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NATIONAL DIVORCE LAW.

Within the past few days Governor Glenn received from Governor Pennypacker, of Pennsylvania, a letter urging him to appoint delegates to attend a convention to be held in Washington at an early date for the purpose of memorializing Congress to pass a uniform divorce law for all the States of the Republic.

While Governor Glenn was reading the letter to some of his friends, J. Crawford Biggs, Esq., of Durham, was present in the executive office, and remarked that this movement for a national divorce law should be taken up in connection with a similar movement to be set on foot at the convention of the American Bar Association soon to be held at Asbury Park, N. J. Messrs. Biggs, F. H. Bunker, Clement Manly and A. B. Andrews, Jr., of the North Carolina Bar Association, are to be delegates to the Asbury Park convention, and when Governor Glenn was apprised of that fact, he immediately appointed those gentlemen as delegates to the Washington divorce convention. Governor Pennypacker was so notified.

It is to be presumed that a national divorce law means a national marriage law. A national marriage law to color in matrimonial unions, and as the Southern States prohibit intermarriage of the races the principal part which Southern delegates to the Washington divorce convention will take will be to find out whether the divorce convention expects Congress to pass a general act about divorce without saying what shall be the form and manner of marriage for the people the act proposes to divorce. If the Southern laws prohibiting intermarriage are to be endangered, the South will be pretty apt to fight shy of a national divorce law, yet that is the logical solution of the divorce evil.

COURT'S ADJOURNED

Business of Sessions of July Term Completed Yesterday About Noon

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NEED OF BETTER JAILS.

Governor Glenn Talks of Teaching Ex-criminals—Need of Immigrants.

(Special Star Telegram.)  
Raleigh, N. C., July 29.—Governor Glenn announced to-day his intention to write a superior Court Judge in the State a personal letter calling on them to see that the jails in their respective districts are put in such condition that any prisoner sentenced to be hanged can be kept in the jail of the county in which the prisoner is to be executed, instead of sending him to some other county for safe keeping. He says that the circumstances of the execution of Dan Teashey, in Duplin county, were brutal, and the facts as to what class of labor he was to do, escorted hand-cuffed to Goldsboro station, carried on the train to the nearest station, and driven in an open wagon several miles through the country, with great crowds following. Such practice, says Governor Glenn, is nothing short of brutal.

DARLINGTON AFFAIR

MR. M. C. RAYNOR DEAD.  
Expired Suddenly While on His Work Yesterday, Noon.

Mr. Marshall C. Raynor, a highly respected citizen, a carpenter employed in the Atlantic Coast Line shops and a prominent member of the Odd Fellows fraternity in this city, died suddenly yesterday about noon of an acute attack of heart disease. Mr. Raynor was coming complaining several days, but went to his work yesterday morning as usual. He had started with some of his fellow workmen to give his time to the timkeeper at noon, but suddenly a pallor was seen to come over him and he started to fall. One of his fellow workmen caught him in his arms and shouted for assistance, but the sick man expired instantly.

GRAND JURY REPORT

Completed Its Labors in Superior Court Yesterday and Discharged With Thanks

THE SCOPE IS VERY WIDE

Visit to Various County Institutions and Smallpox Pest House—Condition of Streets and Alleys—Police Should Be Vigilant.

Having completed its labors, the grand jury at the present term of New Hanover Superior, came in yesterday afternoon, made report to His Honor Judge Council, presiding, and was discharged with thanks. The investigation of the jury, judged by the unusual scope of the report, must have been very wide as a number of subjects were treated on the condition of the various county institutions to the city water supply. None of the recommendations of the jury is so important as that the water supply be improved.

MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK ATTACHES FUNDS HERE OF DEFUNCT TRUST COMPANY

Creditors of Oil Company Met Wednesday and Canvassed Situation—C. E. Taylor, Jr., Named as a Trustee.

Through Messrs. Rountree & Carr, attorneys, and upon affidavit of Mr. J. Victor Grainger, agent and cashier, the Murchison National Bank yesterday in the Superior Court here caused to be issued a summons in a suit instituted against the Darlington Trust Company, Darlington, S. C., and a warrant of attachment against the Atlantic National Bank, of this city, for the recovery of such funds of the Darlington concern as are now in the hands of the Atlantic bank. It will be remembered that about ten days ago similar proceedings were brought here by the Third National Bank of Atlanta, which lost something over \$5,000 by the Darlington failure.

CURRENT COMMENT.

If you wish to train your memory carry an umbrella around with you and don't lose it.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

—Engineer Wallace is not saying anything. It is possible, however, that he is silently constructing the largest dam he ever built.—New York Mail.

—The South will be pretty apt to fight shy of a national divorce law, yet that is the logical solution of the divorce evil.—Washington Star.

THE SENTENCES IMPOSED

Willie Jones, for Housebreaking and Larceny, Gets Two Years—Test Case of Volunteer Firemen Will Come Up Later.

The July term of New Hanover Superior Court adjourned yesterday about noon with the passage of sentence upon several defendants convicted earlier in the week and the clearing up of odds and ends on the docket. There will be no court this week and jurors summoned for appearance then need not attend by order of Judge Council. The following sentences were passed yesterday:

MANAGER'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Mr. Simmons Had Arm Caught in Ice Factory Machinery.

Mr. L. H. Simmons, general manager of the Independent Ice factory, narrowly escaped late Thursday afternoon having his right arm torn from his shoulder. A belt on a pulley working one of the deep water pumps at the factory was slipping and Mr. Simmons was applying some dressing to the leather with the hope of making the belt hold. Mr. Morris came out of the engine room and spoke to Mr. Simmons. As he turned to reply to Mr. Morris, he forgot himself and against a brace and jerked the arm out, but not before the muscles were badly torn in the forearm and he was otherwise injured. Dr. A. H. Harris and Dr. T. S. Burbank were hurriedly summoned and dressed the wound. Mr. Simmons was able to be out yesterday but his arm will be in a sling from the injury for some time.

HOT LANGUAGE INDULGED IN

Reported Rupture Between Mayor Waddell and Alderman W. H. Yopp—Gist of the Affair.

Municipal circles were agog yesterday over a reported serious rupture between Alderman W. H. Yopp and Mayor Waddell. It is reported that the two were engaged in a heated conversation in the Mayor's office, in the Odd Fellows building. An investigation of all sorts of rumors regarding the affair, disclosed that the rupture, if such it may be called, was little more than a lively interchange of words concerning the condition of the street in front of Alderman Yopp's house, about which Mr. Yopp charged he had made repeated complaint to no avail. Col. Waddell is quoted as having asked Mr. Yopp why he had not fixed the street himself. He also belittled the charges which Mr. Yopp charged he had made repeated complaint to no avail. Col. Waddell is quoted as having asked Mr. Yopp why he had not fixed the street himself. He also belittled the charges which Mr. Yopp charged he had made repeated complaint to no avail.

GOVERNOR WAS PLEASSED.

Delighted With Entertainment Upon Occasion of Recent Visit Here.

Governor R. B. Glenn was delighted with the entertainment he received upon the occasion of his recent visit to Wilmington and the seaside resorts. Mr. W. B. Cooper, president of the Merchants' Association, yesterday received the following letter from the distinguished chief executive:

POLICE MADE TWO RAIDS

Negro Dens of Vice Being Cleaned Up With View to Stopping Illegitimate Liquor Traffic.

Headed by Chief Williams, Sergeant C. S. Burnett and Acting Sergeant J. Moore, a squad of police this morning, just after the hour of midnight, made a raid upon a negro lodging house kept by Ed. McDuffie, over Brown's pool room, on Second between Market and Princess streets. Seven young negro men and a young negro woman were locked up at the police station as witnesses and defendants in an investigation which the police are making upon complaint that the place has been disorderly and that liquor has been sold there without license and on Sunday. The police raided the place by advancing from the front and rear and posting sentries at all points of outlet. James F. Drey, son of the well known colored tailor of the same name, who keeps a restaurant in the same tier of buildings, was arrested also, upon complaint of respectable people living adjoining that the place has been disorderly at night. The man was with his father as surety and was released. Upon information obtained from those arrested about 1:30 o'clock this morning a part of the same squad of police, headed by Chief Williams, J. Moore, colored, on Water, near Chestnut street. Eleven others were taken into custody there and they were locked up at the police station for the investigation. Delia Davis is charged with selling liquor on Sunday and without license.

PROGRESSIVE NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY.

Gaston is one of the most progressive and prosperous counties in North Carolina. It is refreshing as well as instructive for us to see what progress the counties of our State are making and we are sure the readers of The Star will be both gratified and surprised at the achievements of Gaston. One of the counties on the Catawba river. We get an insight into what is being accomplished there from a booklet entitled "Some Facts About Gaston County, North Carolina," tastefully bound in red and beautiful as to typography. Of course, it contains data about Gaston, compiled in a most interesting and entertaining manner, and it is gotten out to advertise that prosperous county.

Gaston contains 340 square miles of territory, and 34,000 population. The assessed valuation is \$7,953,303, while the realty valuation is about \$16,000,000. Within the county there are 36 cotton mills, operating 226,117 spindles and 4,223 looms, and during the past year there has been a considerable increase in this particular industry. In the size and number of its cotton factories Gaston claims to surpass any other county in the South and we must agree that the county is certainly a hive of industry and logically the theatre of great prosperity. The county has many fine waterpowers, is a splendid agricultural region and one of the most healthful counties in North Carolina. Recently the county issued \$300,000 in bonds for good roads and work is now in progress on an unrivalled road system covering the entire county.

This much we mention to show what some of the communities of our great State are doing in these times of wonderful industrial development. It ought to be a lesson to other counties.

"What can we do to keep so many men from being bachelors?" asks a lady writer in a magazine. We know of nothing that will so effectively and rapidly put them out of business than to present them a chafing dish outfit and one of those nice cabinets that go with it as presents for men who are trying to go through life without a wife.

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DIED WHILE IN BATHING.

Mr. Isaac James, a son of Mr. I. T. James, of Rocky Point, and a brother of Mrs. W. M. Collins, of this city, died while in bathing at Lane's Ferry, in Pender county, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The particulars were not learned beyond the fact that young James was in bathing with a number of companions in a stream near Rocky Point and that he suddenly threw up his hands with the exclamation "My God!" and sank down. It is supposed that he was seized with an acute attack of heart disease, superinduced by the cold water and died almost instantly. Mr. and Mrs. Collins will go up to Rocky Point to attend the funeral to-day.

STOLE HORSE AND BUGGY.

Oliver Wade, a colored youth, was arraigned before the Mayor yesterday charged with the larceny of a horse and buggy from Mrs. Bryant Merritt, at Taylor's Bridge, Sampson county, yesterday a week ago. There were present at the dinner Mrs. Polly Benton, aged 90 years; Mr. Bryant Merritt, aged 87, and Mrs. H. Benton, aged 84, and three being a brother and two sisters. The ages of the three were remarkable indeed, but most remarkable coincidence of all was the weights of the three. After dinner they were weighed by Mr. H. Benton, a scale not seen there being a brother and two sisters. The ages of the three were remarkable indeed, but most remarkable coincidence of all was the weights of the three. After dinner they were weighed by Mr. H. Benton, a scale not seen there being a brother and two sisters.

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