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OLD TIMES IN BURKE.

Sketches of the Pioneers. David Copeland, John Rutherford, and others.

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DAVID CORPENING.

The youngest of the Corpening family, married Mary, a daughter of Joseph Perkins, and inherited the John's river plantation from his father, Albert, a warm friend of mine, a man of sterling worth, remarkable for his strong common sense, high moral character; and was in my opinion, and in that of many others, one of the best and most skillful farmers of the country.

THE BALLEW FAMILY.

The Ballews of Burke, old pioneers and ancestors of numerous descendants now living in McDowell, Caldwell and Burke, were of French origin. The spelling of the name, antedated the original orthography, which was Balloo.

JOHN RUTHERFORD—THE WORK OF DR. ABERNETHY.

John Rutherford, Sr., of Bridge-water, married Nancy Ballew, by whom he had five children, two sons and three daughters—John, Robert, Nancy and Celina. John Rutherford, Jr., one of the wealthiest of Burke's citizens, was in many respects a remarkable man. He was somewhat quaint and eccentric. He was well read in history and light literature. His place he named after the Earl of Bridgewater, (not, as many suppose, because he built a bridge crossing Muddy creek, leading to his residence.)

MR. RUTHERFORD WAS NEAR-SIGHTED.

Mr. Rutherford was myopic, being what is commonly called near-sighted; so much so that he could not distinguish by form or feature his most intimate acquaintances, and when meeting them, would never call their names. He had had spoken of from long practice, and from the well-known fact that if one of the organs of the body is defective, another is strengthened correspondingly, he had become very expert in recognizing them either by the tone of voice, or enunciation of those with whom he associated, and would soon afterwards speak to them by name. His manner was such as led them to believe that he thought he had deceived them as to his eyesight being defective, and this attempt to deceive was practiced on his own family. In proof of this one of his sisters was asked by my mother, "Miss C. why don't you induce your brother to wear spectacles?" She replied, "So useful and relieve him from his near-sightedness." She replied, "Oh! Mrs. Walton, I would not do so on any account for fear of offending him. He does not know or suspect that we are aware of this defect." W. B. Rust, Esq., near neighbor and maternal uncle, who, himself was near-sighted, and wore glasses, in speaking of this idiosyncrasy of his nephew told me that once being in the room where Mr. R. had been writing a letter at his desk, unfinished, he, Rutherford, left the room. He concluded that if Mr. R. would only put on his (Rust's) spectacles, being adapted to his eyes and seeing the great advantage they would be to him, he would forego his prejudice against the use of them. Taking off his

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ADVERTISING RATES.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER.

Hot Weather in Florida. The Ponce de Leon—Scene in St. Augustine—Tampa—"The Almighty Dollar"—Men Who Run Wild.

Tampa, Fla., Jan. 15, 1894. To the Editor of The Herald:

Seated comfortably in an up-town hotel, with a cake of ice bandaged to my head and one of John Allen's fanning mills whirring up and running at full blast at my feet, to keep me from having sun-stroke in this semi-tropical region, it has occurred to me that there may be in my old country some who would like to hear from this section of Florida where "there is perpetual spring, and the orange blossoms grow."

JOHN RUTHERFORD'S SISTERS.

His sisters, Misses Nancy, Jane and Celina, were pious, amiable, modest ladies. Miss Celina, the youngest, having associated more with other refined ladies of her sex, was not so peculiar or eccentric as her sisters, who were old-fashioned, long hood-sided bonnet-wearers, possibly indicating that they did not want to catch beaux. However, this may be they were much attached to their bonnets, which were certainly attached to them. In proof of this I will give an incident. At home or abroad they were never seen without them. About the year 1829 or 1830, these good ladies made my mother a visit and concluded, at her solicitation, to spend the night. At the time there were several young girls of "sweet sixteen" boarding at my father's going to school. One of these full of curiosity (not unusual with her sex) and mischief, Eliza G. Tate, of "Hickory Grove," got permission to sleep in the same room with the Misses Rutherford, in which there were two beds determined as she said, to see whether they slept in their bonnets.

AN AMUSING ANECDOTE.

The next day she gave the following account of that she witnessed: "I went to bed before they came up stairs. The fire was burning low when they entered the room. They sat down near the fire with bonnets on, whispering in low tones. I thought they never would go to bed. Finally, the fire went out, they undressed, put on their night robes, bonnets 'statu quo' on their heads; when all of a sudden they blew the candle out and all was dark. I said to myself, 'Never mind old girls, I'll catch you in the morning.' I waked early, it was hardly light, and behold! there they sat in their night gowns with their everlasting bonnets on." Miss Nancy was twice engaged to be married. When her first engaged lover came prompt at the appointed time, a change had come "over the spirit of her dreams." She said to him, "I am not ready; the pockets of my wedding gown are still unmade." This quondam lover left disgusted, never to return. The second was not more fortunate than the first.

HE WOULDN'T SWIM.

Reaching Morganton on his way to reach the abode of his intended bride on the evening of the day appointed for his wedding, he found it impossible to do so without risking his life by swimming in the swollen waters of Silver Muddy creek. The next morning he hastened to explain and apologize. He found her in no fit mood to be appeased by explanations, apologies and regrets, but sent the crest fallen lover off with this parting thrust of the tongue: "If I am not worth the swimming of two small streams, I am not worth having." Unless I am very much mistaken, a majority, if not all, of the fair sex who honor the writer by reading these reminiscences of the olden time, will agree if either of these cold lovers' hearts, had been pierced by cupid darts he would not have been so easily repulsed, but enamored, on bended knees, would have poured forth with suffused eyes, appeals of touching frequency and fervidness, portraying the endless misery of his future life, caused by the cruel rejection of his proffered love. Her heart softened by these devotional appeals and by persistent perseverance afterward, the prospect for future success, would have brightened and possibly the dearest wish of his heart would have been realized. (To be Continued.)

CURRENT COMMENT.

Sometimes a Condensation from Exchanges.

On January 15th, eleven people were killed in a wreck on the Delaware, Lackawana and Western Railroad. Fifteen offers, aggregating \$40,000,000, to take the new bonds have been received at the Treasury department. The Astors have bought up the \$6,700,000 U. S. bonds issued to the Cherokees for the purchase of the Cherokee strip.

JOHN BUCHANAN, A NEGRO, WHO ASSAULTED A YOUNG WHITE GIRL AND A MIDDLE AGED NEGRO WOMAN NEAR VALLEY PARK, MO., WAS CARRIED FROM JAIL BY A MOB AND LYCHED ON JANUARY THE 17TH.

If some of the London papers are to be believed John Bull intends to interfere should this country annex Hawaii. His own affairs are about as much as he can attend to at present and he will find it wiser "to keep hands off."

A CONFIRMATION TO JUDGE BYNUM.

The Herald takes pleasure in copying the following portion of an unusually complimentary notice of Judge Bynum: "This term of Pitt Superior Court is being presided over by Judge John Gray Bynum. And the above sentence may be taken for just exactly what it says, as the court, or even going there as spectators, are his own way of expressing things, and does not waste much time, nor a great deal of breath, in coming to a point. In fact, he says himself that he is a plain man and calls things by their right names—if a thing is white he says it's white, and if it's black he says it's black, and has no parleying about it. While he has his own method of running the court, the general opinion is that he is doing it well."

THE MAN IS RIGHT.

The friends of our good friends, Prof. W. E. Abernethy and Dr. John Tull—two of the most estimable citizens of Burke county—who advocate the nomination of these gentlemen for the Senate, are not wise in their generation when they select the Topic as the medium through which to publish the claims of their favorites, for it is, cannot lay claim to as many readers in the State of Burke as our much-beloved contemporary the Morganton Herald, cherishes and feeds, with literary pabulum of the choicest variety. To reach the men of Burke, who have this matter to decide we advise our friends to become valued contributors to the columns of our esteemed contemporary across the two rivers.—Le-nair Topic.

JERRY SIMPSON WILL VOTE FOR THE TARIFF BILL.

He Wants the Knife to Deepen—Expects Relief from Reduction.

The Washington Post quotes the following summary of Mr. Simpson's speech: "Mr. Simpson, of Kansas, said that while he intended to vote for this bill, there were many propositions in it that did not meet with his approval, but, inasmuch as it was a robber tariff, at least 20 per cent. lower than the McKinley bill, he should have to support it."

NORTH CAROLINA JOTTINGS.

NEWS OF THE STATE. Items of Interest from North Carolina. C. M. Busbee is expected to get the postoffice in Raleigh. New Bern is to hold her seventh annual fair, Feb. 19th to the 24th. R. O. Patterson has been appointed to succeed the U. S. Court Clerk, J. E. Reid.

THE CONFEDERATE VETERAN CAMP OF NEW YORK, GAVE ITS FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER IN HONOR OF THE MEMORY OF GEN. ROBERT LEE, ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BIRTHDAY, JANUARY THE 19TH.

The Confederate veteran camp of New York, gave its fourth annual dinner in honor of the memory of Gen. Robert Lee, on the anniversary of his birthday, January the 19th. Mrs. Jefferson Davis and Miss Winnie Davis were present. The monopoly of the telephone, enjoyed so long by the Bell Telephone Company, will expire with the present month. Beginning with the first of February, telephones can be bought out right for what it previously cost to rent one for a year.

CHARLES HENDERSON, OF WELLS-TOWN, OHIO, IS GOING TO SOUTH AMERICA AFTER BURIED ASSURANCE THAT HE KNOWS OF, AND HAS INVITED A FRIEND IN VALPARAISO, IND., TO GO WITH HIM.

Charles Henderson, of Wells-town, Ohio, is going to South America after buried assurance that he knows of, and has invited a friend in Valparaiso, Ind., to go with him. It appears that a good while ago Henderson was a sub-officer on a slaver, which traded from the African coast to Brazil. One day the vessel was attacked by an American cruiser, and her captain ran her ashore on a small island. He told Henderson that he had \$75,000 in gold aboard, and that he would give him half if he would help him secrete it. They reached the shore and buried the gold, and a short time afterwards the captain and several of the crew died of the smallpox, and all the others, but Henderson and one companion, were drowned by the capsizing of their boat, as they were attempting to leave the island. The survivors were picked up and brought to New Orleans. Recently Henderson had a legacy left him and he has bought a vessel to go after his treasure.—Exchange.

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