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WHOLE NO. 385

A NOTED CRIMINAL

Henry Forrest, arrested a young white man in Anson county three years ago, escaped from the Penitentiary. Mr. James Porter, of this city, once his employer.

People of Cabarrus are familiar with the name of the desperate negro ex-convict, known as Henry Forrest, who was tried Tuesday last for housebreaking and assault upon Adam King, and sentenced to ten years in the State prison.

While Forrest was in the prisoner's bar in the court house Tuesday, Mr. James Porter, a resident of this city living at Forest Hill, recognized Forrest as the murderer of Herbert Leroy, a young white man, whom Forrest killed by striking Leroy, his overseer, on the head with a hoe last May three years ago in Anson county.

Forrest's real name is Andy Harris, and there is a reward of \$200 for his capture, offered by the Governor. "Andy Harris," says Mr. Porter, "was convicted of manslaughter at the September term of Anson county court three years ago, having killed young Leroy, and was sent out to twenty years in the penitentiary. He had served about six months, when he heard I knew the negro when I first heard him speak. He worked under me for three years. He is a desperate negro, and served 18 months in the South Carolina pen."

Harris, alias Forrest was slow to recognize Mr. Porter, but after receiving his sentence at this court, Mr. Porter followed him to the jail, with Sheriff Sim's permission. He told Mr. Porter a strange tale about how he made his escape from the penitentiary farm.

Mr. Porter moved here from Anson county about the first of last May. He was a witness against "Andy Harris," for the State, and is positive that Forrest is the negro that the State authorities want.

Excitement on West Depot Street.

Mr. Luther Ridenhour and little seven-year-old son brought some peaches to town last Friday morning and was peddling them out around town. Mr. Ridenhour left his son in charge of the team, which stood in the front of Side's store on West Depot street, while he stepped into a house near by. The team, a horse and mule, became frightened and ran up the street as far as Georgia avenue, where it was stopped. The boy held his seat, but was badly frightened. All the residents in that part of the city were thrown into a state of excitement when they saw the perilous situation of the boy at the time Mr. Ridenhour's wagon ran into another one, upsetting it. It looked as if the boy would be dashed to death. No one was hurt and damages light.

Terrible Railroad Accidents.

About two miles out from Atlantic City, New Jersey, there is a railroad crossing at obtuse angles. On last Thursday evening while one train was crossing another crashed into it and the case gouges can be imagined more easily than described. The wreckage was simply terrific and 40 lives were dashed out at an instant and 80 were injured. To add to the wreckage one boiler exploded with the evils attending such a fearful calamity. One engineer was killed and when the news reached his wife she was unable to withstand the tragic shock and fell dead.

What you get out of what the heavy weight on one side of a locomotive, which was there first? Anyone who understands mechanics knows the need of a counter-balance to keep the machinery going with a steady even motion. Without it the machinery would wrench itself out of shape. It is the same way with the machinery of the human body. It has to go on steadily and regularly to be in good health—not by fits and starts. The sudden wrenching motions which people sometimes take to overcome constipation, give a violent strain to the intestines which weakens them, so that the constiveness is afterwards worse than before.

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Some One Needs His Coat.

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From Mr. Holly.

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Respectfully,
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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Some of the Cases Reported of During the Term.

In the case of Frank Howard for the burning of C O Gillon's barn, testimony was finished and Solicitor Gorton addressed the jury Thursday evening. Friday morning Attorney Morrison Caldwell, for the defense, occupied the attention of the court till about 11:30. Judge Montgomery, for the prosecution made a brief but pointed address, when Judge Green reviewed the case and gave it to the jury for decision before noon adjournment.

The jury in the Woods Overseas trial, after being out for twenty hours, could not come to an agreement, thereby making a mistrial, which carries the case to another court.

John Rister, who was convicted for retailing liquor, was sentenced to serve a term of six months on the chain gang.

Hoyle Bell, for retailing, was sentenced to three months on the chain gang.

State vs. Jason Furr, charged with larceny, was acquitted.

State vs. Angeline Ellis, retailing, fined a penny and cost.

State vs. Frank Long, charge, larceny. Verdict, guilty, and sentenced one year on chain gang.

In the case of the State vs. Solomon Einstein, violation of the local option laws, found guilty in one case and sentenced to 18 months on chain gang. Appeal taken and bond of \$200 required; if sustained, will involve three more similar cases.

State vs. Clarence Fesperman, carrying concealed weapon; judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Jim Furr, called and failed. Judgment nisi. [Judgment nisi is a legal adjournment meaning that the case may be heard subsequently if cause for absence is shown.]

Rufus Krumminger was tried for larceny and found guilty. He was sentenced to one year on chain gang.

Henry Mischeb, for assault with deadly weapon; not guilty.

State vs. Robt. Johnson, called and failed. Judgment nisi.

State vs. Alfred Sanders, assault on Wm. Wilson; not guilty.

Lum Beyer, and a, appeared in court unable to pay cost of \$50; was assigned to labor on chain gang for six months.

State vs. John Berringer, defendant pleaded guilty to attempt at criminal assault upon Margaret King. He was sentenced to a term of five years in the penitentiary at hard labor.

State vs. Lizzie Parks and Cora Coleman, assault with deadly weapon; judgment heretofore as to Cora Coleman stricken out and bond peevy and cost.

State vs. John Cagle and Rosa Culp, called and failed. Judgment nisi.

State vs. Lafayette Ury, called and failed to answer. Judgment nisi.

State vs. Eddie Mann and Carter, assault with deadly weapon. No damage done, substantiated and judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Dan Cook, plead guilty of illicit selling of liquor, judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State vs. Will Luther, larceny; one year on chain gang.

State vs. M M Widenhouse, et al, for unlawful compromise, laid over owing to the absence of Luther Bist and Hiram Cox.

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SHORT LOCALS.

A J & J F Yorks have put up a gay looking awning in the front of their jewelry store.

Ward B in this city, can furnish more candidates to the yard than any precinct in the county.

Miss Carrie Tater, of Harrisburg, spent several days in the city last week, visiting relatives.

Mr. Luther Biles got his leg badly hurt Thursday afternoon by a piece of lumber falling upon it.

It is hoped that the hanging of Frank Howard on the 28th of August will not interfere with the Democratic primaries.

Since the new crop of wheat is being threshed the Fenix R Miller Mill is running day and night to keep up with the orders.

Mr. George Walter has purchased a lot and is building a nice six room cottage on West Cornin street, near the new reformed chapel.

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NO SMOKE AND CINDERS.

Patent by a English Lady to Do Away With Smoke on Cars.

Raleigh Pays Visitor Mrs. M J Wyatt, wife of our fellow townsman, Mr. E F Wyatt, has taken out a patent in the department at Washington on a smoke and cinder conveyor. The patent papers were made out yesterday and received here today.

Mrs. Wyatt originated the idea of conveying smoke and cinders from the smoke stack of an engine through piping to the rear of the train several years ago. She has been devoting time since then to the perfection of the idea.

The scheme is pronounced to be entirely practicable and feasible, and has the endorsement and hearty approval of several well known mechanics.

The plan of the smoke and cinder conveyor is very simple. The smoke stack is connected with large piping, which receives the smoke and cinders and conducts them by regulated piping over the tops of the cars to the rear. The piping is jointed at the end of the cars, but connection can be made easily.

An air current is maintained by means of automatic ventilators which are stationed at close intervals in the conductors.

It is claimed that this arrangement makes riding on the cars perfectly pleasant.

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A HANGING BEE.

FRIDAY, AUG. 28.

Frank Howard to Pay the Death Penalty for Arson—Calm and Collected When the Utterances of Judge Greene Were Passing Sentence—The Contenance of the Condemned Negro Showed No Signs of Emotion When Told He Should Be Hanged by the Neck Until Dead.

When Criminal Court convened at 9 o'clock last Saturday morning the walls of the court house enclosed within a curious crowd of eager hangers who had swarmed into the murky room to hear His Honor Judge L L Greene pass sentence upon Frank Howard, who had been found guilty by a jury of twelve men, of arson, the penalty for which is death. When His Honor asked the prisoner to arise, a stillness pervaded the court room that would make the heart of the most hard-hearted quake, but the doomed criminal arose with a steadiness that showed no sign of emotion. He was told to sit down, and immediately the judge presented in a few words the penalty for the awful crime of applying the torch, referring to evidence in which the criminal said: "I meant to burn everything on the premises, Gillon and all his family."

The judge said: "Frank Howard, the jury has found you guilty of arson, the penalty of which is death. The court assigned you counsel that did all that could be done for you, but the facts were so plain that a good, able, intelligent jury and able counsel could only find you guilty. The law says a man guilty of so heinous a crime is not fit to live in a civilized community. You will be remanded to the county jail till Friday, the 28th day of August, between the hours of 10 a. m., and 2 p. m. when the sheriff of Cabarrus county will take you to a place prepared for execution, when he shall hang you by the neck until you are dead. And may God have mercy on your soul. In the meantime I advise you to solicit the aid of Christian people to look after your spiritual welfare." The man sat facing the judge, watching as the words that sealed his doom fell from His Honor's lip brazenly, and when the sentence had been concluded, the negro made a sickly grin and turned his head away. Not once did he wince.

Judge Green congratulated Howard and spoke in high praise of the community in which the foul deed was done that the people allowed him a fair and impartial trial instead of wreaking the vengeance of an enraged people.

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