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"Constant drop of water
Wears away the hardest stone;
Constant gnaw of Towser
Fetches the toughest bone;
Constant cooing lover
Wins off the blushing maid;
The constant advertiser
Is the one who gets the trade."

FARMERS' COLUMN

MULE STOLEN—Mr. B. F. Smith had one iron gray mare mule stolen Tuesday from the vacant lot in rear of Roger's Hill. The mule was ridden in the direction of Davidsonville by a young mulatto. Mr. Smith will be glad to receive any information that may lead to its recovery.

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SHUFORD'S LOYALTY.

HE WILL SACRIFICE THINGS FOR THE FARMER.

Edmunds on the Reorganization—Buchanan will be Returned to Congress.

Correspondence to THE NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—I was talking with Congressman Shuford a few days ago He said he wanted it understood that he would sacrifice all the matter of office for what he deemed to be loyalty to the farmer; that he, himself, was a farmer, and thought he knew their interests He said that the Populists had not yet been able to get proper recognition from Reed, else he would have been heard from more. I asked him about that vote of his on the tariff bill, which taxed the farmers 12 cents a bale on their cotton—ties and bagging. He said he knew what he was doing when he voted for that and would have his reason ready when the proper time comes. It is said that the Hog-Combine got to be so greedy that they turned out a Corker on the Democratic side of the House who had been there twenty years. In retaliation, I am told that the Democratic representatives are boycotting him, and so he stands like a statue tacitly labelled, "Mud, or Watching and Waiting."

PINEVILLE HAPPENINGS.

Personal and Other Items of Interest In and Around Pineville.

For THE NEWS & TIMES.

PINEVILLE, Feb. 12.—Rev. A. L. Stough, returned from Fort Lawn, S. C., last night, to officiate at the marriage of Mr. Will Smith and Miss Colthrop, which takes place this afternoon.

A Valentine party will be given next Friday night at the residence of Mr. H. M. Biven's, of Waxhaw, complimentary to the young people of Pineville.

Mrs. Dr. Ritzel, and Miss Lola McAdams, of Woodleaf, are visiting Mrs. Prof. Wilborn.

Rev. Mr. Williams, of Davidson College, delivered a Masonic lecture here last night, at the Masonic hall.

Mrs. Dr. Rone and daughter, Misses Annie Bell and Blanch, have gone to Marion, to visit relatives.

Mrs. Mary Taylor, an aged lady of this locality, and the mother of Mr. W. J. Taylor, and Mrs. W. L. Fisher, of our town, has been very ill, the result of a fall she received while nursing sick members of her family. Dr. Moore, who has been attending her, thinks she will recover.

Miss Janie McLelland, who has been attending school at Due West, S. C., will return home on account of her eyes, caused by measels. Miss Beckie McLelland, will start to Due West, tonight, to accompany her sister home.

Mr. Israel Crowell, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Wooten, of Elberton, Ga., returned yesterday.

Mrs. Joe Bicket, is quite sick of la gripp.

Mr. Jno. Roller, of Kingsport, Tenn., is in our town with a fine drove of horses.

Dr. Henderson, is here at present, extracting, and otherwise repairing teeth.

Prof. John Wilborn, will lecture next Friday night, at the academy.

Our new firm, Dominy & Younts, are receiving new goods, and Niven, Heath & Co., are getting a lot of nice, pretty, things.

The farmers are busy hauling out fertilizers with the expectation of planting a big crop of cotton, and getting a big price next fall. Hope they will not be disappointed.

New gardens are going up, yards are being newly enclosed and things are wearing quite a spring appearance. A. W. T.

To Much Plenty in Oklahoma.

WICHITA, Kans, Feb. 8.—The people of Oklahoma have abolished the tax on feeding cattle, in order to induce Texans to bring some into the territory and utilize the surplus grain which cannot be shipped because of the high rates of transportation.

A Thick Skull Saved Him.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Robt. B. Roulard, a saloon keeper, tried to end his life by shooting himself with a 38 calibre revolver. His skull was so thick the bullet would not penetrate. Where found buried, it was removed without injury to the brain.

The Queen's Speech Read.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The Queen's speech was read in the customary manner before the opening of parliament today.

TALBERT RAISES A STORM.

THEY WANT TO CENSURE HIM FOR TREASON.

Rising to a Question of Personal Privilege He Makes a Lively Breeze.

Special to THE NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Another sensation was sprung this morning, growing out of the Pearson-Talbert "session" scrap last Wednesday night. Talbert arose to a personal privilege, saying his words had been misenterpreted by the press, that though under similar circumstances he would be in favor of secession again. Here he was called to order by Barrett, of Massachusetts, the same who wanted to impeach Bayard, and Barrett offered a resolution of censure, for treasonable utterances. Here Crisp intervened, moving that Talbert be allowed to explain, and the faction led by Barrett and Boutelle worked up a bloody shirt tumult trying to deny him the right, but to censure him immediately. The excitement was intense, and the scene interesting. Barrett was met with jeers from the Democrats and from many Republicans, led by Cannon, of Illinois, who moved to lay Barrett's motion on the table Meanwhile Talbert was, with a shout voted the right to explain, there being only 40 odd against and made a stirring patriotic speech saying that while he would do the same thing again under similar circumstances, he said he was glad that such conditions would never exist again and that he was second to none now in loyalty to the union. (applause) Dalsell, of Penn., called the yeas and nays, resulting in ayes 200, noes 71, Bailey of Texas and Owens of Kentucky voting no with the bloody shirters. W. E. C.

CLANG, CLANG! CLANG, CLANG!

Lippity, Clippity! Lippity, Clippity!—A Race That Warmed the Blood—The Coons Give the Pale Faces a Hot Chase.

In the old days of the volunteer firemen there was great rivalry between the white and the colored firemen. It was carried to such an extent that one night there was a big fight over a water plug connection. A picket fence was torn down for weapons, and by the time the fight was over, the house had burned to the ground. All this passed away with the organization of the paid department, but recently, the city gave the Neptunes, the colored firemen, two horses, and now the white firemen have to hustle. Last night's alarm afforded the first chance for a race. It is a block and a quarter from the square to the engine house of the white firemen, and the distance is the same to the Neptune engine house. The difference is that the white firemen have a level run, and the Neptunes have to come up a hill. Last night with a clattering of hoofs and a clanging of bells, the reel of the white firemen turned into Independence Square at Wriston's corner, and at the same moment the Neptunes passed the curb at Jordan's corner. The people caught on at once to the excitement of a race. Down Trade street the loud sounding reels clattered, the horses stretched out straight and going like streaks. At Church street the Neptunes passed the white reel and some enthusiastic spectator yelled: "Hooray for the niggers." The white reel turned down Graham street, and the Neptunes kept on, thereby losing half a block, and the whites beat them to the scene, but after it all, the Neptunes got the first stream. Then something got the matter with their nozzle, and the white firemen put the first water on the fire. The race down Trade street was the prettiest thing seen in this town in a long time. A good many people followed after, not so much to see the fire as to learn the result of the race.

The Neptunes are terribly proud of their horses. "We'se got a pair o' sho nuff hosses," said Sam, the driver, to a NEWS reporter who called today to look at the animals.

Three-Fourths for Free Silver.

One of the best informed Democrats in this State tells the Raleigh correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch that he was positive three-fourths of all the voters in the State, regardless of party, are for free silver.

Death of Mr. Veno.

Mr. G. S. Veno died at 2:10 o'clock Wednesday morning at his home on Catherine street, in the Southern section of the city, from pneumonia. He leaves a wife.

A DEMAND ON PRITCHARD.

IT WAS MADE BY MARION BUTLER, AND REFUSED.

A Clincher on Settle's Private Secretary—Patrick Getting up a Southern Pines Junket—No Senate Reorganization—Funeral of Gen. Gibbon.

Special to the NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Young Doctors Robert Gibbon, of Charlotte, and John Gibbon, of Baltimore, were here yesterday to attend the funeral of their uncle, General John Gibbon, who was buried with military honors. The cortege up Pennsylvania Avenue was very imposing and the spot chosen as the last resting place of the dead soldier was on a noble slope commanding from Arlington Heights the Potomac most picturesquely. General Gibbon entered West Point 52 years ago and ever since has been in the service of the United States and had distinguished himself both in the Mexican, Seminole and Civil war.

I am told that Butler went not long since and demanded of Pritchard that he eliminate from his recent speech that portion in which Pritchard had said that but for unfair elections the Republicans could have been carrying the State for several years back This comes straight; also this, that Pritchard refused to grant Butler's request. It will be remembered that it was in connection with this passage that Hill had reminded Pritchard that Butler's crowd had been with the Democrats less than six years back, and therefore must have participated in the alleged unfairness.

A Republican and a good friend of Tom Settle's yesterday went to his committee room for the sole purpose of satisfying himself as to whether or not Corbett was Settle's private secretary. I asked him last night was he satisfied. He said he was satisfied that the negro was his secretary, and should say so to Republican friends who had written him inquiries touching this matter. The gentleman said he found the negro with his feet cocked up on the desk, writing away, and there was another coon, also, in the room. Speaking of silver the secretary said that his relations with Mr. Settle of course, would not permit of his being for free silver. There will be other things about Corbett.

Mr. John T. Patrick, of Southern Pines, is here and expects to organize a party of Washington correspondents to go down in a body to Piney Woods Inn. The trip outside of the balsamic and ozonic air will no doubt, for other reasons, also, be keenly enjoyed by the newspaper men

I have it on the authority of a prominent Populist senator that there will be no Senate reorganization, that the Populists will stick by their men to the end, and the very few friends of General Cox who know of this are accordingly happy. W. E. C.

VERDICT IN THE RITCH CASE.

Motion for a New Trial to be Heard Saturday—Mr. and Mrs. Ritch to Return Home Monday.

The second edition of THE NEWS of Tuesday afternoon, gave the result of the trial of Chas. Ritch for murder, and Emma Clark as an accomplice. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree against Rich and fixed his punishment at 10 years in the State penitentiary. They found Emma Clark guilty as an accomplice and fixed her punishment at 10 years. The Judge set aside the verdict in the Clark case, holding that there was no evidence that she was an accomplice, and she went forth a free woman.

Rich was remanded to jail. Next Saturday he will be taken into court again, when a motion for a new trial will be made, and Ritch will probably be given the benefit of bond. A letter received Wednesday morning by Mr. J. P. Ritch, from Mr. T. L. Ritch written Monday night, says that he and Mrs. Ritch will leave Knoxville for Charlotte next Monday. They hope to bring their son with them. Mrs. Ritch has undergone a terrible ordeal and is greatly distressed at the result of the trial. Mr. Ritch had at no time considered that the verdict would be other than one of acquittal.

The expressions about town when it was known that the Clark woman had been freed were of a tone of mingled indignaton and regret. It had been hoped that the penitentiary would get her on general principles.

THE REORGANIZATION.

AN EASIER FEELING AMONG THE OLD OFFICERS.

A Bill to Abolish the Fees of United States Marshals—An Electrical Boat—Woodard and Shaw Returned.

Special to THE NEWS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—While some people, and good politicians too, say that early reorganization of the Senate is likely, yet there is a decidedly easier feeling today among the old Senate officials. A very observant politician made some figures today with me. He called my attention to the fact that in the Republican caucus, the highest vote cast was 38, of which a majority was 20. Of this 20, 15 votes were cast by the following silver States: Utah 2, Wyoming 2, Washington 2, Oregon 2, Idaho 2, Montana 2, the two Dakotas 2, there being a Democrat from each, and California 1, the other Senators being Democratic. The theory was that these silver men of these new States simply walked away with the caucus, in a way which later opened the eyes of the older Republican Senators, goldbugs and otherwise. These older Senators led by Quay are said to be determined that the election shall not be as smooth as the caucus. So that it looks like General Cox will not be disturbed for some time if at all and of course, too, this includes his efficient and accomplished assistant Peter Wilson.

Congressmen Woodard and Shaw are both back. Mr. J. D. Murphy, of Asheville, arrived this morning, and Dr. J. J Mott, of Statesville, arrived yesterday and has set up his headquarters in the Baltimore Sun Building.

Mr F. A. Anderson, a Raleigh boy who has been here some years is an electrical engineer, and is interested in a new electrical boat, the invention of Mr. Richard B. Painton, of Pennsylvania. It is the first application of electricity as a motive power to boats. The model is in the room of the committee on Naval Affairs and has three screw wheels on each side, either one of which can be stopped at any time without stopping the others. Mr. Anderson claims a revolution in the invention, saying that the boat will make 40 knots an hour and will cross the ocean in three days. I saw the model today. The attempt is being made to apply the invention to United States cruisers, and the bill to this end has passed its second reading in both houses.

Congressman Swanson, of Virginia, who has a bill to abolish the fee system for United States Marshals, said today that he was much interested in the examination that was being made in the methods of United States Marshall Carroll, and stated moreover that statistics showed that half of the cases last year were frivolous, costing the government needlessly millions of dollars.

The new morning daily at Asheville will, I understand have a special correspondent here. W. E. C

Two Farmers Fleeced.

For the News and Times.

MINT HILL, Feb. 12.—Two farmers in Clear Creek township, W. H. Hartis and H. M. Lipe, some time ago had some horses to trade, and having some scruples in regard to "swapping" themselves employed one Bud Talbott to take their horses off and trade them for them. It now appears that Mr. Talbott did trade their horses off and findly sold out the remnant and bought a ticket for Texarcana, Texas, leaving each of the two farmers minus a horse.

Mr. J. L. Campbell who has been very sick with catarrhal fever is now improving.

The infant child of Mr. Griffin died suddenly Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Dr. Harrell and children are off on an extended visit to friends and relatives in Moore county.

Mrs. Dr. De Armon and children are visiting at Esq. C. H. Wolfes. X.

Four Men Drowned.

Zib McCollen, Elijah Lemmons, Dennis Gunn and son, all white, were drowned Saturday night, while attempting to cross Dan river.

The sad accident occurred about four miles from Stoneville.

The river was very high and it is reported that the men would have probably not attempted to cross had they been sober.

All of the men are said to have been badly intoxicated.—Winston Sentinel.

ANOTHER SOCIAL EVENT.

NORTH CAROLINIANS AT MR. REED'S WEDDING.

A North Carolina Boy in a Hospital with his Skull Cracked—Col. Turk's Child Better—Personal Items from Washington.

Special to THE NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Feb 13.—The marriage of Senator-elect Money's daughter to Mr. Beverly R. Reid, was a brilliant affair. The ceremony was performed at Epiphany church by Rev. Dr. McKim, and several senators and representatives were present, including representatives Lockhart and Woodard. Mrs. Money was Miss Boddie from Nash county, North Carolina. The young people left last night for New York and after spending their honeymoon there will go to their future home in Texas. Mr. Reid is a nephew and adopted son of Representative Culbertson, of Texas.

The young Mr. John D. Gordon whose bicycle collided with a mail wagon on Wednesday turned, out to be from Henderson, N. C. His mother, Mrs. Nannie Gordon, now lives there, and the young man came here to live about a year ago, and is now employed as book keeper in the National Plant Food Company. The wheel of the mail wagon came within a few inches of passing squarely over his head. As it was, his skull was cracked on the side. The operation of trephining was successfully performed, and last night on inquiry at the Emergency Hospital, where he is now lying, I was informed that he was doing as well as could be expected with good chances of recovery. He was highly spoken of as a nice young man, hard-working and popular with all the folks at home.

Mr. F. R. Harris, of Henderson, is registered at the Metropolitan.

Col. A. B. Andrews and Mr. Henry W. Miller, his private secretary, have been several days at the Raleigh, where Col. Andrews met President Samuel Spencers on Tuesday. The Col. returned this morning to Raleigh.

Col. Wm A. Turk's little child which has been very sick with the measles is much better.

There is a lull in politics, the proceedings in the House yesterday being confined to short silver speeches. Among them, perhaps the most interesting was that by McLeary, of Minnesota, who illustrated his remarks with a chart in reply to Mr. Towne, of Minnesota, who distinguished himself in the same way. Mr. McLeary was for the gold side. It is astonishing to see with what attention all the speeches are received. Even the Congressmen seem to be studying the question deeply and conscientiously. Harry Skinner and Tom Settle have been the only ones to furnish any eloquence yet for North Carolina. The rest will doubtless come later The Senate is droning along over the appropriation bills, but will probably take up the tariff bill today. Old man Morrill has decided to discuss it with the silver tail to it, and he and Quay have determined not to make any further attempt to recommend it.

Mr. J. D. Murphy, of Asheville, who was here yesterday to attend his brother's marriage, the particulary of which I wired you yesterday left this morning for Baltimore to return this afternoon. He will leave for home tomorrow morning.

Congressman Shaw brought his wife back with him, and they are quartered at the Metoopolitan.

North Carolina arrivals yesterday: J. T. Watson, Hotel Emrich; H. F. McCarty, St. James; E. L. Holt, W. J. Wolf, B. L. Candler, S. S. Jenkins, National; A. J. Galloway, Hon. F. A. Woodard, Hon. J. G. Shaw, E. E. Gorham, Metropolitan. W. E. C.

It's a Hummer.

This week's MECKLENBURG TIMES. It contained 14 pages, and 96 columns. If the columns of this paper were pasted in strips it would make a string more than 50 miles long, longer than from here to Salisbury, and nearly long enough to reach entirely around Mecklenburg county. It goes into more homes in Mecklenburg county than any two weekly papers published here. Its tremendous circulation has been built up by hard work. Not content with past achievments it is now making efforts to double its circulation. We desire to return thanks to the people of Mecklenburg and the merchants of Charlotte for helping us to make THE TIMES what it is.

Respectfnlly,
W. C. DOWD, Ed. and Pub.