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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

HOUSE.

MONDAY, January 24.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hayes, bill to amend chapter 175, section 24, laws 1885, regulating fees of registers of deeds.

Mr. Newson, bill to amend chapter 214, laws 1885, giving a pension to widows of Confederate soldiers who died from disease.

Mr. Mills (by request), bill to prevent polygamous marriages.

S. B. 78, H. B. 268, to prohibit fast driving or riding over the iron bridge across South Fork river in Lincoln county, passed its second and third readings.

S. B. 86, H. B. 303, to amend chapter 148, laws 1885, for the better draining of Lower creek in Burke and Caldwell counties, passed its second and third readings.

SENATE.

TUESDAY, January 25.

Bills and resolutions were introduced and disposed of as follows:

Mr. Broadhurst, to empower the county board of education to punish contempts committed in their presence. Education.

Mr. Purcell, to prevent the spread of hog cholera.

Mr. Griffin, to prevent preference of creditors in assignments. Judiciary.

A bill on its second reading to amend section 3734, of the Code, to raise the salaries of superior court judges and to prevent them, and the supreme court judges from accepting free passes. Amendment offered by the committee, that a sum of \$500 be allowed each superior court judge, payable quarterly, for traveling expenses. The bill was tabled.

HOUSE.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Daughton, bill for the relief of widows of Confederate soldiers who died from sickness in the war.

Mr. Overman, to provide rules and regulations for contested cases.

Mr. Dorsett, to provide more adequate pay for jurors.

Mr. Fries, to enlarge the jurisdiction of Mayors and chief officers of towns and cities.

The House took up the special order, Pinnix's bill to repeal the present county government law. It provides for the election of five county commissioners in each county; also, magistrates and all county school officers, by the people.

Pritchard offered a substitute for the bill almost identical with it, save that it provides for the election of three commissioners instead of five. There was a hot debate on the bill.

Pinnix, Pritchard and Turner, all Republicans, made an attack upon the present county government system, and were replied to ably by Holt, a Democrat, and Lindsay, an Independent, who contended that the present law was not only best for the people, but was in accordance with the ideas of those wise men who founded the government of this State and who provided over a century ago for such an election of magistrates by the Legislature.

The last speech of the day was made by Wells, Republican, of Buncombe, who said that the present law was odious, harsh and unjust in his county.

PREPARING FOR WAR.

Charlotte Chronicle: From present indications, it looks like war is a foregone conclusion in Europe. There is fight in Bismarck. His utterances before the Reichstag have caused serious alarm in the political and financial circles of the Old World, and his sharp words in reference to France are accepted in some quarters as virtually a declaration of war against the ancient enemy of Germany. A crisis is rapidly approaching. An armed camp is in every county of Europe, and the army lists are being rapidly filled; to such an extent there will not be men enough left to till the soil.

We are told that France is collecting on the frontier more troops than can be sheltered in fortresses and garrisons, and French officials are active in buying lumber for the purpose of building barracks. France, we are told, expended during the last sixteen years \$2,800,000,000 on her military establish-

ment alone; and when the naval budgets are added an aggregate is obtained which adequately explains the increase of the national indebtedness to nearly \$5,000,000,000. Germany, during the same period, has expended \$1,616,000,000 upon its army, in addition to lavish outlay on its fleet.

Whether France will declare war against Germany, or a German army will once more take up the march to Paris, or whether Russia and England will marshal their forces along the Afghan boundary, is yet sealed up in the Book of Fate. But there seems to be no doubt, and reckoning within the range of human probabilities there is no doubt, that before the new year is very much older there will be war in Europe.

A WASHINGTON correspondent of the Goldsboro Messenger, writing under date of Jan. 16, says: "The North Carolina delegation, except Senator Ransom, called upon the President late Friday afternoon. Their purpose was to present to him the request of a large number of citizens that certain officials of the Internal Revenue service in North Carolina should not be retained. They protest against the present management as entailing, if possible, greater hardship, amounting to persecution, than under the former Republican regime, and bringing discredit and injury to the Democratic party. Senator Vance acted as the spokesman, and presented the memorials in behalf of the people. His remarks were well-timed and in his handsomest manner. The President, replying, said that the matter should have his most careful consideration. Whatever wrongs had been or were being brought upon the people of North Carolina through any agency of the United States should be remedied, so far as his power extended."

STATE NEWS.

Hickory Press: We regret to learn that the drug store of Dr. A. P. Keever, at Keeverville, in this county, was burned with its contents on Friday morning (the 14th inst.) at 3 o'clock. Loss \$1,700. Insurance \$1,150. The fire originated from a fue.

Marion Enterprise: Measles prevails in and around town. — Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Neal of our town celebrated the twenty-fourth anniversary of their married life on last Thursday. They had quite a number of their friends and relatives to dine with them on the occasion.

There was a disastrous fire at Reidsville last Sunday morning. The Piedmont hotel, Star warehouse and eight stores were destroyed. Entire loss about \$60,000. Insurance \$21,500. The fire originated in a bar-room and is said to have been the work of an incendiary.

The store of Messrs. B. T. & S. M. Morris, at Dallas, Gaston county, was last Friday morning entirely destroyed by fire, together with all its contents, involving a loss upon Morris Brothers of \$10,000, upon which there is only a small amount of insurance. This affair was the work of burglars.

F. J. Robins, a former citizen of Statesville, who has been a resident of Buncombe county for a short time, committed suicide at Asheville the 19th inst. by cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor. He leaves a wife and a large family of children. He was an invalid and mental depression inspired the deed.

A telegram from the 24th to the News and Observer, from Asheville, says: "There was a heavy storm of thunder and lightning last night, followed by a cold wave about 9 o'clock. The electric light was suddenly extinguished by a shock that injured the dynamo. The whole telephone system was prostrated by the discharge."

Shelby Aurora: Mr. C. C. Erwin, whose press and outfit were consumed by fire last year at Forest City, has transferred his affections to the Lincoln Press, which will be under the control of Messrs. Tipton & Erwin. — The Massachusetts and Southern Construction Company having finished their contract with Cleveland and laid down the last rail in this county on Wednesday received the remainder of our bonds, according to the contract which called for delivery of bonds upon completion of work in Cleveland.

Better stop your cough while you can. Bye and bye nothing will do it. It is worth heeding, that Parker's Tonic is the best thing known for coughs, colds, torpid liver, kidneys and weak lungs. You risk your life in waiting. Take it while there is yet time. j74t.

A MODERN CAIN'S MARK.

The Strange Realization of a Murderer's Dream.

(News and Courier.)

ASHEVILLE, N. C., January 11.— There is in town a monstrosity which has just emerged from the obscurity of the mountains west of here. A man, thirty-five years of age, six feet four in height and without a single hair on his body—such is Terry Shelton, a native of Cherokee county. Ten years ago he had a heavy beard and long black hair of which he was especially proud. In the autumn of 1877 he was tried for murder at Murphy, the county seat of Cherokee. From Col. A. T. Davidson, the Nestor of the bar of western North Carolina, and one of the most prominent members of his profession, are gleaned some of the facts in this unfortunate man's sad story. Col. Davidson was of the counsel for Shelton, who was charged with the murder of his brother.

The prisoner, one morning before the trial came on, sent for his counsel and told them of a remarkable dream he had just had the night before. He said his dead brother had appeared to him and told him that he would be acquitted, but that shortly afterwards he would lose his hair and beard as a mark set upon him for his crime.

Suggestions to the prisoner were made in regard to being as quiet and free from excitement as possible, and forgetting the vision the attorneys returned to court-room.

When a day or two since Col. Davidson saw the unfortunate man without a hair upon his person he saw a terrible realization of that dream in the jail ten years ago. Soon after Shelton's trial and acquittal his hair began dropping out, and continued without pain to do so until his hair and beard were all gone. His skin is soft and smooth as an infant's. His general health seems excellent and he shows no indisposition to show himself and pose as the modern Cain. He is of the firm belief that it is a punishment sent on him for the slaying of his brother.

Logan's and Blair's Widows.

Senator Logan's dead body was hardly out of sight before the Federal Legislature had given his widow a pension of 2000 per year during her life. And at once Senator Vest put a bill through the Senate to give Mr. Blair's widow a pension of 2000.

Why give these men's widows pensions? What have they done more than other citizens, that their widows should be put on the pension rolls over and above other citizens' widows? When will this damnable curse end? There are to-day three hundred thousand worthy widows in this country more needy and dependent than the widow of either Logan or Blair. Why not pension all widows? Mrs. Logan to-day is the absolute owner of more than forty thousand dollars, and does not need the pension granted, in the true sense of the word need. The creation of a civil pension roll is a very dangerous move. We regret to see it, but we are powerless to prevent it. The Democrats are as bad as the Republicans. As soon as a big man dies, there is a race between Democrats and Republicans to see who can first get the widow on the pension rolls. Well the rich must be kept rich and the poor must be kept poor, and we know of no better way to do it, than to tax the poor for the benefit of the rich. If Grover Cleveland had any manhood in him, we would veto both the bills as soon as they reached him. If they gave a pension to the widows of two poor hard working farmers, he would swath them quicker than thought.

[You are right, brother.]

A Gift for All. In order to give all a chance to test it, and thus be convinced of its wonderful curative power, Dr. J. C. New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, will be for a limited time, given away. This offer is not only liberal, but also soundly based in the merits of this great remedy. All who suffer from coughs, colds, consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, or any affection of Throat, chest, or Lungs, are especially requested to call at Tull's Drug Store, and get a Trial Bottle Free. Large Bottles \$1.

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Practices in the State and Federal courts. Special attention given and prompt returns made to all business entrusted to his care.

NOTICE. WE will sell, on Saturday, the 12th of February, 1887, at 12 o'clock, at the old Mt. Pleasant campground, to the highest bidder for cash, the arbor and fixtures and the preachers' tent of said campground.

S. C. KERLEY, W. W. KINCAID, D. H. PEELE, Jan. 21, 1887. Committee.

NOTICE. ORDERED by the Board of Commissioners that publication be made in THE MORGANTON STAR for thirty days that a petition has been presented to the Board of Commissioners for the removal of the voting place in Lower Creek township to the home of James Murphy Kincaid, which petition will be heard and acted upon the 1st Monday in February, 1887.

J. L. J. ESTES, Clerk Bd. Com'r.

NOTICE. WE are buying persimon and dogwood logs from five inches in diameter upwards at the following rates—delivered at our factory at the R. R. station (formerly Messrs. Brittain & Co.'s mill)—Persimon, \$2.50 per cord; Dogwood, \$2.50 per cord. Selected timber running from eight inches (8") and upward \$3.00 per cord, IN CASH. For further information apply at Messrs. Brittain & Co.'s store, Morganton, Dec. 1896. MORGANTON WOOD WORKING CO.

NOTICE. HAVING qualified as administrator de bonis non of John A. Dickson deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of January, 1888, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to come forward and settle at once and save cost. JOS. BRITTAI, Adm'r de bonis non of John A. Dickson. This 14, day of January, 1887.

NOTICE. BY virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Burke county in R. J. Hallyburton adm'r of W. S. Sudderth, deceased, against D. M. Sudderth and others, heirs at law, I will, on Monday, the 7th day of February, 1887, offer at public sale at the Court House, in Morganton, the interest of W. S. Sudderth, deceased, in the following tract of land, and town lots, namely:

An undivided interest in the tract commonly known as the J. R. Sudderth, or Murphy, place, lying on John's river, containing—acres more or less, subject to the dower of D. M. Sudderth, widow, which has been assigned to her.

An undivided one-fourth interest in two valuable town lots lying on Green street, below the Tate lots, containing four acres, more or less.

Terms: Twenty per cent cash in hand, the balance on six months on bond and security, and title resumed till purchase money is paid.

R. J. HALLYBURTON, Adm'r. By S. C. W. TATE, Att'y. Dec. 28, 1886. Morganton, N. C. j74t.

NOTICE. BY virtue of a deed of trust to me executed by D. M. and W. S. Sudderth and registered in the Register's office of Burke county, in book J, pages 254, 255 and 256, I will, on Monday, the 7th day of February, 1887, offer at public sale at the Court House in Morganton, a tract of valuable land lying in Burke county, on the North side of the Catawba river, near the Rocky Ford bridge, adjoining the Sudderth lands, containing 200 acres, more or less, of which a part is in cultivation, and produces well. Terms cash.

S. C. W. TATE, Trustee of JOHN MARTIN, Assignee. Jan. 1, 1887. 167.

R. G. ROSS, CONTRACTOR, BUILDER AND MANUFACTURER OF SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, MOUNTING, CEILING, WEATHERBOARDING.

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We will do repairing on furniture at short notice and at reasonable rates. When in need of any article in our line, don't fail to give us a call.

Very respectfully, P. B. BREWTON & CO. MORGANTON, N. C.

NOTICE. BY virtue of an order of the Superior Court in the case of Jos. Mull and others, vs. Thos. Duckworth and wife, I will sell at public auction, at the Court House door in the town of Morganton, on Monday, the 7th day of February, 1887, the following described tract of land, to-wit: Lying in Burke county on the waters of Long Creek, adjoining A. B. Hawkins and others, granted to Peter Mull by the State of N. C., on the 5th Oct. 1855, containing 95 acres, as by reference to grant will more fully appear.

Said land re-sold by reason of a ten per cent. bid, for partition. Bidding to commence at \$121 11, Moulton William's bid.

Terms, one-third cash, balance in 12 months, note and approved security required, title retained till purchase money is paid.

I. T. AVERY, Com'r. Jan. 7, 1887. 4t.

FORSALE. A valuable farm of 400 acres, situated in the county of Burke upon the waters of Silver Creek, 8 miles west of Morganton and 3 miles from Glen Alpine Station, on the W. N. C. R. R. Said farm is known as the Jno. McElrath place, is well watered, and well adapted to the growth of corn, wheat, and tobacco. There is a fine forest of pine upon said land, suitable for either shingles or lumber.

Also 100 acres upland, finely timbered, adjoining said 400 acres. For terms apply to MRS. ANNA URBAN, Agent, or C. F. McKESSON, Att'y. Nov. 12, 1886.—6m.

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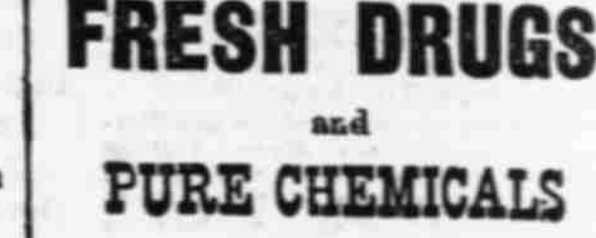
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