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## RALEIGH LETTER

Seed Cotton Law- Assignments- Solicitor's Bill- New Counties- Legalized Homicide- Interest Bill- The Railroad Commission- Tax on Dogs.

A bill was a short time ago introduced in the House to regulate the sale of seed cotton throughout the State. It provided that all sales should be made in the presence of a credible witness whose names should be recorded by the purchasers. The bill was reported unfavorably and was tabled.

The bill to regulate assignments passed the Senate but was tabled in the House and the law remains unchanged.

The bill changing the manner of paying solicitors, giving them salaries instead of fees occasioned much discussion in the House. The committee reported it favorably but recommended that the salaries be made two thousand dollars instead of eighteen hundred as the Senate had fixed them. It failed to pass its second reading in the House.

A bill has passed the House giving magistrates jurisdiction in assaults with deadly weapon where no damage is done.

The committee on counties, cities and towns has had before it a proposition to create the new county of Richlands out of a portion of Beaufort county. The committee at first reported unfavorably but at the request of the member from Beaufort agreed to report it without prejudice. It came for action Thursday, and after considerable discussion passed its second reading. The next day when it came up on its third reading it failed. There is now pending a proposition to create a new county to be called Alliance out of portions of Northampton, Bertie and Hertford. It is hardly probable that it will pass.

One of the most serious pieces of legislation which has been attempted this session was a bill to make justifiable the killing of man for seduction of a married woman. There was considerable discussion over this novel measure, but it was defeated. Such a law is not needed in North Carolina. No man is in danger of being hung for murder under such circumstances, and besides such a law would have opened the way for many abuses. The bill was reported favorably by the judiciary committee.

Among the more important bills which have been killed is that of Senator Williams of Pitt to reduce the rate of interest to six per cent. Senator Williams has been advocating this measure for some years and when he saw the determined opposition to it he naturally felt sore about it and made statements which provoked an acrimonious debate. The truth is the Senator has been unwell for some time and was not exactly himself, but there has been no permanent ill feeling engendered. A number of counties asked to be excepted from the operation of the law and the vote on the amendment to exclude these counties was a tie. Lieut. Governor Holt cast the deciding vote in favor of the amendment, and of course the bill failed to pass. There could not be one rate in some counties and another rate in others. One or two bills of a similar nature are now pending in the House and they will doubtless fail to pass also.

Wednesday of last week in the House Mr. Pritchard, Republican, offered a resolution instructing the judiciary committee to report a bill providing for letting out the public printing to the lowest bidder. When the resolution came up Friday on special order a motion was made to table and the motion was carried. Mr. Pritchard demanded the ayes and noes, but the demand was not sustained. He then moved to reconsider but this motion was also tabled. He was trying to make capital out of it. It looks rather strange that a Democratic paper should furnish ammunition for Republican guns.

The Senate accepted all the amendments made by the House to the railroad commission bill except that which provided that under certain conditions railroads should pay three times the value of stock killed and the bill is now in the

hands of a conference committee. It is probable that the House will recede from this amendment, as soon as the bill is completed I will give your readers a synopsis of it. People are always asking who will be made commissioners, but no one has been able to answer this question. Nor will it be known with any degree of certainty until the caucus settles the matter. That will be done within a few days after the bill is finally completed.

A bill to tax dogs has been reported favorably by the finance committee. The report was not unanimous but by a majority. It places a tax of fifty cents on each male and one dollar on each female dog to be paid annually to the register of deeds who is to give the person paying the tax a license. Under this bill license is not required for dogs kept within enclosures. The tax goes to the school fund of the several counties.

## TRANSPLANTING HEARTS

A WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT WHICH A MEXICAN PHYSICIAN CLAIMS TO HAVE ACCOMPLISHED.

Rufugia Gutierrez, a resident of the City of Mexico, is here on a mission which will interest the entire medical world. He is a friend of Dr. R. Raphael Martinez, a physician of the City of Mexico, and is a guest at the Hotel America.

Senor Gutierrez makes some remarkable statements, a few of which will, without demonstration, be taken literally by medical men of this city. Dr. Martinez, he states, has for years made a specialty of the circulation of the blood and in his researches claims to have experimented successfully in a most extraordinary manner. Senor Gutierrez has the reputation of being entirely trustworthy. In consequence, anything he says carries with it much weight.

A reporter of the Daily Continent talked to the senior at his house yesterday. He is tall and swarthy, with a full, open countenance and piercing black eyes.

"You will, perhaps, hardly credit me," he began, as his fingers were busy rolling a cigarette, "but Dr. Martinez has taken the heart from one animal and placed it in another, and vice versa. Strange to say, no disagreeable effects were noticeable, and the animals, on recovering from an anesthetic, were as well, apparently, as ever."

Senor Gutierrez went on to say that Dr. Martinez had experimented successfully with cats and dogs, and would soon take the heart from a cow and place it in the body of a bull.

Dr. Martinez is so enthusiastic that he has petitioned the Mexican government to give him two criminals now under sentence of death. The offer is under consideration, and a reply to his request is expected in a few weeks.

"If Dr. Martinez secures permission to use the men," continued Senor Gutierrez, he will show the medical world that he can do all he claims. He will, through a process which is yet a secret, transfer the hearts of men, one to the other, and without the slightest injury to either. The American as well as the European medical world will be notified of the date of the experiment. The whole matter will be carried with all the publicity possible, so that science and humanity may be benefited."

If Dr. Martinez's experiments prove successfully he will have accomplished a scientific feat thought to be impossible by all learned physicians. Certainly if all he claims can be demonstrated, his fame will be much greater than that of Dr. Koeb's, or any other medical man who has ever lived.

News from the City of Mexico and the experiments of Dr. Martinez will be awaited in this city with more than ordinary interest. The Spanish doctor will receive all the assistance required, and a movement is now on foot to raise a fund to enable him to carry on his experiments.—New York Continent.

Shiloh's Cure will immediately relieve Croup, Whooping Cough and Bronchitis. For sale by W. M. Cohen.

## TWO CONVERTS.

THE OLD MAN WANTED TO SHOW HOW HAPPY HE WAS AND WHAT CAUSED IT.

"Bill Arp" writes as follows on the Rev. Sam Jones: "He says that once he was preaching in a Western town and had got wrought up in his feelings and was going along tender and pathetic in his appeal to sinners, when an old man got up and stretched forth his hand and said: 'Brother Jones, Brother Jones, stop a minute—just a minute. I just want to shout a little and say, Bless God, I'm happy on the way. Yes, happy on the way.' And he sat down, shaking and sobbing with joy.

"Sam paused for the affecting scene to lend its influences to his preaching, and then said to the old man: 'Well, my brother, don't you feel now like you had lost that fifty odd years of your life that you spent in sin?'

The old man rose up again and said: 'Well no, Brother Jones, not exactly. I can't say that. I wasn't as happy as I am now, but I did have a power of fun.'

"On another occasion, while a revival was going on, Sam observed an old man in the congregation who seemed to be much affected, and going to him he asked if he felt that his sins were all forgiven. The old man rubbed his eyes with a red bandana and murmured: 'Not all, Brother Jones, not all; but I think a majority of 'em.'"

## SHE SAVED HER BABY.

THE HEROISM OF A YOUNG MOTHER AND A THRILLING RESCUE.

During a small tenement house fire on the east side this week there was a thrilling incident that was not chronicled at the time. It occurred at a rear window in the second story. The flames had been extinguished with trifling damage, but the house was full of smoke.

Suddenly a woman tottered to the open window. In her arms she held a bundle tightly clasped to her bosom. It was in white wrappings. Quickly the crowd of people in the yard below saw the woman. Great clouds of smoke whirled about her head in suffocating volumes, and the crowd called upon her to jump.

She hesitated, but extended the bundle at arm's length, from which at that moment there came a faint cry. It was a baby's voice.

"Save my child!" implored the woman.

Instantly a blanket was procured and strong men held its corners.

"Drop it!" they shouted.

With her face averted the agonized and imperiled mother let the baby fall. Down the little one fluttered like a white winged wounded bird, with the despairing cry of "Mamma" upon its lips. Lightly it struck the blanket, and a moment later it was taken up safe and sound, but sobbing, by a motherly-looking woman in the throng.

It required but a few minutes to raise a ladder and rescue the self-sacrificing mother from her perilous position and restore her dimpled darling to her arms.

This touching rescue was loudly cheered by the sympathetic spectators.—New York Herald.

An Attractive Combined **POCKET ALMANAC** and **MEMORANDUM BOOK** advertising **BROWN'S IRON BITTERS** the best Tonic, given away at Drug and general stores. Apply at once.

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## GOV. HILL'S POPULARITY.

GEN. SICKLES STATES SOME OF THE REASONS FOR IT—NEW YORK'S DELEGATION WILL BE SOLID FOR HILL.

The Washington Post has interviewed General Daniel Sickles:

When asked what he thought of Henry Watterson's letter to Gov. Hill the general bristled up and demanded to know what right the fiery Kentuckian had to tell Gov. Hill that he should not be a presidential candidate if he chose to be.

"I doubt very much if such a letter as Watterson alleges to have sent to Gov. Hill was ever written. I think Watterson must have dreamed that he had written the letter."

"If he did write such a letter he certainly had no right to do so," continued the general. "Why should Watterson or any other man put himself up as the leader of the Democratic or any other party. This is a free country, and if Governor Hill feels like being a presidential candidate he has a perfect right to do so without consulting Mr. Watterson."

"Will Hill be a candidate for the presidency?" was asked.

"That depends entirely upon circumstances," said Gen. Sickles. "So far as I know, he is not now a candidate, but may be if the emergency arises. Why should New York have two candidates for that office, or for that matter, have one? She has furnished the Democratic nominee for the past twenty-five years, and from the way the political clouds are drifting it looks as though New York will not get the next Democratic nominee."

"Then Cleveland and Hill are both out of the race," suggested the writer.

"Well, that depends entirely upon circumstances. I can say this much on that subject: Gov. Hill will have the entire delegation to the next national convention."

"Yes, indeed," chimed in Gen. Spaulding, the old Democratic wheelhorse of the New York delegation in Congress, who was present during the conversation. "Cleveland will not have one delegate out of the entire crowd. The delegation will be a unit for Hill and will stand by him until the last gun is fired, if he goes into the fight."

"Is Cleveland popular in New York?"

"Yes, with a certain class of people," replied Gen. Sickles. "He has a mortgage on the Mugwump element all over New England, but Gov. Hill has the 'call' on the rank and file of the New York democracy."

"What is the secret of Hill's popularity?"

"Well, to begin with, he has the courage of Jackson and the adroitness and cleverness of Van Buren. With those two qualifications any man must necessarily be popular. The people admire a courageous man above all others."

"Is Hill as hostile to Cleveland as the papers says he is?"

"That question I can only answer by asking why should he be?" said the old veteran. "Hill has the people of his own State back of him, and everything he asks of them he can get, and there is no reason why he should be eternally planning to kill off Cleveland in order to pave his own way to greatness. He is the most popular man in New York today by long odds."

"What effect will Cleveland's silver letter have upon his presidential possibilities?"

"It has made him popular with the business men of New York and the New England States, but has hurt him in the South and West. It was a manly courageous utterance, but at the same time I think it was a trifle injudicious and unwise. If Mr. Cleveland thinks he is a bigger man than his party and is going to be its only leader he was probably right in doing what he did, but if he expects to become the candidate of the Democratic party, and stand upon its platform, he certainly made an unwise utterance. No man is greater than his party. The people of this country will not follow one man—he must follow them."

## A TIME FOR ALL THINGS.

THE OLD MAN THOUGHT THE JUDGE WAS GIVING HIM CHESTNUTS.

It became the solemn duty of a Texas Judge to pass sentence on an aged man named George Bliss for stealing a hog.

"It is a shame that a man of your age should be giving up his mind to hog-stealing. Do you know any reason why sentence should not be pronounced on you according to law?"

"Now, Judge," was the reply of the aged sinner, Bliss, "this is getting to be a trifle monotonous. I would like to know how a fellow can manage to please you judges. When I was only seventeen years old I got three years, and the judge said I ought to be ashamed of myself to be stealing at my age. When I was forty I got five years, and that judge said it was a shame that a man in his very best years should steal. And now, when I am seventy years of age, here you come and chew over the same old story. Now, I would like to know what year of a man's life is the best one, according to your notion, to begin a life of crime!"

The judge told Bliss that if he wanted legal advice he had better consult with some lawyer, and then passed the usual sentence of five years.

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## DISSOLUTION.

The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Day, Zollieffer and Ransom at Weldon, N. C., and Day and Zollieffer at Henderson, N. C., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Messrs. Day and Ransom will continue the practice of law at Weldon, N. C., and Mr. A. C. Zollieffer at Henderson, N. C. Thanking the public for their kindness to the firm we ask a continuance of the same for the individual members. This February 10th, 1891. W. H. DAY, A. C. ZOLLIEFFER. 2-12-4w.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### LAND -:- SALE.

By virtue of the power conferred upon me by a mortgage deed made by James H. McGee and his wife Agnes McGee bearing date the 30th day of October 1881, and recorded in the Registers office for Halifax county in book 72, page 495, I shall on the 6th day of April 1891, that being the first Monday in said month, proceed to sell at public auction, at the court house door in the town of Halifax to the highest bidder FOR CASH, the tract of land described in said mortgage. Said tract is about three miles from Weldon and on the road leading from Weldon to Gaston, containing two hundred acres, more or less. This land is sold to pay the amount due on two notes given by said McGee and wife, and for which the said mortgage was made to secure. This 20th day of February 1891. E. I. THOMAS, Mortgagee.

2-26-tds.

### SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Whereas on the 4th day of February 1891, a decree was made in the cause of Edward T. Clark, as administrator of Eliza N. Edmunds against W. C. Powell directing the administrator to sell the lands of the late Eliza N. Edmunds to make assets. Now, therefore in pursuance of said decree, I shall on the first Monday of April (6th day of the month) sell at public auction to the highest bidder that tract of land situated in Halifax county, which is described in the special proceeding for partition entitled—W. C. Powell and Augusta T. Powell his wife and Eliza N. Edmunds an infant under twenty-one years of age, suing by her mother and next friend M. W. Edmunds, ex parte determined in the Superior court of said county on the 15th day of December 1882, to-wit: Lot No. 1, on which is located the dwelling house containing one hundred and forty acres beginning at W. M. Perkins' corner on path leading from Ebenezer to Edmunds old Chapel, thence running N 7 1/2 E 262' poles to a dogwood, gum, past oak and 2 pines pointers, thence W. 5 3 poles 7 links to an ash on Watery Branch thence up said branch to a large poplar, thence S 7 1/2 W 250 poles to a stake on the aforesaid path thence with said path 86 poles to the beginning.

Also a few pieces of household furniture. TERMS:—One-third cash, residue on 12 months time, bond with approved security, bearing 8 per cent. interest from day of sale. EDWARD T. CLARK, Adm'r. of E. N. Edmunds.

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NORTH CAROLINA, HALIFAX COUNTY, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

A. C. ZOLLIEFFER, AGAINST TODD JOHNSON, SAM JOHNSON, HAMP JOHNSON AND PETER JOHNSON. SUMMONS.

The defendants Todd Johnson, Sam Johnson and Hamp Johnson are notified that a petition for the sale of certain real estate to-wit: a small tract of land near Weldon, N. C., for partition, has been filed in this office.

And they are hereby summoned to be and appear before the clerk of the Superior court at his office in the town of Halifax county and State aforesaid, on Monday the 6th day of April 1891, and answer or demur to the petition which has been filed in said office.

And the defendants are also notified that if they fail to appear and answer as above set forth, judgment will be rendered against them as prayed for in said petition.

Witness John T. Gregory, Clerk Superior court of Halifax county, at office in Halifax, N. C. This 11th day of February 1891. JOHN T. GREGORY, Clerk Superior Court

2-19-6w.

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