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Asheville is getting fresh shad now. Blue-birds have been singing for a week or more.

The nations of Europe disavow any intention of going to war.

Dr. Frost went to Franklin on Tuesday, returning last night.

James Henry of Horse Cove died suddenly on Friday last.

One of Mr. Munger's sons fell from a tree one day last week, breaking his leg.

Rev. H. W. Flinn and wife of New Orleans, and Mrs. Wylie of Baltimore, arrived last night.

The sidewalk on Main Street in front of Mr. Walden's store has been lowered; this is a great improvement.

The Rev. Harvey W. Flinn of New Orleans, La., will preach in the Presbyterian church in Highlands on Sunday, the 6th inst., at 11 o'clock; also at 3:30 p.m., in the same church.

There is an opinion current that the homestead law is largely responsible for the high rate of interest in North Carolina.—*Pine Knot.*

Through the influence of Senator Ransom and Capt. T. D. Johnston, the Wilmington public building fund has been increased to \$200,000.

The weather lately has been very mild and spring-like. Thermometer on 29th, 39 degs.; 30th, 34 degs.; 31st, 39 degs.; Feb. 1st, 42 degs.; 2nd, 55 degs.; 3rd, 53 degs. Light rains on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Thermometer this morning 50 degs.

The cotton mills of the South are very prosperous. One earned 17 per cent. last year, one paid a cash dividend of 20 per cent., and one is running day and night. Others are paying good dividends.

Mr. C. L. Boynton has a beautiful golden eagle which was caught by the foot in a trap set by Mr. Keener. It will be killed, stuffed and mounted. It measures 7 feet 1 inch from tip to tip. We hear that Mr. F. Boynton, Curator of the Scientific Society, has purchased it.

Mrs. McCall, who had passed her ninety-third year, died on Jan. 29. More than ten months ago she was so seriously ill that her death was hourly expected for some days, but she rallied and lingered until Saturday night. She was buried at Clear Creek on Monday.

In the House of Representatives a pension bill has been passed by a vote of 179 yeas to 16 nays giving to all persons who served three months in the Army or Navy and who have been honorably discharged, and who are now disabled mentally or physically, not on account of their own vicious habits or carelessness, and are dependent on their daily labor for support, the sum of \$12.00 per month.

In Highlands and its vicinity there is an abundance of unused water power, sufficient for a large number of manufactories. Manufacturing does much towards building up a town. Besides giving employment to labor it makes a home market for all sorts of produce, and increases business of every kind.

Moles have been exceedingly plentiful and destructive here for the last year, and field mice also; owls and hawks, especially the former, live chiefly upon these last, and there is no effectual way of getting rid of the troublesome creatures except to encourage the presence of these birds. Owls are among our most useful birds, and it would be well if they were protected by legislation.

The war is not over yet. There is now in Bascom's store an old Confederate sorghum barrel filled with some of the identical article (for aught we know) which did such good service over twenty years ago in making the daily fare of the soldier more tolerable. It must be a pretty good article of molasses by this time, if it improves by age as so many things in this world do. The barrel was recognised by an old Confederate soldier who was pretty sure he had eaten sorghum from it many a time.

Says the Raleigh correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch: "Cold as North Carolina, or at least the greater part of it, is, it is yet semitropical in some respects, as becomes a State where the palmetto attains a height of twenty-five feet. So, early as it is, the truckers are at work. They are planting green peas. The strawberry plants, as well as the young cabbage, look well. This is in the Albemarle, Pamlico, and the Wilmington sections. It is said that more peas will be planted in the Elizabeth City section than ever before, and the prospects are good."—*Asheville Citizen.*

In a letter to the *Christian Register* of Boston, Rev. G. L. Chaney of Atlanta writes as follows concerning Highlands and his trip here early in Dec. It will be remembered that Mr. Chaney came here to preach to the little Unitarian Society in this place:—

"When they wrote, asking me to visit them, I could not refuse, although they were a hundred and eighty miles away, and the last thirty of those miles was by a rough wagon road all the way up hill. Highlands is four thousand feet above the sea. No place east of the Rocky Mountains has a permanent dwelling-house at so high an elevation as some of these houses in Highlands. The air is said to be a panacea for all diseases, including laziness. Colored people will not live there, perhaps for this reason. Only for the summer months can one hire colored help. The town has been developed by an enterprising Northerner; and he hopes to bring the railroad near enough to it, in time, to make it easily accessible. At present, one must drive over a rather rough road to get there. In June or in any mild month, the trip is no hardship for well people. Even invalids are so inspired by the air and fascinated by the scenery that they usually make the whole journey in one day. We drove up from Walhalla, S. C., the nearest railway station; and, although the season was late, and the drive a chilly one, we had no sense of discomfort. Arrived at the village, we soon saw and made the acquaintance of most of the little flock, and were not a little surprised to find that the active originator of the whole movement was a lady whom we had married in the old days, at Hollis Street, in Boston. And the sort of a woman she is appears when one learns that, after having a hemorrhage of the lungs on a Friday, she read a sermon and conducted services in the little school-house on the Sunday following."

—*Manufacturer's Record*:—Bills have been introduced in the North Carolina legislature to incorporate the Danville & North Carolina Railroad Co.; the Shelby, Glen Alpine & Cranberry Railroad; the Atlanta, Asheville & Baltimore Railroad; the Albemarle & Pantego Railroad Co.; the Henderson & Virginia Railroad Co.; the Asheville & Brevard Railroad; the Carolina Manufacturing Co.; the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Co., and the Atlanta, Franklin & Knoxville Short Line Railroad Co.

It is reported that John T. Wilder, Roan Mountain, Tenn., will erect a large steel plant in Mitchell county, N. C.

The following extract from a letter received by one of our citizens from a friend in Wisconsin we commend to Highlanders who grumble about the comparatively little cold and snow we have: "We have a cold wave twice a week and a thaw with rain just as often. I see by the papers that seven feet and a half of snow has fallen at Brattleboro, Vt., so far this winter, with prospect for more. They hope not to be obliged to 'scrape around on bare ground' much another summer."

John Wanamaker will probably be nominated for Mayor of Philadelphia.

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This 27th of Dec., 1886.

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