others vs. T. E. Bingham and others" the undersigned Commissioner will expose at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in Salisbury, N. C., on

Monday, the 1st day of June, 1908, at 12 o'clock, m., the following described real estate in Franklin township and Rowan county to-wit:

First Tract—Known as the school house tract, adjoining the lands of Henry Monroe, M. D. Simerson, J. L. Couble and others, and containing 8 1/2 acres, more or less.

Second Tract—On the west side of the Mocksville road, in the front of old Chunn house, adjoining Henry Monroe and others, containing 3 1/2 acres, more or less.

Third Tract—Known as the Chunn residence tract, on east side of Mocksville road, adjoining the lands of Jas. A. Hudson and others, and containing 100 acres, more or less, on which is located dwelling house, tenant house and other buildings.

Fourth Tract—Lying west of the lands of Jas. A. Hudson, and between the roads leading to the Hudson house, containing 2 1/2 acres, more or less, and a house and barn.

Fifth Tract—Lying between the road from James Hudson's to Salisbury and the Yadkin river, adjoining the lands of L. A. Wagner and others, containing 115 acres, more or less, partly river bottom.

Sixth Tract—Lying up the river from the fifth tract, adjoining lands of Jas. A. Hudson and others, containing 115 1/2 acres, more or less, partly river bottom.

All of said lands being known as the home place and adjoining lands of M. L. Chunn and Carolina Chunn. For information or description see map posted at court house door or apply to the undersigned. Two or more of said tracts may be sold collectively if found to be advantageous.

This the 25th day of April 1908. RICHARD L. THOMASON, Com. B. B. Miller, Atty.

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