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THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1908.

Hon. J. R. Blair left for Raleigh Monday evening to attend an extra session of the General Assembly of North Carolina for the purpose of amending the Rate Law so as to permit the railroads to charge 2 1-2 cents per mile. Last winter the Legislature had a time of it in Raleigh passing the 2-1-4 cent rate. Some of the members wanted to make it 2 cents. It will be remembered that the Senate passed the 2 1-2 cent rate last winter but the House would not agree, though we believe a majority of the people believe it to be best to name the higher rate. Hind-sight is always best. However, though we have paid rather dear for the whistle, the conflict has probably done good, in that the railroads will have more respect for the people, and the people more respect for the rights of the railroads. Those who are looking for something good to say about Senator Blair can recall his attitude upon the rate act. We hope the rate bill as agreed upon will be promptly passed and followed by immediate adjournment. No other matter should come before the session; prohibition is coming fast enough and should be let alone.

## MONTGOMERY SUPERIOR COURT.

The court convened on Monday morning, the presiding judge being the Hon. Council, who took his place at about 10 o'clock. Both his Honor and the Solicitor were on the sick list on Sunday, and in charging the grand jury, the judge began with an apology for his inability on that account, to address them at the usual length. In the course of his remarks he directed their attention to the advisability of providing the county with a better courthouse, saying truly that wooden buildings were out of date. A fine building as evidence of the prosperity of the community may be regarded in the light of a profitable advertising investment, drawing the attention of visitors to the resourceable end and the progressive spirit of the county. His Honor rightly pointed out that the actual burden on the tax-payers would be too small to be felt by anyone, and that the growing wealth of the county would come in to pay the cost in a short time.

At the commencement of the proceedings Messrs. Blair and Fry had to ask for the continuation of the cases in which they were retained, both these gentlemen being compelled to go to the opening of the Legislature. The cases thus continued included almost all the dockets, which, to begin with, was a very small one—only about one fourth of the average number of cases being listed. The trial of the two colored men, charged with the murder of Miss Harper, was continued; with the rest Mr. Hammer being unwilling to go to trial without the assistance of Mr. Blair, who represented the State at the preliminary hearing, and Mr. Blair urging that the State could not, even if he remained to assist the Solicitor, try the case in the absence of Mr. John Henderson, one of the witnesses, who is, we are sorry to say, lying in Troy with a leg broken in two places. The result of an accident with a runaway team. Mr. Poole, who represents the prisoner, Press Rush, made a hard fight to have his client tried or released on bond, but without avail, and both prisoners having been arraigned and having pleaded not guilty were sent back to jail to wait their trial next September. The remaining cases were quickly disposed of and the work of the court was finished before 6 o'clock, only the grand jury sitting on Tuesday and Wednesday. Three negroes were sent to the Randolph chancery.

## OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

Dear Editor:—The Legislature of North Carolina convened in extraordinary session today at 11 o'clock, pursuant to the proclamation issued by the governor on Jan. 23. This is the first extraordinary session of the General Assembly since 1880, during the administration of Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis, governor. As will be recalled the specific purpose for

the session of 1880 was a railroad matter, so it is with the present session.

There were present at the calling of the roll today, 110 representatives and 47 senators, in fact a larger attendance of lawmakers than on the first day of the regular session of 1907. After the usual routine of organization and exchanges of messages between the two houses, a messenger arrived from the Executive office transporting the message of his Excellency, the governor, which was read, and 500 copies of the same ordered to be printed. There were no bills or resolutions introduced or passed, except one or two pertaining to railroad rate regulation, asking for information.

The Prohibition folks are here in large a quantity. The State Anti-Saloon league, established at its headquarters here yesterday, and the trains brought in delegates from every quarter. This p. m. a large and enthusiastic convention was held at the Academy of music, and address delivered by Governor Glenn and others. Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis could not get here on account of sickness, and the counsel and wisdom of that grand old man was a feature that was lacking, much to the disappointment of the Prohibition forces.

At this early part of the session it is quite difficult to surmise what the assembly will do, either as to railroad rates, or Prohibition, or other measures that may present themselves.

However, the Committee on Regulation of Public Service Corporations, held a meeting this afternoon and have gone into the work in earnest. That something will be done along this line is evident, but what, well, that is another question. It is also hard to tell, and nobody knows what the sentiment of the lawmakers is on State Prohibition.

A large delegation on special train from Salisbury, with banners on the car, which was "Prohibition for Salisbury."

R. O. Fry.

## HOME CIRCLE COLUMN.

Pleasant Evening Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

### A Sermon to Husbands.

We are not a minister, or even the son of a minister, so pardon us if we make a dismal failure in our first attempt to preach a sermon. You will find our text in the bible. It is not necessary to give the chapter and verse, but look for it. In brief it is this: Spend some of your evenings at home with your wife and children. If you have an amiable gentle wife, surely your home must be a pleasant one, but if from increasing cares or other reasons, she has grown fretful or sullen, who knows but a little more attention or kindness on your part might do a great deal towards the return of the amiability you so much admired in her girlhood. If you would stay at home oftener evenings, treating her with something of the old tenderness, making her believe, at least, that you are not wholly indifferent to her happiness, you would soon see a change for the better in your household.

She has not forgotten the time, if you have, (not very long ago, perhaps) when her society was all you asked for to make the long evenings pass delightfully away. Loving you as she did, she would have gone on through life in the same quiet way, contented and happy. But, alas, you soon grew tired of the same room evening after evening, the same easy chair, and the saddest of all, weary of the society of your wife—impatient of the restraints of home, longing for a change. So you spend your evenings away, meeting many gay, companionable fellows, who entertain you with wit, song and wine, and you fancy yourself delighted and charmed. Perhaps there are moments of reflection, when conscience seems whispering to you of the pure, holy influences of home which you have so recklessly and unfeelingly cast away from you. Your lonely wife sits by the fireside, watching and waiting for your return though the hours that drag slowly along, listening eagerly to every footfall, starting at every sound, fearing, she knows not what, yet conscious always of the weary heartaches that seem wearing her life away. Evening after evening she watches your preparations for departure, hoping, meanwhile, you will relent and stay at home with her. But you hastily don your hat and coat, turning your back resolutely towards her, tearing to encounter that gaze of wistful expectancy, for you know she is watching you, with tears silently rolling down her pale cheeks. You know it, still you do not think best to notice it, for you dislike a scene. Tears annoy you exceedingly, so you close the door, perhaps with a bang, trying hard to feel very

indignant towards her for daring to weep, even behind your back. So the lovely wife brushes away the falling tears, and sits down with bitterness in her heart, to compare the last years of her married life to those first ones, made so bright and happy by her husband's love and presence.

Some times softer feelings fill her heart, and she dreams of that dear old home she left for this one—the home she that sheltered her childhood and youth; and as she thinks of her beloved parents her brothers and sisters the light, the warmth and love in the old homestead, no wonder she bows her head and weeps by her lonely fireside, like a griefed, homesick child. Of course no husbands in this community act in this manner; if they did we would suggest that their wives read to them this sermon as so near the beginning of a new year is a good time to begin a change.

### A Great Evil.

Our race groans under evils, and carries burdens heavy to be borne. Some of these may be traced back to the first sin, and are beyond our control; but most of them are of our own producing and may be arrested by a resolute act of the will, or by aids which come from other sources.

Two evils now fill the land and world which are of human invention, and are sustained by human authority. One of these is alcoholic drinks and the other is tobacco. Of the latter we will say a few words. This has grown and overspread the nations of the earth till now it challenges observation, reflection, and the exercise of enlightened conscience while looking the fact in the face. Such is its extent that many millions of acres are occupied in its growth, producing millions of tons annually and costing the human race fifteen thousand millions of dollars. How appalling such a state of things while want and suffering are all around us. Yet this enormous expenditure is entirely useless. No one claims that he is the better for the use of tobacco in any form. It is a mere habit, innocently formed, and, while at first perhaps a pleasure, has grown to be a master and a tyrant.

Not only this, but it is an offensive, filthy habit, finding no place in the church, in the parlor or elsewhere, as a high order of society meets and indulges in exercises which the higher nature craves.

Multitudes using it are ashamed of the fruits of it, and would be glad to be rid of it if they knew how to break its enchantment. But this is not at all, or often the worst of it. It is injurious to health and when taken to excess operates as of a poisonous nature weakening the system and leading to premature death.

Such evils, together with its enormous expenditure, ought to make sober, reflecting, conscientious men consider whether it can be right to continue such a habit as this.

### Leap Year Troubles.

Now, girls, is your chance. The Montgomerian says if we do not get off this year it will be no fault of theirs, so I guess we will have to get about and hustle.

Well I do not know how we poor mortals will make a start unless we take the old bachelor's plan, but I feel a little delicacy in starting that way, for I fear the boys do not average quite as good as the girls. But for the bachelor's plan, living in a neat little cottage with his mother, all was peace and happiness, until his mother was taken from him, and the poor fellow did not know what to do. Being one of these bashful kind, he had never ventured to associate with any of the fairer sex, and this made the future problem all the more difficult.

So after about twelve months of his loneliness, he decided to hunt him a "help-mate". The next Sunday morning after he had made this decision, found him with his horse and buggy on the road going to see "Louisa Higgins", as he considered her the prettiest girl he knew. On arriving he found her preparing to go to church, and after considerable difficulty, cornered her off and put the fatal question to her, whereupon she refused saying her heart and hand belonged to another.

Leaving "Louisa", he proceeded on his course, determined not to go back home alone. His next place was to see "Sarah Anne Potts", as next best, but again he met a refusal. Determined, he went to the third and to the fourth, but she accepted. "My! How old did you say?" "Forty. Yes and a widow."

"My land!" "Say girls, if that is the best we can do, let's don't start. Not many of us have a horse and buggy and you know it would never do to start on an ankle excursion."

I just guess we will have to make the best of the opportunity that is offered, and if we do not succeed, it will not be our fault, so there. —Annona.

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## Ether News Notes.

Mr. H. Freeman made a business trip to Carthage last week.

Messrs. C. T. Boroughs and Malcolm Freeman have had their residences painted recently.

Mr. Hal Locky is visiting home folks at Farmer.

Mrs. A. L. Freeman, and children, from near Carthage, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. R. L. Freeman, who is attending school at Why Not, spent Sunday at home.

Mr. S. C. Calcott made a business trip to Greensboro last week.

The school at Poplar Springs is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Pearle Auman, of Asbury.

Rev. R. L. Williamson filled his regular appointment here Sunday evening.

Mr. Eli Freeman has recently finished and moved into his new residence.

Mr. C. T. Boroughs has bought the interest of Mr. T. H. Wood in the roller mill here, of which he is manager.

Mr. W. Farlow, one of our popular merchants, is doing a good business at this place.

There will be a mock trial at the academy Friday night, Jan. 24. Everybody is invited to attend.

Mr. W. I. Auman is confined to his room with la grippe.

Misses Donnan and Myrtle Stout, of Star, visited at the home of Mr. C. T. Boroughs Sunday.

The school at this place is progressing nicely under the efficient management of Mr. E. H. Wood and his assistant, Mrs. Wood. The music class is taught by Miss Bessie Johnson, of Farmer. The enrollment since Christmas is 125, several of whom are boarding students. Among those who have recently entered are Misses Lillie and Rosa McCleod, and Hester Reynolds, of Okewamee; Lula Nichols, of Abner; Cumi Sykes, of Ether, and Mr. John Russell, of Troy. Others are expected to enter soon.

Mr. Kell Freeman has returned home from Carthage, where he has been employed at H. Freeman & Sons saw mill. He says he has come to stay. Can't see what is the trouble unless it is staying so far from his best girl.

This is leap year, but there is not but few of our girls that are making use of it.

Mr. J. A. Barnes has just returned from a business trip to Greensboro.

Miss Otta Williams, of Worthville, is visiting her brother, Oscar Williamson.

Mr. Remas Criscoe looks very well, considering what he has had to contend with. He does not or can't sleep well.

Mr. Jas. Freeman, and wife, of Sanford, have moved back to their old home near here; we are glad they have decided to stay with us.

If we don't have some fair weather we are going to have to pull someone out of the mud. Muddy roads and panic is all the talk up here.

Mr. J. A. Barnes lost a fine cow a few days ago.

Mr. S. H. Freeman has his lumber ready and will begin work on his residence near the academy soon.

If there is not a change for worse in a few days, the Register of Deeds is going to be bothered with some of the boys.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the sheriff of Montgomery county, on the 5th day of May, 1908, for a deed to 299 acres of land in Ophir township, listed by James Shears, and sold on the 5th day of May, 1907 for taxes due for 1906. This January 13th 1908. BARN A ALLEN, Purchaser.

### Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the sheriff of Montgomery county, on the 5th day of May, 1908 for a deed to seven acres of land in Rocky Springs township, listed by G. P. Long, and sold on the 6th day of May, 1907 for taxes due for 1906. This January 13th, 1908. BARN A ALLEN, Purchaser.

### Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the sheriff of Montgomery county, on the 5th day of May, 1908, for a deed to 7 1-2 acres of land in Hollingsworth township, listed by C. C. Cameron, and sold on the 6th day of May, 1907, for taxes due for 1906. This January 13th, 1908. BARN A ALLEN, Purchaser.

### Notice.

I hereby give notice that Hartie Lilly has this day entered for 50 acres of land in Mt. Gilead township, Montgomery county, on the waters of Little Town Creek, adjoining the lands of W. H. Parker, Cole Robinson, the Hicks land, owned by J. M. Overton or M. B. Lassiter; and others. The said Hartie Lilly will be entitled to a warrant for the survey of said land if no protest is filed within 30 days from this date. This 6th day of Jan. 1908. O. B. DEATON, Entry Taker.

### Notice.

I hereby give notice that R. T. Poole has this day entered for 50 acres of land in Cheeks Creek and Mt. Gilead townships, Montgomery county, on the waters of Little River, adjoining the lands of R. T. Poole, Edie Martin, W. I. Hayward, Bill D. Morris lands, and others. The said R. T. Poole will be entitled to a warrant for the survey of said land if no protest is filed within 30 days from this date. This 12th day of January, 1908. O. B. DEATON, Entry Taker.

## Executor's Notice!

Having qualified as executor of W. B. Owen, deceased, late of Montgomery county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, 1908, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 11th day of January, 1908. W. L. FREEMAN, Executor.

## Administrator's Notice

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. S. E. C. Livingston, deceased, late of Montgomery county, this is to notify all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment to me. All persons having claims against said estate will present them to me on or before December 31st, 1907, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This December 21st, 1907. A. C. HAYWOOD, Adm'r.

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