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TO OUR READERS

With this issue of THE TIMES our readers will see that it comes under new management, Mr. Pittman, formerly of the Spithill Herald, has purchased Mr. Young's interest in the paper and it will now be published and run by Grantham & Pittman.

We hope to try to give to the friends and patrons of the paper a sheet worthy of their support and we want everybody to feel that it is an enterprise in which they have an interest. We propose to advocate the best principles for the improvement of our town and county and we ask the support of the town and county.

As to the political policy of the paper it is useless to refer, for the people of old Harnett know full well where I stand. The three years that I was before you at the helm of this paper I stood for Democracy, and so long as its principles are right and just, as I think they are, there will I be found fighting for. In making our bow, we thank the friends of the paper for their past favors, and ask them to stand by us in the future and we will give you a Paper of which you will be proud of.

Yours Respect, GRANTHAM & PITTMAN.

On next Wednesday, the 9th inst., the North Carolina Legislature convenes and we expect it will be run on a cheap plan as the Populists all favor a reduction in taxes and are opposed to appropriating money for anything. You bet not one of the Republican or Pop members will refuse his full salary though, when pay day comes. We Democrats will have to make our demands and if they don't give us what we want, they shall not go there again to make laws.

JAMES H. YARBOROUGH of Lenoir County, N. C., was found dead in his room at the Park Hotel in Raleigh on Christmas morning. He was a man of some prominence and well connected and was doing well in the insurance business. He was in Raleigh on business for the company, and was drinking some the night before his death. The supposition was that he smothered to death.

THE TIMES returns thanks to Senator Jarvis for a copy of the Congressional Directory which contains a various amount of information about the different members of Congress and the different committee's etc.

Gov. Carr, on the 27th Dec., appointed ex-Senator W. L. Williams, of Little River Academy, a delegate to the Cotton Growers Protection Association, which is to be held in Jackson, Miss., Jan. the 9th.

In our next issue we will give brief sketches of our present U. S. Senators and each week we will give sketches of the congressmen until all from this State are mentioned.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Special Correspondence of Central Times. Washington, D. C., Dec. 29th, 1893.

Christmas day here was comparatively mild, but since then a snow storm has been raging which originated in a regular blizzard. At the present date the snow is frozen over the asphalt pavements making sleighing delightful and walking dangerous. Mrs. Cleveland attended Christmas Eve services at historic St. Hon's Church, as has been the custom with Presidents since the days of Monroe.

There was such a fight made for the receivership of the First National Bank of Wilmington by Judge Allen's friends that the Comptroller told me that Senator Ransom pleaded for it. Mr. Ricard as if the appointment was a State issue, The Comptroller said that Judge Allen was his choice, but I assume that for the next two months Senator Ransom will control the patronage in North Carolina, Judge Allen's friends made the mistake of having Senator Jarvis present his claims to the Comptroller. It is really a very small matter and Judge Allen was not particularly anxious about it. In fact, he could not have accepted it but for the fact that he was suddenly overwhelmed by the late Waterloo in North Carolina.

Hon. Thomas Settle and party have returned from their Christmas hunt in North Carolina. He says the settlement of the public printing question at Raleigh will largely determine the long term in the Senate. If Marion Butler's paper gets the printing he will not get the long term. There is a free fight for all on the short term. I think Mr. Settle is mistaken. Governor Carr, told me last week that nothing short of death would keep Marion Butler out of Senator Ransom's seat in the United States Senate.

Mrs. Cleveland will not go out much this winter for good and sufficient reasons of her own with which the public has nothing to do.

The Phi Kappa Sigma, the Alpha Tau Omega and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Societies have been in session here for the past three days and go home to-day.

Frank Phopus, youngest son of the late Harrison Phoebe, eloped with Miss M. M. Johnston of Washington, and they were married in Washington at the residence of his brother yesterday.

John Burns, M. P., the famous labor leader is in the city. There will certainly be an extra session of Congress unless a satisfactory financial bill is passed.

Mrs. Blaine has sold her house here on LaFayette Square. A magnificent theatre will be erected on it.

Mr. James G. Blaine, Jr., is in this city. He is attending the law department of the University of Virginia and hopes to complete his studies next summer.

RANSOM'S GREAT CAUCUS SPEECH.

The prominent part played by Senators Daniel and Ransom in the Democratic Senatorial caucuses has caused much comment among the national legislators of both parties. The mere fact that Senator Daniel's proposition to apply closure received so little support in no way brings criticism upon him. Senators generally say that he acted handsomely throughout the agitation, and when he found his party associates were against him, he withdrew his resolution in a most courteous manner, and decided to bow gracefully to the will of the majority.

Many of the North Carolinians regret that the great speech of Senator Ransom could not have been made publicly instead of behind closed doors in a party caucus. His effort is the talk of the day. He was very effective in his opposition to applying gag laws to the Senate, and what he said is much to do with bringing about the final result in the caucus.

One of the North Carolina members of the House said to-day: "The people of our State will ever have the highest admiration and regard for Senator Ransom, and Democrats down my way will never cease to regret that the recent landslide will restore him to the Senate. The high praise accorded his remarks before the caucus will greatly please his friends in the State, and you will find that the people of the South generally will applaud General Ransom for insisting on standing by a set of rules which, forty or fifty years ago the Republican force still." -Richard D. Diaper.

WARREN CARVER, the only candidate for the U. S. Senate from Cumberland county, don't seem to be in much. Everybody talks about Marion Butler, Matt. Wasser, Harris and others.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

Those people who believe that fusion or coalition can stand long, or permanently benefit any party that adopts it are invited to study the history of coalition in Wyoming. In 1892, the Democrats fused with the Populists. The bargain was that the Democrats should vote for Populist Presidential electors, and the Populists support the Democratic candidate for Governor. It succeeded, the fusionists casting 9,290 votes to the Republicans 7,509.

This year, the three parties went it alone. Result, The Republicans increase their vote, receiving 10,149. The Democrats polled 6,965 and the Populists 2,176. The Republicans had a clear majority over both.

History repeats itself. North Carolina Republicans did this year what Wyoming did in 1892. The Wyoming Democrats sowed party weakness abandonment of principle in 1892. In 1894 they reaped the harvest of their folly. In 1896 the North Carolina Republicans, having imitated the Wyoming Democrats and sown to the wind, will reap the whirlwind.

No fusion ever won two successive victories except in the State of Kansas, which is given to freaks. Even in that State, the third attempt was repudiated by honest men of all parties.

NOTICE OF LAND SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage Deed made by Jas. A. Taylor and wife, to E. Strudwick, and recorded in Book 17, No. 2, Page 121, 122, and 123, of Harnett county No. 4, I will sell at public sale at the Post Office in the town of Dunn on the 1st day of February, 1894, at 12 o'clock, M. P. M., the following Real Estate, being in the County of Harnett, to wit: One tract of land containing 25 acres more or less, being about 1/2 mile from the town of Dunn. Also 2 lots in the town of Dunn also one horse & buggy. All of the above lands being fully described in the above referred to mortgage deed. Also a certain tract of land in the County of Harnett, to wit: One tract of land containing 25 acres more or less. This Dec. 29th 1893. E. Strudwick, Mortgagee.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage Deed by James W. Ayers to J. A. Green, and recorded in Book F. No. 3, Page 272 and 273, record of Harnett county, N. C., which mortgage deed has been duly assigned to me, I will sell at public sale for cash at the Court House door in Lillington, on Monday the 25th day of February 1894, at 12 o'clock, M. P. M., a certain tract of land in the Township of Harnett county, N. C., containing fifty and one half acres more or less. This Dec. 29th 1893. Ralford Lucas, Assignee of Mortgage.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage Deed by J. L. Byrd to J. A. Green, and recorded in Book F. No. 3, Page 272 and 273, record of Harnett county, N. C., which mortgage deed has been duly assigned to me, I will sell at public sale for cash at the Court House door in Lillington, on Monday the 25th day of February 1894, at 12 o'clock, M. P. M., a certain tract of land in the Township of Harnett county, N. C., containing thirty acres more or less. This Dec. 29th 1893. Ralford Lucas, Assignee of Mortgage.

MORTGAGE SALE: Under and by virtue of a deed of mortgage executed to me by Burrell J. Johnson and wife and registered in book No. 2, Page 77 and 78 in Registers Office Harnett county, North Carolina, I will sell at public sale at the County Court House door in Lillington, N. C., on the 22nd day of Jan. A. D. 1894, at 12 o'clock, M. P. M., the following Real Estate, being in Harnett county, North Carolina, to wit: One tract of land in the Township of Harnett county, N. C., containing thirty acres more or less. This Dec. 29th 1893. W. B. Johnson, Mortgagee.

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A YOUNG LIFE WRECKED.

And All on Account of the Name Given Him by His Parents.

"You shall not rot." "Must rot, must. It's nearly five." "The two young men, so dissimilar, stood facing each other, the younger but stronger looking of the two with his back against the closed door of the handsomely-furnished room. The elder man, his slight form clothed in correct afternoon costume, clutched nervously at the back of a chair as if for support.

It was a strange scene. One brother barring the door to the other. What a difference in the faces. In the eyes of one could be read unflinching determination, tinged with gleams of pity. The other's told of entreaty, piteous entreaty and abasement.

The Swiss clock on the wall ticked the seconds away as the brothers faced each other. There was a click and the doors of the ornate chateau on top of the time-piece opened and a bird, bearing the features of an administration senator, appeared and cackled five times. The slight man sank into an armchair.

"Let us talk sensibly," said the other, as he placed a chair against the door and sat on it. "For the sake of your family, for the sake of your friends, for your own future, can you not break loose from this horrible habit, that is sapping your energy and brain? Three years ago I left you well and happy, and now I find you in this terrible condition."

"It's all of no use. Of no use. I have struggled madly, wildly." "But how did you, a sensible young man, come to fall so far?" "It was our parents' fault."

"What?" "Oh, you may say 'what' as much as you please, but it's true just the same. You were all right. You were lucky. They called you Bill, and there you were. What did they christen me? Why, 'Herbert Edwin,' and from that day I was doomed. There was no more hope for me than for a man named Balfour at an Irish picnic."

"We didn't realize what it meant, but you can remember how things were. Your name was Bill and your hair was cut when you put on your first trousers. My name was Herbert Edwin and they put me in Fautleroy's and let my hair grow and tried to curl it, although it had no more curl to it than an Indian's."

"That was the way it was right along through school and college. Why, I might have been on the football team if the captain had not said, 'Herbert Edwin! Well, I guess not.' That settled it, and all the honors I got was a place on the sophomore reception committee, which was worse than nothing."

"Honestly, Bill, when I graduated from college and came home, I firmly determined to do the right thing. I said to myself, 'I will show these people an example of a man becoming a credit in spite of adverse circumstances. I will live down my name, or rather, I will rise superior to its baleful influence.' That was what I said, but it was of no use."

"In a moment of careless foolhardiness, thought of my terrible danger came to me. Through the waving petals of the chrysanthemum on my coat I could catch occasional glimpses of the dim, wintry sun, and I went calmly to my fate. On the sidewalk in front of my house a benevolent-looking old gentleman handed me a tract with a pleading, warning look. It was headed: 'The Terrible Curse, or Why Thomas J. Rippus Became T. Juniper Bippus.' I thrust the tract in my pocket. Ah! if I had only read it then and taken heed."

"As I went up the steps a man pushed by me, putting on his coat as he went. I recognized him. His name was Ebenezer Isaac. 'Where's the nearest bar?' he said wildly. 'I've been poisoned.' With a happy smile the tract man pointed to the corner, and Ebenezer disappeared."

"Inside there were twenty-six ladies and one man. His name was Reginald Algernon, and he owned the place. He was introduced as Herbert Edwin and was made much of. I drank tea and then I drank more tea, and I ate little combinations of air and sugar called in flattery cakes. That night I went home with no appetite for dinner, but thoroughly steeped in tea and small talk. The next morning I awoke with an utter loathing for tea. If the Chinese nation could have had only one heap of tea, I would have spent hours trashing it. But I recovered and went again."

"It is needless to speak of the steps in my downfall. You see the result. I am a confirmed five o'clock teater. I make afternoon calls, and as soon as five o'clock comes if I can not get to a tea I go nearly frantic. Bill, if you love me, if you have any remembrance of our boyhood days, you will let me have some tea, rustle the furniture about and talk to me of the curious complexion and perfectly lovely lace Miss McSwat wore at the reception yesterday."

Herbert Edwin staggered across the room and fell weeping on a divan. Washington Star.

Gold in Ireland. All authorities agree in stating that the ancient inhabitants of Ireland must have been very familiar with gold and well accustomed to its use. Native gold occurs in geological deposits in many parts of Ireland. Until lately the gold mines of Wicklow were the most productive of the British Isles, and besides this there are six other known gold-producing localities - Antrim, Derry, Tyrone, Kildare, Dublin and Wexford. It is probable, however, that many of the earlier auriferous deposits have been worked out or are unknown. It is a fact that no country in Europe possesses so much manufactured gold belonging to early ages as Ireland. In the museum of the Royal Irish Academy where there are nearly four hundred specimens of Irish antiquities. The gold antiquities in the British museum illustrative of British history are, without exception, Irish. The museum of Trinity College, Dublin, contains many fine examples, and there are several large private collections. But there is no doubt that much greater quantities of gold ornaments than are now known as existing have been lost forever.

Berghem, the Dutch painter, had a scolding wife. He was lazy and she was thrifty and insisted that he should keep at work. His studio was over the kitchen, and from time to time Frau Berghem pounded the ceiling with a pole she kept for that purpose and Berghem responded by stamping, to assure her that he was awake and attending to business.

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