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LOCAL.

Both the Federal and State Courts adjourned yesterday in honor of the burial of Mrs. Gov. Vance.

We have had a sufficiency of cold weather to denote the near approach of winter. Blessed are those who have their wood laid in for the season.

Our young friend Mr. Theo. S. Morrison has connected himself with the house of Mr. James P. Sawyer, where he would be pleased to see his many friends.

The attendance in town, upon the sessions of the State and Federal courts, is quite large. Both of the courts are being held in the Court-house building the Federal Court occupying the third floor.

The Baptist State Convention met in Charlotte yesterday. The appointments for the occasion were as follows: To preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. A. Munn, of Warrenton; alternate, Rev. J. B. March, of Irredell. Missionary Sermon, Rev. C. E. Taylor, of Wake Forest; alternate, Rev. A. C. Dixon, of Chapel Hill.

The Rev. Mr. Atkins, who has been pastor of the M. E. Church in this place for the past two years, goes back to Abingdon, Va., from which place he came here. Mr. A., by his earnestness in the cause which he serves, and his gentlemanly demeanor, has won for him the love and esteem of his church here, and the respect of the public generally.

The Federal Court, Judge Dick presiding, convened in this place Tuesday morning. About 200 new cases have been docketed for this term, with some 50 cases in the docket before, all of which grew out of illicit distilling. We learn from Solicitor Tuck that nine-tenths of these cases will be submitted under the recent amnesty order from Washington.

THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.—But a little over 200 votes were polled here on Tuesday, these being cast for Gen. Vance. It is evident that but little interest was felt in this district, there being no opposition, and we doubt if more than 35 per cent. of the vote of the district was cast.

MR. JAMES P. SAWYER.—We invite especial attention to the advertisement elsewhere of this gentleman. Mr. Sawyer spent several weeks this fall in the Northern markets, and has selected his stock of goods with great care. Buying at the bottom cash prices, he is determined he will sell goods as low as the lowest.

EXCURSION TO CHARLOTTE.—An excursion train will run from Henry's to Charlotte next Tuesday, the 12th inst., leaving Henry's at 8 A. M., and will leave Charlotte, returning, at 4 P. M. Thursday, giving visitors ample opportunity to attend the Carolina Fair. Fare for the round trip, \$1.00.

A DREADFUL ACCIDENT.—A YOUNG LADY DANGEROUSLY BURNED.—On Sunday morning last, while Miss Emma Kimberly, daughter of Prof. Kimberly, who is at present living at the residence of Major Marcus Erwin, near this place, was engaged in dressing for church, her clothing caught fire, and before the flames could be extinguished the unfortunate young lady was terribly, if not dangerously, burned.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE HOLSTON CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.—The recent session of the Holston Conference made the following appointments for this session:—

- Asheville District, P. S. Kennedy, P. E. Asheville station, J. S. Burnett.
- Weaver circuit, S. S. Weatherly; R. W. Pickett, supernumerary.
- Swannanoa circuit, W. B. Pickett; C. M. James, supernumerary.
- Hendersonville station, S. S. Grant.
- Brevard circuit, W. D. Akers.
- Eden circuit, to be supplied by J. M. Hawkins.
- Sulphur Springs circuit, Jno F. Stover.
- Leicester circuit, W. H. Barnes; J. P. Reynolds and J. H. Robinson, supernumerary.
- Marshall circuit, James T. Smith.
- Burnsville circuit, C. S. Bird.
- Bakersville circuit, W. B. Reese.
- Catawba circuit, W. B. Lyda.
- Franklin District—D. Atkins, Presiding Elder.
- Franklin circuit, M. P. Swain.
- Macon circuit, Geo. A. Maiden.
- Waynesville circuit, M. L. Clendenen.
- Haywood circuit, J. R. Long.
- Weber circuit, Jos. A. Wiggins.
- Asheville circuit, T. P. Darr.
- Murphy circuit, E. H. Boggs.
- Ducktown station and Hiwassee mission, W. C. Carden.
- Charleston and Robinsonville mission, A. Owen.
- Highland mission, Eugene Blake.
- Echoes Indian mission, J. W. Bird.

Warranted Axes at Van Gilder & Haussou's, only 75 cents.

SWANNAHOA COLLEGE.—From the proceedings below it will be seen that our friends in that section are moving in earnest and determined upon success. From what we know of the gentlemen who are most prominent in the matter, we confidently expect them to build an institution of learning that will be the pride of their people and an honor and blessing to the State:

At a meeting of the stockholders of the building to be erected for educational purposes, on the Swannanoa River, November 2d, the meeting was organized by the selection of James Alexander as chairman and A. D. Cooper as secretary. On motion of Col. W. R. Young, the chair appointed three gentlemen as a committee to suggest seven citizens who they thought should be secured a suitable place for the erection of the building contemplated. The committee reported T. K. Brown, A. D. Cooper, J. W. Cogdus, Nat. Atkinson, A. B. Fortune, W. R. Alexander and S. W. Davidson, who were endorsed by the meeting as proper and suitable for the purpose mentioned. Upon motion of Nat. Atkinson, Esq., it was resolved that said committee meet at Pine Grove Church, at 9 o'clock A. M. Tuesday, the 19th of November, for the purpose of undertaking the work of selecting a place for the location of the building, and if any of the committee appointed refuse to co-operate in the matter, that the remainder of the committee be authorized to substitute others in their stead.

Upon motion of Col. W. R. Young, Saturday, the 23d of November was appointed for the meeting of the stockholders, when the organization of the company would be permanently fixed. The Asheville Citizen and Pioneer were requested to publish proceedings. Meeting adjourned.

JAMES ALEXANDER, Chairman.
A. D. COOPER, Secretary.

A BRILLIANT MARRIAGE.—The Raleigh Observer of last Friday has the following account of a marriage in that place, on the evening previous, one of the contracting parties, Miss Merrimon, having a large number of relatives and friends in our midst. Says the Observer: "A great deal of interest for some time has gathered about the marriage in high official life which took place yesterday evening at Edenton Street Methodist Church. The contracting parties were Mr. Leander S. Overman, the accomplished Private Secretary of Governor Vance, and Miss Mary Merrimon, the beautiful daughter of Senator A. S. Merrimon. Flowers of great beauty and in the greatest profusion were thrown over the church, and decorated the pulpit and surroundings. The aisles were arched with evergreens studded with many-hued roses. Wreaths were suspended across the space in front of the pulpit, and from the cross made by these there was swung a marriage bell made of exquisite tube roses.

Solemnities of the rite were performed by Rev. A. W. Margum, Professor at the University and brother-in-law of the groom, and by the Rev. W. S. Black, pastor of the church. The music became the occasion and the appearance of the handsome young couple will long live as a pleasant picture in the hearts of the large crowd of friends that thronged the church to honor the occasion.

The following ladies and gentlemen acted as attendants: W. M. Overman, Charlotte, and Miss Ella Dowd, Charlotte; Edna R. Overman, Salisbury, and Miss Lilly Garner, Raleigh; Dr. H. T. Trantham, Salisbury, and Miss Mamie Lewis, Raleigh; Eugene E. Gray, Raleigh, and Miss Ella Brown, Salisbury; L. C. Bagley, Raleigh, and Miss Carrie Crawford, Salisbury; Branch H. Merrimon, Raleigh, and Miss Nellie Stiles, Greensboro; George M. Smiles, Raleigh, and Miss Lavine Haywood, Raleigh; Millard Mial, Raleigh, and Miss Jennie Wilson, Greensboro; Peter F. Pescud, Jr., Raleigh, and Miss Mary Mordecai, Raleigh; John A. Barfinger, Greensboro, and Miss Bettie Haywood, Raleigh.

The ushers were Messrs. B. B. Lewis, G. T. Foust, Joseph Brown and George Smith.

After the marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Overman, accompanied by attendants, were and friends, drove to the North-Carolina depot, where they took the western bound train. All their friends wish them the happiness that they look forward to so earnestly.

THE KNIGHTS OF HONOR.—The public demonstration of the Swannanoa Lodge, K. of H., at the Court House on Tuesday night, was largely attended. An interesting and highly-instructive address, explanatory of the general workings of the Order, was delivered by Knight J. J. Hill, who was followed by remarks from Brothers H. H. Webb and E. R. Hampton. The occasion will doubtless result in awakening a new interest in the Order in our midst.

ASHEVILLE.

Its Advantages, Attractions and Prospects.

The tobacco interest of this section being destined, in the immediate future, to become a business of both importance and profit to our people, and foreseeing that Asheville is to become a tobacco manufacturing place of no mean proportions, we interviewed

Col. S. C. Shelton,

the pioneer in the introduction of the growth of tobacco in this locality, who gave us the following facts:

"The introduction of the culture of tobacco in Western North Carolina has proved a blessing to the community. Without a money staple, and doing almost without that necessary article, the farming interest had dragged along year after year with little improvement. Little care had been taken to cultivate the grasses, and thousands of acres of forest land were lying idle and were a burden to the owners. To clear these lands and cultivate them in corn was a losing business. In fact, it took about two years of corn crops to pay for the expense of clearing. The tobacco crop at once promised something more remunerative, and also put the lands in splendid condition for wheat and grass. After a few years of up-hill work, the intelligent farmer became convinced of the benefit of this crop; and now our section produces an article equal in other respects, and superior in color, to the celebrated Virginia tobacco. My estimate is that Buncombe and Madison counties produced last year about eight hundred thousand pounds of tobacco. This is only the beginning of the enterprise. Large quantities of this tobacco are shipped to the Virginia markets. In fact, there is only one factory west of the Blue Ridge mountains, and that factory does not consume one-twentieth of the tobacco produced. Now, the question is, why don't others engage in the enterprise and manufacture all the tobacco produced? This would give labor to a great deal of our surplus muscle that wants only a chance to make itself a source of wealth to our country. Furthermore, if the tobacco of Western North Carolina can be shipped to Richmond and other Virginia cities, subjected to a high tariff of freight, and then be manufactured and sold at a profit, why could it not be worked in our own section to greater advantage? Men of experience can readily see the point. Our railroads will soon furnish us transportation to the very market that a great portion of Virginia tobacco seeks for its sale, and several hundred miles less than the Virginia stock has to travel.

Every facility would be extended to those who might see fit to come amongst us and a helping hand be offered.

Miss is the only factory in Western North Carolina, and it might seem strange that I write competition. But there is no truer saying than that "competition is the life of trade," and while it might stimulate me to stronger effort, it would certainly inspire in the producer an energy which he does not now possess, and if a dozen factories were started, the production of tobacco would at once rise to the demand. Very truly,

S. C. SHELTON.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—The following are the appointments for the Asheville circuit of this church for the ensuing year:

- Asheville District—Rev. W. C. Daily, P. E.
- Asheville—Rev. Carroll S. Long.
- Asheville Circuit—Rev. W. Starks.
- Hendersonville circuit—Rev. A. F. Cresswell.
- Waynesville circuit—Rev. T. W. Brown.
- Leicester circuit—Rev. M. W. Broyles.
- Catawba circuit—Rev. D. M. Clayton.
- McDowell circuit—Rev. F. M. Presley.
- Parrottville circuit—Rev. P. H. Reed.
- Webster circuit—Rev. T. J. Dawson.
- Cashy circuit—Rev. D. Richardson.
- Morristown circuit—Rev. T. R. West.
- Mossy Creek circuit—Rev. M. Bewley.
- Rev. C. S. Long, A. B., President of Candler College, Rev. T. F. Robeson, Principal Parrottville High School.

The gains during the past year within this Conference were 4,000, over 700 of which were within the bounds of the Asheville District.

THE SUPERIOR COURT—JUDGE AVERY.—The Fall Term of the Superior Court for this county convened yesterday morning, Judge Avery presiding.

Judge A. charged the Grand Jury and then adjourned the court until 2.30 P. M. in honor of the funeral services of Mrs. Vance.

It gives us pleasure to state that Judge A. has given entire satisfaction throughout the District, and we know the even-handed portion he deals out will win him new honors in Buncombe.

DEATH OF MRS. GOV. VANCE.—The sad announcement reached here last Sunday night of the death of this estimable lady in Raleigh, at 5 o'clock that evening, she having removed to that place about two weeks previous. Her remains came up the Western N. C. R. on a special train, reaching here Tuesday at noon, accompanied by the Governor and his children. Her funeral took place yesterday morning, at 11 o'clock, at the Methodist church, Rev. Dr. Miller, of Charlotte, Mrs. Vance's old pastor, officiating at the special request of the deceased lady. The occasion drew forth a large crowd of our citizens, who deeply sympathize with Governor Vance in this sad affliction.

We are indebted to the Charlotte Observer for the following sketch of Mrs. Vance, and an account of her illness:

"At the close of the services at the First Presbyterian church, Sunday evening, Rev. Dr. Miller announced that since coming into the pulpit he had received a telegram which brought the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. Gov. Vance, in Raleigh, at 5 o'clock. The announcement caused a pang of sorrow to many hearts gathered there, and will be received with universal regret throughout the State; a noble Christian woman has died and her place cannot be easily filled.

Mrs. Harriet Newell Vance was the daughter of Rev. Thomas Espy, a Presbyterian minister, who was a native of Ohio, but married in this State, and preached for several years at Salisbury, where he died and was buried. Her mother was a descendant of the Tate family, one of the oldest in Burke county. Both of her parents died within a short time of each other, leaving her a very young child. She was adopted and raised by Mr. Charles McDowell, a distant relative of her mother's family, who lived in Burke county, about five miles from Morganton. She received most of her education from Rev. John Wilson, a Presbyterian minister, and Miss Gould, a Northern lady, both of whom conducted schools, at different times, in Morganton. Very early in life she professed religion and connected herself with the Presbyterian church, in which faith she died. In the year 1833 or 1834 she was married to Gov. Vance, in the Presbyterian church at Morganton. She is the mother of five sons, all of whom are still living, except the eldest, who died very young and was buried in Asheville.

Rev. Mr. Espy was a bold, fearless expounder of the Truth, and his daughter inherited from him a strength of character and an earnest devotion to the cause of religion which rendered her a most valuable worker in the church. Firm in her convictions of truth she never allowed an opportunity to pass of impressing it upon those around her; always foremost in good works, she was equally devoted to her family—a loving and self-sacrificing wife and mother.

For the last several years, as is known throughout the State, Mrs. Vance has been an invalid and a great sufferer, during all of which time she has borne herself with remarkable fortitude. It has been known for many months that she could not recover, and her friends have watched with painful solicitude the ravages of the disease. Every effort that human aid could command has been made, but nothing could stay the hand of the great destroyer; she sank quietly to rest in the fullest hope of a blessed immortality.

The special train carrying the remains of Mrs. Vance was met at Salisbury by Col. Means, of Gen. Vance's staff; Rev. Dr. Miller, L. S. Overman, the Governor's private secretary, and by David M. Vance, the Governor's son; at Statesville by Mrs. Judge Pearson, Mrs. Louisa Chambers, Mrs. Wm. Allison and Col. W. S. Pearson; at Hickory by J. G. Hall, Esq.; at Morganton by Major and Mrs. J. W. Wilson, Major and Mrs. J. G. Bynum, Mrs. Martha Jones, Mrs. M. M. Chambers, and Miss A. E. Pearson, all of whom accompanied them to the head of the road.

THE MARIETTA AND MURPHY ROAD.—We are pleased to learn that work on this road is progressing most satisfactorily. There remains but three-quarters of a mile of grading to be done between Murphy and the Cherokee line, and this will be finished by the first of April next. Track is being laid on the Georgia end of the line from Marietta to Canton, a distance of 234 miles, and it is expected the trains will be running to the latter place by the first of December after which time a force of 175 hands will be placed on the line from Canton to the North Carolina line, a distance of 65 miles.

PERSONAL.—Captain Marcellus Fagg and family, left this week for Alabama, intending to spend the winter in that State and Texas.

Col. Joseph Howell and family leave this week for Arkansas, where they will spend the winter.

TUESDAY'S ELECTION.

A Solid Democratic Congressional Ticket Elected from North Carolina!

KITCHEN WHIPS OUT THE NEGROES IN THE SECOND DISTRICT!

NEWS FROM OTHER STATES

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CITIZEN.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 6th, 1878. North Carolina all right. Kitchen, Dem., thought to be elected to Congress from the Second District by 500 majority. The Republican majority in this District at last election was 2,000.

Waddell's majority in the Wilmington District reduced.

Davis elected in the Wake District by 2,500 majority. Franklin county gave Davis 1,200 majority. Nothing definite from the first, (Yeates,) District.

Dispatches unintelligible from the North. Tammany is beaten in New York. Talbot, Dem., elected Governor in Massachusetts, beating Beas' Butler. In the hard money State the Democrats lose slightly. The South is all right with probable gains.

Senator Merrimon thinks the House will have about .20 Democratic majority.

Capt. Ashe, Chairman State Democratic Committee, is elated over the result in the State and thinks the National House satisfactorily safe.

There is much rejoicing here over Kitchen's election and Joe Turner's great defeat. The Republicans went largely for Turner.

The New York Legislature is Republican, which re-elects Senator Conklin.

NOT YELLOW FEVER.—It is now well settled that we are to have no yellow fever in upper East Tennessee. This mountain country furnishes no food for that disease. Every section has its own peculiar enemies to contend with, however, and ours at this season of the year seems to be colds and coughs, which, if neglected, runs into consumption and death. Cure your cold with the Great Cough Remedy, Symphix, and consumption need not be feared more in this section than yellow fever.

T. S. MORRISON, formerly of the firm of Morrison & Staples, will now be found with J. P. Sawyer, where he will be glad to see his friends, and having the largest stock in Asheville to select from, will guarantee to sell them bargains, and in all cases sell as cheap as the cheapest.

A COLONY FROM SWITZERLAND.—R. B. Justice and P. M. May, of this city, have just completed a survey of 71,000 acres of land in the counties of Madison, Haywood and Cook county, Tennessee, owned by V. Custiny, Esq., who designs introducing a colony from Switzerland. It is represented as being well adapted for stock raising and vineyards. Some of the finest corn and wheat in the country has been raised on the tract this year.

DIED FROM THE EFFECTS OF LIQUOR.—On Monday, a man named Dawsey, a citizen of Burke county, and formerly superior court clerk for that county, was taken ill in this place and died a few hours afterwards, from the effects of drinking.

DROPPED DEAD.—Mr. W. G. Lyda, aged 71 years, a citizen of Edueyville, Henderson county, dropped dead in the streets of Hendersonville, on Thursday morning last, thought to be caused by heart disease.

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