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PUBLIC MILLS.

The new Code of North Carolina (sections 1846 and 1847) contains the following law in regard to public mills: "Every water grist-mill, steam mill, or wind mill, that shall grind for toll, shall be a public mill. All millers of public mills shall grind according to turn, and shall well and sufficiently grind the grain brought to their mills, if the water will permit, and shall take no more toll for grinding than one-eight part of the Indian corn and wheat, and one-fourteenth part for chopping grain of any kind; and every miller and keeper of a mill making default therein shall, for each offence, forfeit and pay five dollars to the party injured: Provided, that the owner may grind his own grain at any time.

THE CYCLONE!

The most destructive storm that we remember to have seen an account of, passed over North Carolina on the night of the 19th of this month. After passing through several Southern States, it visited a number of counties in this State, carrying not only destruction to property, but killing hundreds of people. And for many years, when the muttering of the distant thunder is heard, many a heart in that storm-stricken district will quake with fear. The safest protection is to do the will and put our trust in Him who rides upon the storm and governs its course. A private letter from Edenboro says the cyclone that visited Montgomery county (this State) passed within 10 or 12 miles of that place, destroying 20 houses in a distance of six miles, killing six persons and wounding a number of others.

DANBURY AND PARKERSBURG RAILROAD.

The greatest drawback to the development of the material resources of Stokes county is the lack of a cheap means of transportation between this section and the iron furnaces and manufacturing establishments about Pittsburg and along the Ohio and Kanawha rivers. The same state of affairs has also prevented the development of Patrick, Floyd, Montgomery and Giles in Virginia. In order to meet this demand for an outlet to the North and West a number of gentlemen of this State Virginia and West Virginia have procured a charter from the Virginia Legislature for a railroad from Danbury to Parkersburg, W. Va., at the junction of the Ohio and Little Kanawha rivers, where the Baltimore and Ohio River Railroad crosses the Little Kanawha. There are already several short roads projected on this line, the most important of which are the Blacksburg road and the Blacksburg, Weston & Glenville. The former covers about 25 miles of the line, and the latter about 90 miles. It is expected that work on that portion of the line between Floyd O. H. Va., and Hinton, W. Va., will be commenced within the present year, and also that work will be commenced on the Little Kanawha division.

A farmer from Pocahontas county, West Virginia, appeared in Staunton the other day searching for an auction block and an auctioneer. He was disappointed when told that there were no slave auctions in Virginia. He returned to his mountain home unable to sell the two slaves he had desired to sell. He had cultivated his farm all these years in ignorance of the emancipation proclamation.

In Germany, hereafter, each town must keep a record of all the hard drinkers, and the city medical men are bound to report those who habitually imbibe to excess, so that the authorities may subject them to a strict course of treatment.

The ground on which an Iowa man asks for a divorce is that his wife is drunkard; and the peculiarity of the complaint is its specification that she acquired the habit of intemperance while tending bar in his own saloon.

LEGAL HINTS FOR FARMERS.

To those who contemplate engaging in a lawsuit no better advice can be given than that of Punch, to those about to marry. It may be all summed up in one word—"Don't!" Better put up with few grievances and petty annoyances, than have a lawsuit with any one. Better give your neighbor a little more than you think he is entitled to, or settle your accounts with him on the basis of a small amount due him, than let any court settle the difference between you. There are a great many reasons why you should do this. Lawsuits are expensive luxury, and should be indulged in only by the wealthy. But the poor man seems to be just the one to have more suits than any other. But by no means are lawyers unnecessary, and should never be consulted. On the contrary, consulting a good lawyer has been, and is, the means of keeping many a man out of trouble, and often saves him many dollars. The drawing of papers, deeds, leases agreements, wills, and the settlement of estates, are among the many things on which a lawyer's aid should be sought. The rule is this: Consult a lawyer enough to keep out of lawsuits.

Poetry and Realism.

The fair and imaginative "Ouida," writing of Italy, says: "Here one wants so little, the air and the light, and a little red wine, and the warmth of wind, and a handful of maize or of grapes, and an old guitar, and a niche to sleep in near a fountain that murmurs and sings to the mosses and marbles—these are enough in Italy." And yet nearly every vessel that comes to Castle garden from the blue Mediterranean brings a drove of stalwart Italians who look as though they could not object to being introduced to a loaf of brown bread and a fitch of American bacon. Such is the difference between poetry and realism.—New York World.

MURDER IN FLOYD.—On Tuesday evening of last week a most unprovoked murder was committed on the streets at Floyd C. H., Va. Mr. Jefferson J. Dehart, a constable, was shot and killed by Jacob Dulancy, of Montgomery county, a wild, daring and desperate man. The following are the particulars, briefly stated: Dulancy, while under the influence of liquor, was creating a good deal of disturbance; Dehart was trying to quiet him and induce him to leave, so as to avoid arrest, when Dulancy, without the least provocation, fired upon him. The ball entered Dehart's left breast, inflicting a wound from which he died the next day. Dulancy, who was mounted when he fired the fatal shot, galloped off, but was immediately pursued, captured, and brought back. The jail had to be guarded to prevent his being lynched.

DEATH OF MRS. PENNINGTON.—We learn from the Dakota Herald that Mrs. Amanda K. Pennington, died at Yankton on the 2d of Feb. after a lingering illness of sixteen months. Mrs. Pennington was the daughter of Joseph James of Iredell county, N. C. She was married in 1857, and leaves three living children. Her husband, John L. Pennington, is a native of Wake county. He has been Governor of Dakota Territory, and Collector for that Territory. He was raised a printer, and was the founder and editor of the Raleigh Progress.

Many a noble woman gives up pleasure and comfort to please a man; but where is the man who will give up tobacco to please a woman—especially if that woman be his wife? We do not know; we have never had the pleasure of seeing him, nor of hearing where he resides. If any of our readers know, they will confer a great favor upon the community by designating the locality in which he may be found.

A LOVER'S QUARREL.—Girl in a blaze, Man in a maze. Girl accusing, Man confusing. Girl storms, Man warns. Girl quickens attack, Man tries to talk back. Man repents (?), Girl relents. Girl cries, Man lies, Girl beams Man schemes. Girl forgives, Man still lives. And with two Irving tickets an opera promise and a pound of caramels, makes himself as solid as the Democratic platform.

The charge against a California Judge is of frivolity, and the specification is that he puts his hair in papers every night, woman fashion, to make it curl when he is on the bench next day.

The prayer of Little children are very suggestive. A little girl on Long Island, a few nights ago, closed her devotions in these words: "I do thank thee, lord, for all my blessings, and I'll do as much for you some time.

There are men who love only themselves and those are men of hatred for to love one's self alone is to hate others.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

CAREFULLY COLLECTED AND CONDENSED FROM THE REPORTER AND POST'S EXCHANGES.

State News.

Trinity College has now 93 students including the 20 Indian boys.

So far as known there were eight deaths from the storm in Montgomery county.

There have been five homicides within about five miles of each other in Wake county in less than two years.

Caleb Dixon, an old citizen of Alamance county, fell with his back against a circular saw and was cut through and through.

Dol. C. S. Brown, well known all over the State as a popular hotel-keeper, died at the Mt. Vernon Hotel, Salisbury, Wednesday.

A Goldsboro man sent on fifty cents for a receipt that would save shoe leather, and received a reply, to go barefooted, a blained fool.

Miss Lizzie Owen formerly of Greensboro has been appointed to a clerkship in the Treasury Department at Washington at a salary of sixty dollars per month.

The railroads are annihilating time and space. The Wilmington Review says a person may take breakfast in New York, dinner in Richmond and supper in Wilmington.

The Beaufort Telephone says every farmer in Carteret county but one lives within a half a mile of navigable water and can go to market either with a wheeled vehicle or in a boat.

A colored man, Crowder Day, was being drawn up out of a well, at Durham, in which he had been working, and when near the top fell from the rope and had his brains dashed out.

Montgomery Star tells of the presentation to Mr. A. E. Sanders, by his wife of three fine boys, one day last week, the largest of which weighs ten pounds. All are living and doing well.

The Elizabeth City Economist says that in his young days, when he lived in Salisbury, Andrew Jackson took delight in fighting chickens and surpassed any man of that time in the art and mystery of gaffing a cock.

Durham will add one million dollars to the manufacturing capacity this year, in cotton, woolen and tobacco factories. Eight hundred and fifty thousand already under way, and the residences to be built will average one every day in the year.

The News-Observer says a crazy negro named John Scott, lately transferred from the Wake county jail to the Goldsboro asylum, died soon after his transfer. It has since transpired that he came to his death by blows on the head with bricks and pieces of coal inflicted while in jail by a fellow prisoner, Chas. Washington, who will be held for murder.

General News.

There is said to be a keen rivalry between Chicago and St. Louis for the next Democratic National Convention.

A mob near Denver, Col., lynched a quack doctor, Eli Madlong, one of whose prescriptions had killed a patient.

At Petersburg, Va., Thursday, Judge Mann, in the case of the State against the Dismal Swamp Canal Lottery Company, decided against the company.

Probably the longest lovers quarrel on record came to an end the other day in Bradford, Connecticut, when Miss Jennie Durand and James O. Smith were married. They quarreled in 1825 and did not meet again for fifty-eight years. The groom is 80 and the bride 77.

It is not perhaps generally known that steel rails can now be made more cheaply than iron rails. Such is the fact. Ships made of steel cost only ten per cent more than ships built of iron. They are so much lighter than the difference of cost is more than compensated by their lightness. Experts believe that the difference in cost will soon disappear.

"Within half a century," says Dr. Dio Lewis, "no young man addicted to the use of tobacco has graduated at the head of his class in Harvard College, although five out of six of the students have used it. The chances were five in six that a smoker would graduate at the head of his class, if tobacco does no harm. But during half a century not one victim of tobacco was able to come out ahead."

A wealthy young merchant of Augusta, Ga., has caused much excitement by publishing a challenge to fight sixteen young men, through whose influence he was refused admission into a young ladies' leysayer club. The young men have accepted the challenges, and the young duelist proposes to shoot them down one after another in the order of the reception of their challenges, but doubt is expressed as to his ability to go through the entire list.

Politics Points.

It is said that in the retirement of Mr. Elam from the Richmond Whig, and Mr. Gorham from the Washington Republican Gen. Mhons has lost two wheel horses from his ear of State.

The New York Tribune calls Dr. Mott "the leader of the Republican party in the North Carolina, and possibly the next Governor of that State," and says of him: "He is a tall spare man of Dark complexion. He is a native of the State, and noted for his courage. During the days of the Klu Klux he would walk through a howling mob and bid defiance to it.

Tuesday, July 8th has been designated by the National Executive Committee, and Chicago named as the place for holding the Nominating convention of the Democratic party. The representation of the States fixed at double the number of Senators and Representatives in Congress. The next meeting of the committee will be held at the Palmer House, Chicago, July 7th.

Was it a Dream?

Dr. Walter Bruce, of Micanopy, recently had a very singular experience made him in a way that is hard to explain. He is a native of Virginia, where he married Miss Stribling, of Fauquier county, some years ago, and soon afterwards removed to this State as one of the pioneers in orange planting, and has ever since been actively engaged in that business. He is well known about here as a man of sound judgment, high standing and of the most practical ideas, and is far from being a believer in any of the popular "isms" of the day, especially Spiritualism.

Late on the night of Friday, Dec. 28th, he was awakened from a sound sleep at his house in this place by so strong a feeling that there was some mysterious presence in his room that he got up and lighted a lamp and looked all over the house, but, finding nothing unusual, he returned to bed and apparently fell into a light sleep in which there appeared to him a vision of his wife's brother, R. M. Stribling, in a deadly conflict, in which he had his throat cut in a most horrible manner, and was removed to a store near by, where he was placed on a counter, and after the apparent lapse of time he died from the effects of the wound.

The vision was so real that Dr. Bruce could not sleep no more, and when morning dawned he went out but could not rid himself of the very strong impression it had made upon him. He related the dream, as he called it, to several of his friends, and later in the day visited a well known Spiritualist in Gainesville, who told him that some awful calamity must have befallen young Stribling. And, sure enough, the next mail from Virginia brought Dr. Bruce a letter announcing the death of his brother-in-law in the exact manner he had seen and at the very hour that it had appeared to him in his vision. A sister of the murdered man, visiting relatives in Kentucky at the time of his death, had a similar dream, and, while relating it at the breakfast table, was handed a telegram announcing its fulfillment.

The Arab and His Horse.

The Arabians never beat their horses; they never cut their tails; they treat them gently; they speak to them and seem to hold a discourse; they use them as friends; they never attempt to increase their speed by the whip, or spur them, but in cases of great necessity. They never fix them to a stake in the fields, but suffer them to pasture at large around their habitations; and they come running the moment that they hear the sound of their master's voice. In consequence of such treatment these animals become docile and tractable in the highest degree. They resort at night to their tents, and lie down in the midst of the children, without ever hurting them in the slightest manner. The little boys and girls are seen upon the body or neck of the mare, while the beasts continue impassive and harmless, permitting them to play with and caress them without injury.

The Waynesville News, published at Waynesville, N. C., is a new journalistic venture. The paper is ably edited, neatly printed, and we wish for it a substantial support.

If a well be poisoned, woe be to those who drink thereat. It is worse to poison the fountain of life for one's self, and for posterity. Often by carelessness, or misfortune, or inheritance, this has been done. Ayer's Sarsaparilla frees the blood, the vital stream, and restores appetite, strength, and health.

Reason governs the wise man and engulds the fool.

TO THE PUBLIC.

The Code of North Carolina, section 3811, requires all persons using weights, measures, scales, and balances in buying or selling, and all millers using weights and measures, at least once in two years to bring forward their measures and weights for adjustment. I am now ready as my office in Danbury to adjust and examine all weights, measures and balances, and advise all persons to bring them in, and thus save cost.—Persons failing to comply with the above law forfeit fifty dollars. This day of February, 1884. N. A. MARTIN, Standard Keeper.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Jas. W. Preston, dec'd I hereby give notice to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment of the same, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them for payment on or before the 21st day of January, 1884, at this office, when I will hold a bar of their recovery. J. G. MITCHELL, Adm'r. This the 21st day of January, 1884.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a mortgage deed made by William H. Reed and Catharine Reed to McGeebe, Carter & Andrews and transferred by them to me, said mortgage being registered in the Register's office of Stokes county, in Book No. 23, page 388, I shall offer for sale on the premises, on MONDAY the 10th of March, 1884, to the highest bidder, for cash, 120 acres of land near Prestonville, known as the Duncan land, to satisfy said mortgage. W. A. LASH, Feb. 23, 1884.

Execution Sale.

By virtue of an execution in my hands in favor of M. T. Smith against Thomas Wilkins, I will sell for cash at the courthouse door in Danbury, on Monday the 25th day of March, 1884, the following lands, to-wit: One tract of 242 acres, more or less, known as the home place of the said Thomas Wilkins, adjoining the lands of John Hawkins, Andrew Alley and others. One other tract of 230 acres, adjoining the lands of Peter Martin, James Stribling and others. One other tract of 273 acres, adjoining the lands of W. W. Vernon, John Stribling, J. G. Fern and others. Said lands are well timbered and are good for tobacco and grain. This the 12th day of January, 1884. WILLIAM SHAFER, Adm'r Wm Shafer, dec'd.

Land Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Stokes county, made the 24th day of January, 1884, I will sell to the highest bidder, on a credit of six months, at Danbury, in Stokes county, on Saturday the 23rd day of February, 1884, all the stock and goods of William Stribling, deceased, to-wit: One tract of 273 acres, adjoining the lands of Peter Martin, James Stribling and others. One other tract of 273 acres, adjoining the lands of W. W. Vernon, John Stribling, J. G. Fern and others. Said lands are well timbered and are good for tobacco and grain. This the 12th day of January, 1884. WILLIAM SHAFER, Adm'r Wm Shafer, dec'd.

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where I will be pleased to see and serve you, and where you will receive fair and impartial dealing and also receive the highest market price for your tobacco. Earnestly hoping that it may be your good pleasure to sell with me, I am, Your Friend Truly, JO. H. VAUGHN.

CHICAGO, ILL., ORANGE, MASS., AND ATLANTA, GA.

Danbury Market.

Table listing market prices for various goods like Apples, Berries, Cherries, Butter, Peaches, Bacon, Lard, Coffee, Sugar, Cotton checks, Calico, A A sheeting, Bleaching, Cottonades, Jeans, etc.

Advertisement for Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, featuring an illustration of a man on a horse and text describing the medicine's benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for The Morning Star, a first-class democratic newspaper published daily at \$1.00 per annum.

Advertisement for The Weekly Star, published daily at \$1.50 a year, featuring full and reliable market reports.

Advertisement for Dr. V. O. Thompson's Compound Tonic Bitters, a mild tonic and appetizer for various ailments.

Advertisement for Heitman & Younger, Wholesale Grocers, located at No. 13 Pearl Block, 14th Street, Richmond, Va.

Advertisement for The Atlanta Constitution, a world-famous newspaper with a large circulation.

Advertisement for The New York Weekly, a literary paper published weekly, offering specimen copies.

Advertisement for Sewing Machines, highlighting the New Home Sewing Machine as a superior model.

Advertisement for Sewing Machines, emphasizing the perfection of the New Home Sewing Machine for various tasks.

Advertisement for Patents, offering legal services for securing and defending intellectual property rights.

Advertisement for I Arise to Say if You Want Job Printing, offering professional printing services.

Advertisement for O. F. Weisiger & Co., Manufacturers and Jobbers of Clothing, located at No. 1215 Main St., Richmond, Va.

Advertisement for James D. Chamberlain, Wholesale Hat Dealers, located at 1315 Main Street, Richmond, Va.

Advertisement for A. Oeppenheimer, Manufacturer of Mens and Youths' Clothing, located at 1315 Main Street, Richmond, Va.

Advertisement for The Latest and Best Sewing Machine, highlighting the Remington Sewing Machine.

Advertisement for William Snow, Southern Agents, located at No. 7 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.

Advertisement for Findlay, Roberts & Co., Importers and Dealers in Hardware, Cutlery, Guns, etc., located at No. 9 S. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.

Advertisement for J. L. C. Bird, with W. D. Kyle & Co., Importers and Dealers in Hardware, Cutlery, Iron, Nails and Carriage Goods, located at No. 9 Governor Street, Richmond, Va.

Advertisement for Patents, offering legal services for securing and defending intellectual property rights.

Advertisement for Hiram Sibley & Co., Turnip Seed, offering a new crop ready in July.

Advertisement for R. W. Powers & Co., Wholesale Druggists, located at No. 1305 Main and 9 and 11 13th Sts., Richmond, Va.

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