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A Trip To Florida.

Owing to other matters claiming our attention our reference to our pleasant trip to "the land of flowers" will be brief.

It was our pleasure to attend the National Editorial Association which convened at St. Augustine, the oldest city in America. There were delegates from every state and territory and counting wives and other members of their families the aggregate was some 800.

St. Augustine is a city of some 15,000 souls, and is a blending of the old with the new. On the one hand is all the splendor, beauty and magnificence of modern architecture, on the other is the grotesque grandeur of other days. The special places of interest are many, and would fill columns if we had time to mention them. Of course it goes without saying that a trip to Florida cannot be otherwise than delightful.

Brother Britt, of Oxford, and myself accompanied the excursion down the east coast to Palm Beach, a delightful winter resort. The freeze last winter killed the orange groves, thus preventing us the privilege of gathering orange blossoms; but we wandered amid the palm and pine apple, plucked flowers from the evergreen gardens, captured gophers on the sand hills, chased sandfiddlers about the beach, gathered shells by the sea-shore, etc., all of which was as pleasant as a summer dream.

And after all this we got home alive.

Married Too Much and is Gone.

There are occasional occurrences that show that the blessings and afflictions of life are hardly equally divided among the human constituency in this life. For instance we have just learned of a fellow who married twice within a month and having too many wives for this country has gone to seek some other clime, more congenial for his health. If marrying be a blessing, he was blessed one too many, and if it be an affliction, the burden was one too much to bear. But to the facts:—something over a month ago one Ant. Dula, of this county, was married to a Miss Adkins. They lived happily together, we suppose, nothing appearing to the contrary. But Ant. made a trip into Watauga. While there he met a bonnie mountain lassie with ruby lips and sparkling eyes, and became infatuated. He forgot for the moment his hearth-stone in Wilkes, where "Sat his sulky, sullen dame, Gathering her brows like gathering storm, Nursing her wrath to keep it warm,"

He went to Boone, procured license and was immediately joined to his second lassie.

But "Care, mad to see a man see happy" soon reminded him that his other wife was waiting and watching for "home returning, and also that the law would like to hold a caucus with his carcass. Soon realizing this, he stepped hurriedly aside, and the place that knew him then, knows him not now, perhaps forever. If the officers should get him, he will probably find a boarding place in the regions round about Raleigh.

DEATH'S VICTIM.

Death of Mr. John T. Finley, Sr.

On last Monday our community was pained by the sad intelligence that Mr. John T. Finley, Sr., was dead. He died at his residence near Wilkesboro, that morning at half past eight o'clock. He had been seriously ill about two weeks with gripe complicated with pleurisy and his death was not unexpected.

He was born Aug. 9th, 1817, and was over 78 years of age when he passed into the great beyond. His life was one of usefulness and uprightness and his character that of a true Christian and noble man.

In 1838 he participated in the Cherokee war and assisted in the removal of the Cherokee Indians beyond the Mississippi. Leaving home as a lieutenant he was afterward promoted to captain and served his country in this capacity with the same zealous devotion to duty which characterized his every action during his long and useful life. On July 22nd, 1846, he married Miss Sarah Ann Gordon, a sister of Gen. James B. Gordon, dec'd, and from this happy union lasting nearly fifty years, eight children were born, six of whom are still living. About 1850 he removed to Alabama remaining there till about 1863, when he returned to his native home. For a number of years subsequent to the war he was a member of the Board of County Commissioners and its chairman, and the way he managed the finances of the county, bringing it from a condition of insolvency to a position where it was free from indebtedness, attested the fact that he did his full duty and made one of the best public officials our county has ever had.

When quite young he connected himself with the Presbyterian church and during the remainder of his life was one of its most devoted members, filling for years, the position of Deacon and Elder therein, giving liberally of his means to the support of the cause of christianity, and teaching by his upright life and pure example the inestimable value of its tenets. When at last death came and gathered him to his father it had no terrors for him for it found him prepared, but it left a gap in church and state that will be hard to fill. Plain, fearless, honest, unpretentious but elevated by an innate nobleness of character his usefulness did not die with him, but will live on, an example worthy of emulation by younger generations an antithesis to meanness and vice, a stimulus to higher aspirations, a guide for time, an index for eternity. While we mourn his loss below, angels herald his eternal gain as they always do the coming of a soul to those realms above, crowned with the glory of a life well spent.

Mr. Geo. W. Henshaw, of Winston, got a verdict last week for \$6,000 against the railroad, in the suit which he brought for damages on account of injuries received.

Col. John E. Brown, of Charlotte, committed suicide last week. He shot himself on the afternoon of the 28th, and died on the morning of the 29th. He was a brother of Dr. T. J. Brown, of Winston, and was a very prominent man. It is stated that ill health and financial trouble led to the terrible deed.

Jumped Out of the Window.

One day last week a boy some 15 years old jumped out of the window of Capt. Hawkins' train between Winston and Bethania. The boy was stealing a ride, and had locked himself up in the closet. The Capt. knocked on the door and told the boy if he didn't open the door he would break it open. When the train reached Bethania they put up a ladder and looked in the window, but the lad was not there. He had jumped out of the window while the train was running at a speed of about 30 miles an hour. The Capt. telegraphed back to Winston and an engine was sent up the line to look for the boy, but he could not be found. Later in the day he passed Rural Hall safe and sound.

Looking Ahead—Will Our Railroad be Extended?

Greensboro is aspiring to be ranked as the greatest R. R. center in North Carolina, and when we come to look at it she is not without grounds for so doing. The entrance of the Southern into Norfolk where that great corporation is building immense wharves, storehouses, &c. ac., means much for Greensboro, and the two growing towns here—Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro—for the prosperity of Norfolk will redound greatly to our interests and upbuilding.

The Southern Railway will put a line of ocean steamers on the route between Norfolk and New York immediately and later will establish one to ports across the Atlantic.

Very soon it will feel the necessity of cheap fuel and to do this it will extend the N. W. N. C. from this place to Bristol Tenn. where it will connect with a railroad already built to Big Stone Gap which President Spencer of the Southern will "absorb"—it is in process now—a receiver appointed and sale will follow. The acquisition of this road opens the gate to Kentucky and the Ohio River and it places the Southern in easy reach of the immense coal beds of Eastern Kentucky—as fine coal as the celebrated Pocahontas which is used largely now by ocean steamers and almost indispensable where speed is an object. From this place to Bristol is 100 miles and one of the best grades can be got across the Blue Ridge that exists South of the Potomac. A recent survey demonstrates that the steepest point need not exceed 67 feet to the mile—no tunnel region. This extension will develop as fine an agricultural, timber and mineral region as the state affords and the counties and townships along the line will subscribe liberally to a fund for its building and the right of way can be obtained without cost.

The Southern cannot avoid building this link, for until this is done it will have to turn freights over to the Norfolk & Western at Bristol thus feeding a rival line and virtually paying transportation 300 miles to its own wharves at Norfolk. Or it will have to run back on the E. Tennessee & Georgia road to Morristown and over the mountain via Asheville, Salisbury &c.—two hundred miles out of the way to hold what it has covered in its way bills.

We repeat what we said in the beginning; we are to see R. R. building and that in the near future.

This done the filling of the 20 mile gap from here to Taylorsville will soon follow.

SO NOTE IT BE.

"The wicked fleeeth when no man pursueth," and the defense of the chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, in the nameless Radical hiring sheet, against the CHRONICLE in answer to charges which this paper never made, at least indicates that there is something "rotten in Denmark" somewhere. If there is any dependence whatever to be put in the nameless sheet, the entire matter is a secret between it and the chairman. Such matters are accustomed to be transacted before an open court of a full Board. No record appears on the books. That's all we know about it, but it might be interesting for those knowing the secret to out with it.

Judge Geo. H. Brown was presented with a gold headed cane last week by the Winston members of the bar, in commemoration of his uniform courtesy and just treatment to all.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given of seizure on Dec. 24, 1895, by J. P. Rousseau, D. C., near North Wilkesboro N. C. of one copper still and fixtures, 20 pkgs. corn whiskey containing about 500 gallons and five pkgs. brandy containing about 75 gallons, supposed owner W. A. McLean. Also on Dec. 27th 1895 by J. E. McEwen, D. C., near Uncler, N. C., one copper still and fixtures and 11 pkgs. corn whiskey containing about 1750 gallons, supposed owner Jas. A. Huffman, said property seized under section 3450 R. S. of the U. S. Any persons claiming said property are hereby notified to appear before Sam. L. Rogers, Coll. at Asheville N. C. or J. E. McEwen D. C. at Wilkesboro N. C. within 30 days from date here of and file claim stating their interest in said property and file bond as required by law in such cases or the same will be forfeited to the U. S. Jan. 7th, 1896. SAM. L. ROGERS, Collector. Per J. E. McEwen, D. C.

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AT THE WORLD'S FAIR
 1893

Notice!

By virtue of executions in my hands, in favor of G. W. Isley, J. R. Caffey and S. F. Summerlin and against H. C. Eller, Sr., et al. I will sell H. C. Eller, Sr.'s, interest in the following described tract of land, at the court house door in Wilkesboro, N. C., to the highest bidder for cash, on the 2nd day of March 1896. Beginning on a corner of homestead on top of Hamby mountain, thence westerly to a white oak on top of gable hill, thence north to Martha Huffman's line, then with her line west to a Spanish oak on the road, then westerly to head of boiling spring branch, then down said branch to a poplar, the corner of J. A. church's line, then with the homestead line to a stake on top of Hamby mountain, containing 200 acres, more or less. Adjoining the lands of J. A. church, Martha Huffman, situate in Wilkes county, N. C., on the waters of Lewis Fork. This Jan. 27th, 1896.

CLARENCE CALL, Sheriff.

Notice!

By virtue of an execution in my hands for collection in favor of J. J. Kincaid and against J. L. Hays, Jesse McGlammy and others, I will sell Jesse McGlammy's interest in the following described tracts of land, situate in Wilkes county, N. C., at the Court house door in Wilkesboro, N. C., on the 2nd day of March, 1896. 1st tract adjoining the lands of Franklin Parsons, Calvin J. Cowles and the lands of Jesse McGlammy. It being the excess of his homestead on the Southwest side of Lewis Fork Creek. Containing 60 acres, more or less. 2nd tract beginning on the Bank of Phillips Gap road, Wilkes's line running West with said road to the double ford of Lewis Fork, thence North with J. F. Parson's line to the top of the hill to Sidney Huffman's line, thence down said ridge with the old road and said Huffman's line to the beginning. Containing 100 acres, more or less. It being the excess of homestead on Northwest side of Lewis Fork. To satisfy said execution. This Jan. 27th 1896.

CLARENCE CALL, Sheriff.

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Notice.

On Saturday February 8th 1896, at the court house door in Wilkesboro N. C., by virtue of a mortgage deed executed to us by C. C. Hubbard to secure the payment of two hundred dollars with interest and the cost of sale, we will sell for cash to the highest bidder the following described lands: situated in Moravian Falls township Wilkes county N. C., beginning at a black oak J. T. Hubbard's corner and running various courses, according to calls in said mortgage (for further description see Book 18 page 225 in Register's office for Wilkes county N. C.), adjoining the Lands of J. T. Hubbard, W. R. Hubbard and others, containing 43 acres more or less. This Jan. 7th, 1896. W. H. & J. C. HUBBARD, Mortgagees.

Notice!

By virtue of an execution in my hands for collection in favor of S. J. Ginnings and against Jackson Alexander and J. S. Cranor, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder at the Court house door in Wilkesboro, N. C., on the 2nd day of March, 1896, the following described tract of land, to wit: The land whereon Jackson Alexander now lives, adjoining the lands of T. C. Gray Elisha Porter, Alfred Staley and others. To satisfy above named execution. This Jan. 27th, 1896.

CLARENCE CALL, Sheriff.

Notice.

On the first Tuesday in March 1896, we will sell at the office of the Wilkesboro Land & Development Co., the stocks of J. W. Bost and Robert Hix, dec'd, for non payment of stock into the treasury of said company. This sale made by order of the Directors of said company. This Jan. 28th, 1896. R. A. SPAINHOUSE, Pres. MILTON McNEIL, Sec'y.

Valuable Lands for Sale
 200 acres fine timber lands 3 miles from Wilkesboro, N. C., 325 acres of the land on Reddies River northwest of Wilkesboro; 1800 acres on Stony Fork of West of Wilkesboro, 90 acres of bottom land and a world of timber, 190 acres on Yadkin River 12 miles west of Wilkesboro, 300 acres of bottom land, well timbered. Call on or address the undersigned. S. J. GIBSON, N. C., Jan. 11th, 1896.

Notice to the Law of John A. Wilkes County.
 To Amada Hester, Drummond Vance Wallace, Ruby Wallace, Logan Vance Edizabed, Coffey Laws and wife Mickins Parden and wife Mary, Jones Pearson, Frank Pearson and wife Amada, all others whom this notice may concern. This is to notify you that whereon Vannoy former Sheriff and tax collector the aforesaid county of Wilkes did on Monday in May 1895, being the 6th day of the month, sell at the court house door of the town of Wilkesboro, county and State of North Carolina, to the highest bidder for cash, a tract or parcel of land situated in Mountain township in said county of Wilkes, containing 75 acres more or less, the lands of J. J. Robertson, J. N. Deane known as the John Robertson and Amada Pearson tract of land and listed for taxation lands belonging to the heirs at law of John Robertson and Amada Robertson deceased, which sale I became the purchaser of a tract of land at the price of two dollars ten cents and took Sheriff's certificate for the same, that the time of redemption said land will expire on the 6th day of March 1896 and if not redeemed at said time, the same will be sold by law I shall apply for a deed in the same. This Jan. 1st, 1896. J. J. ROBERTSON.