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TELLS OF CRIME

Montague Makes Partial Confession of Crime

TO BE ELECTROCUTED

Nathan Montague Makes Partial Confession of Murder—Says That Two Others Were With Him and That They Entered the House While He Remained Outside.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 17.—Quick work was made of the Nathan Montague case in Oxford yesterday, when he was placed on trial for his life for the killing of Mr. J. L. Saunders, 42 years old, his daughter, Miss Mattie Saunders, 22 years old and his little niece, Irene Overton, only four years of age, which is known to the whole state to be one of the worst in the catalogue of crimes.

Nathan Montague has been at the home of Mrs. Jennie Overton, that day, helping to kill her. Miss Mattie Saunders was there on the same mission, and it must have been at this time that the brute planned the horrible affair. Miss Saunders left for her home about 4 o'clock in company with little Irene Overton, who was going home to spend the night with her.

The negro left Overton's some 15 or 20 minutes after Miss Saunders, and witnesses were introduced to show that he was seen at the Saunders home talking with Mr. Saunders just about dark. It was about 8 o'clock the same night when Mr. Sherman Overton, who lived about 250 yards from the Saunders home, discovered the fire and calling to his son, Moses, and a friend who was spending the night at his house they immediately went to the fire.

The house was burning furiously when the first people arrived, and the heat was so intense that they were unable to enter, nor could they see around the house. When the fire died down search was made of the house and the body of Mr. Saunders was found lying on the floor, between the door and window, and in a horrible condition. The body was so badly burned that it could not be identified, and when asked how they knew it was a human body the witnesses stated that they could tell from the human skull and teeth. The lower limbs and trunk of the body having been entirely destroyed. The next body to be found was that of little Irene Overton, only four years of age, who was spending the night with her Aunt Mattie, and then the body of Miss Mattie Saunders was discovered. All these bodies were in a horrible condition. An investigation was at once begun around the house, and the first signs

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BILL NYE DAY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Joynes Designates Fourth Wednesday in February For Public School Children to Pay Tribute to David Hammett's Memory.

Raleigh, Jan. 17.—Wednesday, February 22, has been appointed by Hon. J. J. Joynes, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, as Bill Nye day in the public schools of North Carolina. A special hour will be set aside on that day for the teachers to read to the pupils a biography of Bill Nye, and a brief program of his writings will be carried out.

Superintendent Joynes has been in correspondence with the Bill Nye memorial committee of the North Carolina Press Association for some time, and the final arrangements were completed today after a conference with Mr. J. P. Cook, treasurer of the committee. The program for use in the schools, embracing the instructions from the state superintendent to the county superintendents and the teachers will be sent out by the committee in duplicate. Incidentally, the movement contemplates voluntary contributions from the school children to the Bill Nye memorial fund, which is to be applied to the erection of a handsome building at the Statewell Jackson Manual Training school at Concord. Every child in the state attending a public school will be asked to bring one penny or more on Thursday following Bill Nye day, which will be applied to this purpose.

Superintendent Joynes is taking most kindly interest in this great movement, and has responded nobly to the petitions of the committee, a co-operation which is heartily appreciated by the committee, as well as all the editors of the state, who are deeply interested in the memorial cause.

A Fine Effort.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—(Special to Daily News.)—The population of Washington township outside of the city of Washington as taken by the thirteenth census is 1615. The twelfth census was 239 and the eleventh census, 850.

The Special Sales.

The different special sales now going on in the city by the different merchants is being largely patronized.

The Alabama Legislature will find time hanging idle on its hands. By some strange turn of events it will re-elect Senator Bankhead without opposition.

In waiting for county seat honors, Fountain Inn appears to be the High Point of South Carolina.

PATRONIZE THE OYSTER SUPPER

On Thursday and Friday nights of this week there will be an oyster supper given in the vacant store of the Blount building for the benefit of the Volunteer Hose Company. The proceeds are to go towards paying for their horse, etc. This is a worthy cause and should be liberally patronized.

The members of this company always respond generously at the fire alarm and their efforts should be appreciated by the citizens doing what they can to aid them in their undertaking.

The Daily News hopes the supper will be liberally patronized for it is deserving.

RICH TREAT AWAITS US

The Daughters of the Confederacy are indeed fortunate in the selection of these orators for the celebration of Gen. Robert E. Lee's birthday at the public school auditorium tomorrow evening.

Hon. H. S. Ward who has been solicitor of this judicial district for the past six years and an honored citizen of Washington has consented to make the address on the life and character of the great Southern chieftain. The mere announcement within itself assures the success of the occasion. Mr. Ward needs no introduction to a Washington audience as a speaker and thinker and all who hear him on tomorrow night will be amply repaid.

He is original in thought and what he will have to say will be out of the ordinary. It will pay every resident to be present. A great thinker is to handle a great man. Notice the program of the evening elsewhere in today's News.

Is Improving.

The many friends of Mr. Thomas Bland who is confined in the Fowle Memorial Hospital suffering with his eyes, will be glad to learn that his condition is much better today.

Prayermeeting.

There will be prayermeeting services in all the different churches of the city this evening at the usual hour to which the general public is cordially invited.

No Cases in Mayor's Court.

There were no cases before the mayor this morning or yesterday at the city hall for trial. This speaks well for the department of Washington.

Don't get the idea under your hat that a man is great because he happens to be in the limelight.

STATE LEGISLATURE MEETING IS POSTPONED

Dull Session in Both Branches on Yesterday

NO MATTERS OF MOMENT

The Calendar in the House Cleared Up in an Hour's Time—Bill for Administration Building is Introduced by Boyden in the Senate—Many Local Measures.

Raleigh, Jan. 17.—A bill was offered for the purpose of equalizing the pay of clerks in all departments of the state, thus to prevent much heart burning.

Representative Jettie has prepared a measure to relieve the Soldiers Home from objection by providing that qualified men provide for the support of old veterans at home.

House Session.

To prevent depredations of domestic fowls. (Unfavorable.)
To provide for registration of polls and surveys. (Resisted with substitution.)
To prohibit state and federal officers accepting fees against state with amendment.
To amend road law.
To amend law of Scotland county.

Senate.

Belamy of Brunswick: In favor of pensions for widows of Confederate veterans. Committee on pensions and Soldiers Home.
Belamy of Brunswick: Appropriate funds for relief of southern women. Pensions.

The following bills were received from the house and referred:
Relative to the state agricultural society.
Relative to hiring another's servant.
Relative to game.
Change name of Baptist University for Women to Meredith College. Sent to the house for concurrence.
Fix boundary line of two school districts in Beaufort County. Enrolled for ratification.

Snow.

Snow began falling here yesterday afternoon and continued until far in the night. It is about two inches on level.

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On account of the inclemency of the weather on last evening the mass meeting scheduled to have been held in the courthouse was postponed until next Friday night. While there were quite a number present at the hours named the committee decided after wrestling with the matter to postpone the meeting until a more propitious time and Friday night has been selected.

The same program as advertised for last evening will be carried out at that time and every body in Washington cordially invited.

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HEAR THE TRIO TO-NIGHT

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This is the song that is featured by Miss Glaser in "The Girl and the Kaiser," the musical play in which she is starring. Music stores charge more for this song alone than several Sunday Worlds with song included would cost. Sunday Worlds would always be ordered in advance. The demand for them is great and they go quickly. Music by arrangement with T. B. Harris and Day & Hunter.

Age of the Big Trees.

An age as great as 5,000 years has sometimes been ascribed to the giant trees of California. The latest figures seem to indicate that such estimate is very much exaggerated. One investigator, who counted with great care the rings of a tree felled in 1893 and which was fully 34 or 35 feet in diameter, so that its stump served as the foot of a dancing pavilion, states that the rings numbered 1,147 and that that number would represent the age of the tree in years. This authority gravely doubts whether any of the existing trees approach the age of 2,000 years. — New York Press.

Ever notice how narrow minded a chesty man is likely to be?

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Thomas and Shaw.

Introduction of Speaker by Mr. John H. Bonner.
Address—Hon. Hallett S. Ward.
Quartette, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," Shaw, Potts, L. and E. Stewart.
Hymn "Nearer My God to Thee" Choir.
Solo—Miss Wright.
Carolina—Choir and children of Confederacy.
Benediction—Rev. Nathaniel Harding.
The exercises will be announced by Rev. W. H. Call.
A cordial invitation is extended to the veterans and citizens of the town and county to be present and enjoy this inspiring occasion.

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