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## OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

While la-grippe has taken a firm hold on the feeling of this writer, and with the desks of several of the senators sprinkled with a pretty thick layer of lieutenant-gubernatorial frost, administered last Saturday in a surprising and discriminating shower by presiding officer Frank Winston, I am attempting to send the readers of this paper their usual weekly Raleigh Letter about legislative affairs. But am working under unusual difficulties and must needs be briefer than ordinary. The grip is cutting a wider swath than usual this winter in Raleigh and a large number of people are its victims temporarily from time to time.

The railway passenger rate is still unsettled and it is not certain (as I predicted last week) that it will ever be settled by this legislature, and this despite the unusual and provoking course adopted by the presiding officer of the Senate to force a settlement against the wishes of the majority of the Senate. The Senate Graham bill, which passed the senate over the Daniel substitute by the nine majority, and on final reading got 44 of the 47 votes cast, is now in the hands of its enemies—without a single supporter who voted for it against the proposed Daniel substitute or the McLean substitute or other real friend among the six men who have been named as conferees on the part of the two houses.

This unusual and highhanded situation is due to the equally highhanded action of the lieutenant governor who, having the naming of the three members of the conference committee on the part of the Senate, refused to place a single friend of the Graham bill on the committee, when as a matter of precedent and custom and equity he should have been careful to see that at least two of the Senate conferees were friends of the measure which passed that body and that one of them should be Senator John W. Graham of Orange the author of the bill.

When the one-sided and partial committee was announced it created the greatest astonishment throughout the chamber. Mr Daniel, the senator from Halifax, whose discredited substitute calling for 2-1-4 (two and a quarter cents) was badly defeated an hour before, was placed at the head of the senate conferees and Aycock of Wayne, and Webb of Buncombe, neither of whom supported the Graham bill and are opposed to both the two and one-half cent rate and the second class car feature of the bill as it passed the senate, were named as the other two. Major Graham, the author of the bill, was ignored entirely and neither Buxton, Mason, McLean Mitchell or either of the other 29 original champions of the measure, one or two of whom every one supposed would be certainly named as a conferees, were mentioned by the chair, and so of course the senate committee is very unsatisfactory in its complexion.

And thus it is that the senate bill is now "in the hands of its enemies without one friend on the joint conference committee.

Now, if that committee, all thinking so much alike, and with the major portion of the thought of the senate entirely unrepresented can and does formulate a bill that can run the gauntlet of the senate it will be little less than a miracle. Some fault has been discovered by its friends in the Graham bill since it passed the senate.

But they are faults than can be easily eliminated or corrected and the bill, in the main a good one, can be preserved or could have been if it had been committed to a

committee on which it had any friends.

I am one of the staunch friends and admirers of the lieutenant-governor and like nearly all of them, we were astounded and sincerely sorry that he saw fit to pursue the course he did in this matter, because it is certainly not calculated to add to his popularity or reputation for fairness. At the same time, the proper thing for at least one, if not two, of the conferees named to have done under the circumstances to have peremptorily declined. The fact that neither actually manifested any real desire to do so added to the ugly aspect of unfairness. But something will or will not eventuate this week.—LEWELLEN.

## Words of Washington.

Normal Instructor.

1. Peace with all the world in sincere wish.
2. Good sense and honesty are qualities too rare and too precious not to merit particular esteem.
3. Knowledge is in every country the surest basis of public happiness.
4. Observe good faith and justice towards all nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all.
5. Let your discourse with men of business be short and comprehensive.
6. Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation, for tis better to be alone than in bad company.
7. I hope I shall always possess firmness and virtue to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, an honest man.
8. Be not hasty to believe flying reports to the disparagement of others.
9. My eyes have grown dim in the service of my country, but I never doubted her justice.
10. I require no guard but the affections of the people.

## An Aspect of Washington's Career Not Sufficiently Considered.

New York Sun.

This portrait of an unshamed plutocrat was drawn yesterday by Hon. William U. Hensel, of Pennsylvania, in an address at Lehigh University: "Washington inherited an estate, he acquired more by marriage, he accumulated some by foresight, he increased it by speculation and by industry, and it was greatly enlarged by the adventitious rise of values. He died the richest citizen of the United States. He was never ashamed of it.

An aspect of George Washington's career and character that, we fear has never been sufficiently considered by a majority of the orators and celebrants of February 22d.

## Stole \$600 a Week.

Miss Francis Seiple, a young lady book keeper in one of the Philadelphia department stores, at a weekly salary of \$12 was arrested for the embezzlement of \$31,000 from the house. Miss Seiple was in the sales department and the evidence showed that she was permitted to draw a lump sum to pay off the employees. She put the money in the envelopes herself and rendered an account to the cashier.

The weekly pay roll of the store is about \$16,000, and for the last year the testimony showed she had been pocketing \$600 a week.

John Hatley, a farmer living a few miles south of Durham was at a wood chopping on Wednesday, to cut a lot of wood at the home place of Walter Rich, when his axe slipped and his foot was cut off. He bled profusely but has passed through the most dangerous period, and his recovery is looked for.

## CHRONICLE LETTER.

Alpha Gets New Hat And Feels That He Must Live Up To It.

Iron Station, R. F. D. 1  
Feb. 25th, 1907.

We now have more snow and sleet, and the ground hog and weather prophets are keeping themselves very close.

Your correspondent has been suffering for the past week with a very aggravating boil on his neck. We are now in proper condition to appreciate the truth of Josh Billing's philosophy when he said: "The best place to hev a bile is on some other feller."

In the death of Mr. J. W. McIntosh, Lincoln County loses one of her most progressive citizens. He was always found in the lead in any move that had for its object the betterment of society.

Your correspondent is again teaching and, notwithstanding the fact that most of our pupils have just had a tussle with the measles, the attendance for the past week has been very good.

Prof. G. T. Heafner, County Superintendent of Schools, visited the schools of our section last Tuesday, and spent Tuesday night at the home of your correspondent. He says the schools of the county are getting along nicely except in a few districts where the attendance is not what it should be.

Most of our people have had a tussle with grippe, but thus far no serious cases have developed.

A friend presented us with a Derby hat a few days ago. The first one we ever owned, and as soon as we put it on our top piece, it seemed to transform our whole nature. It is wonderful how a Derby does widen ones vision. We never did feel so important before. We now feel like we know a good sprinkle of law, have a strong inclination to preach, and for the first time in our life, we have been siezed with a hankering for office. We feel that it would be an insult to our friend not to wear the hat, and at the same time we feel that it will be impossible to wear it and hold our present equilibrium. This friends, is our present dilemma.

The other day a gentleman used language something like this in our presence: "Whiskey will be made as long as corn grows, and water runs." We have heard this remark perhaps a hundred times in our life, by the friends of the traffic in strong drink. Well brother, for argument sake, let us admit that you are correct in what you say, is that any reason why all good people should not try to enforce our temperance laws? Suppose our ancestors would have said in their day: No use to make laws to protect human life, for people will kill one another till the millennium dawns, or it's no use to try to make laws to protect our property, for people will steal until the Judgment day. There would have been as much sense in these propositions, as in yours, brother. The truth of the matter is we find more cowards when it comes to enforcing our temperance laws than in enforcing laws to suppress any other crime. Let some poor fellow steal a chicken or a bushel of corn, and the whole community is aroused and is not satisfied until the criminal is landed on the chaingang or in the penitentiary. Let some thoughtless young man be caught with a pistol in his pocket. Everybody says well done, when the judge imposes a fine of \$20 or \$30. Ordinarily the criminals mentioned do no one any harm except themselves. While on the other hand, the dealer in strong drink, sells that which makes widows and orphans, debauches the young men of the community and causes more sorrow and heart-aches, than all other

classes of criminals, and yet when he happens to get in the clutches of the law, he has the sympathy of every whiskey uzzler in the community, and even good moral men, members of the church of God, are afraid to open their mouths against the criminal. God grant that the day may soon come when our people shall quit "Straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel."

ALPHA.

## North Brook Locals.

Mr. Ed. Willis, son of Solomon Willis, who has been down for several weeks with typhoid fever has recovered.

The school at Baker's school house closed last Saturday. The closing exercises were held Saturday afternoon, and consisted of recitations and songs by the pupils.

Mr. John Hoover, who is teaching at Bost school house, in Catawba County, came home Saturday for a brief visit, and entertained a number of friends at his home that evening. Music and recitations from the graphophone were enjoyed and the evening spent in pleasant social intercourse. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bost came over from Catawba county with Mr. Hoover.

Mr. Lee Willis suffered the misfortune of having his mule and buggy stolen from the yard while enjoying Mr. Hoover's hospitality and so far no trace of the thief has been found. At the same time the mule and buggy were stolen the brand new curtains to Mr. Bost's surrey were cut to peices. The deed is supposed to have been perpetrated by two strangers who were lurking about the yard, but whom no one saw well enough to recognize.

## Leonard's Fork Items.

Mrs. Jim Sisk is sick with the grippe.

We are having cold, rough weather now.

Miss Florence Hoover has been very sick with chills.

Mrs. T. J. Hoover spent last week in Lincolnton, visiting relatives.

Mr. Claude Houser visited his sister, Mrs. John Huss, Monday night.

Misses Ethel Houser and Flossie Ramsey visited W. C. Crytz Saturday afternoon.

There will be preaching services here Saturday at 3 o'clock p. m., and Sunday at 11 a. m.

Mr. Charlie Huss, and family, have been sick with grippe. His little son has pneumonia now.

Misses Pearl and Flossie Houser, of Cherryville, visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Houser, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. Lawson Houser is still very sick. He is now using the beach bark remedy for his cancer, and thinks it is doing him good. He is now troubled with asthma.

## CONSTANCE.

Mr. Albert Ashcraft, of Marshville township, Anson county has the only dog in the world which has ever been phoned to. Mr. Ashcraft has an intelligent Shepherd dog which occasionally goes to the home of Mr. Joel Huggins, a neighbor of Mr. Ashcraft. To see if the dog would recognize his master's voice, the animal was taken to the phone and Mr. Ashcraft was called. As soon as he heard his master calling him the dog ran for home and the experiment has been tried a number of times since, the dog running for home as if his life depended upon it every time he is called.

## A RALLY AT THE COURT HOUSE.

Daughters of Confederacy To Hold Meeting Tuesday Evening To Discuss Memorial Hall.

There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy at the Court House Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of discussing the subject of a Memorial Hall. The public at large is invited to attend and it is earnestly hoped that the business men of the town, especially, will attend this meeting. The Daughters have plans afoot looking to the improvement of the public library, and it is suggested that the matter of a library may be combined with that of a Memorial Hall. A number of leading citizens have promised to be present, and informal short talks will be made and general discussion indulged in. This is a matter of great public interest. Let everyone make a special effort and COME.

## Reepsville Reports.

Reepsville, Feb. 26, '07.

P. W. Ramsaur, and little son, Douglass, are on the sick list.

Miss Bettie Holly is at home a few days from Fallston, where she is clerking for Stamey Brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol. R. Warlick and babe are out from the city to spend a few days with relatives.

Chauncey Dalton, and bride, (Pearl Grigg,) of Waco, N. C., visited J. R. and D. A. Seagle last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Yount, and their children, spent three or four days in this community last week visiting their kin.

Calvin and Roy Warlick, and Clarence Holly, of Catawba College, spent from Thursday evening to Monday at home.

Mrs. Petrie, who sustained fatal injuries from a fall on the ice three weeks ago, was buried at Daniel's today. A large congregation attended the burial, regardless of the rainy day. The bereaved families have the deepest sympathy of the whole community, and especially Mr. Petrie himself, as he has had more than his share of accidents in his family. His first wife died from an accident, being hooked or gored by a milk cow, and a few years ago Mr. Petrie was laid up for a long time from a broken ankle.

The Reepsville School gave a nice entertainment last Friday night, celebrating Washington's birthday. The exercises throughout showed careful training by their teacher, Miss Dellinger. Many expressions of appreciation were given upon the occasion to Miss Dellinger for her thorough work in the school. Rev. R. M. Courtney, of Lincolnton, was present and made a noble talk on the subject of education, in its broadest sense. We want him to come again. A subscription list was on hand that night and \$75 was subscribed in a few minutes to enlarge our school building, with other able patrons to be heard from yet. A collection was taken after the exercises were over that night for the purpose of helping to buy a bell for the Baptist church. The Baptists were very kind in granting the use of their church for the occasion.

W.

The extension of city limits, which can cause a row in any town almost equal to a prohibition fight, has been agitating the residents of Charlotte and Raleigh and probably other towns. In the Raleigh case an agreement has been reached to vote on the extension, the proposition to be whether the limits shall be extended a quarter or a half mile.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Emanuel Aderholdt.

Uncle Emanuel Aderholdt was born on Beaverdam Creek, Lincoln (now Gaston) County, April 20th, 1820, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ida Nolen, Crouse, Lincoln County, February 26th, 1907. He was the youngest of a family of thirteen children, all of whom are dead except a sister, Mrs. Annie Roberts, who lives with her son, Mr. J. M. Roberts, four miles south of Lincolnton. He was twice married. His first wife was Mary Rudisill, this union was blessed with nine children. His second wife was Elizabeth Brown, who survives him, and they were blessed with five children. He had thirty-nine grand children and eleven great-grandchildren. He was a life-long member of the Lutheran Church, having been baptized in early infancy, was confirmed while quite a young man and served as an officer in his church for many years. He served his country as a Confederate soldier during the unpleasantness of the sixties, was a Justice of the Peace for a number of years and was also County Treasurer of Gaston County during the seventies. The writer has known him for the last forty years, and can say that when in the prime of life, he was a model farmer and performed a lot of hard work. For several years, on account of age and infirmities, he has not been actively engaged, living among his children a portion of his time at Cherryville and King's Mountain. He was attacked with grippe, and being in his eighty-seventh year, it was only a few days until death claimed its victim, and on the day following, after a funeral discourse by his pastor, Rev. E. H. Kohn, his remains were tenderly laid to rest in the cemetery at Saint Mark's church to await the resurrection morn.

J. M. RHODES.

## High Shoal Items.

Mr. Lee Carpenter is going to move to Texas.

Mr. Julius Alexander, who has had a light attack of pneumonia, is improving.

Misses Venia and Emma Lee Carpenter spent Saturday night with Miss Beulah Carpenter.

Miles Cloninger and Miss Sophia Taylor were married Sunday. We wish them a long and happy life.

Mr. Clayton Carpenter attended the anniversary at Lenoir College Friday night, and reports a nice time.

We have been having wet weather for the past few days and are anxious to see the bright sunshine again.

Burgin Carpenter, who recently married in Texas, is at home with his bride, but will move to Texas shortly. We wish them success.

Mr. John T. Carpenter, and family, who have been living at King's Mountain for several years moved back to Beaver Dam last week.

I close with best wishes to the News and it's many readers.

BETH.

Congressman Richard N. Hackett has appointed James H. Horah, of Salisbury, his private secretary. The honor came unsolicited but it is a just one. Mr. Horah was secretary to Mr. T. H. Vanderford chairman of the Democratic executive committee of this district.

HUSBAND.—"It is remarkable what great fools marry the most beautiful women."  
Wife.—"Oh you flatterer!"