

LOCKE CRAIG'S ADDRESS AT FLAT CREEK

The Best Speech Ever Heard in That Section.

POWERFUL PRESENTATION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT QUESTION.

Flat Creek, N. C., July 2.—The citizens of Flat Creek were addressed last Saturday evening by Hon. Locke Craig. A large audience assembled at the school house where the meeting was held and for two hours and a half Mr. Craig held the undivided attention of all.

Mr. Craig, speaking of the last legislature, said: "It will go into our history as an industrious, able and conscientious body of men. It rewrote the laws governing the state's institutions, the public schools, elections, railroads and other corporations."

Mr. Craig showed how in 1876 the white men of North Carolina banded themselves together and, under the leadership of Senator Vance, wrested the state from the negroes and carpet-baggers, and that a white man's government had placed the most honorable men in control of all branches of the administration, bringing the treasury out of bankruptcy and restoring the fair name of the state to its one time proud position.

Mr. Craig, speaking of the benefits to accrue from the adoption of the amendment, said: "It means that the necessity of the fierce and bitter race struggles of the past will cease; that ruin and degradation will no longer threaten our state and her institutions. Though unwritten it is the established law of this land that white men shall make and administer the laws."

CANDIDATES FOR THE STATE SENATE

APPOINTMENTS FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING.

J. M. Gudger, Jr., and W. W. Stringfield, candidates for the senate, will speak at the following times and places:

- Big Pine Creek (Forks)—Saturday, July 14, 2 p. m.
Balm Grove Methodist church—Saturday, July 14, 8:30 p. m.
Grape Vine—Tuesday, July 17, at 2 p. m.
Old Bull Creek—Tuesday, July 17, at 8 p. m.
Gabriel's Creek—Wednesday, July 18, 2 p. m.
Bethel church—Thursday, July 19, 2 p. m.
Terry's Fork—Thursday, July 19, 8 p. m.
Upper Laurel Methodist church—Friday, July 20, 2 p. m.
Lower California school house—Friday, July 20, 8 p. m.
Mars Hill—Saturday, July 21, 2 p. m.
Ladies especially invited. The Republican candidates are again invited to join in these discussions.

DONALD GILLIS, Chairman Dem. Sen. Com.

WORTH KEEPING.

From the New York Weekly. Lady—I want you to take this dog back. He is handsome, I admit, but he can't be taught anything at all, and is of no earthly use.

Dealer (slowly)—Ye-es, mum. I know, mum, but just think what a fine rug he'll make when he's dead.

Cock Fight IN THE Philippines

Manila, P. I., May 24.—Did you ever see a genuine cock fight? I do not mean two old barnyard roosters, but the gritty game cocks of any Spanish country or Mexico. I am going to tell you of how they do it in the Philippines, Porto Rico and Cuba, for they fight them after the same fashion in the three countries, except in the Philippines. They use what is called gaffs, a slender knife about two inches long and as sharp as a razor, which is tied on the left leg of the cock. The old-fashioned way with their natural spurs takes from 15 minutes to an hour to finish the fight, but with the gaffs they seldom fight more than five minutes and often not more than half a minute.

The day for cock fighting here is always Sunday and it lasts from about 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. The place where I saw cock fighting in the Philippines was at Cavite, made famous by Dewey and his American sailors. I left the Pasig in front of the quartermaster's department on the public ferry at 9 a. m. one Sunday and the ferry was crowded from bow to stern with Filipinos, Tagalos, Chinese, Spaniards and Americans; in fact almost every nationality was represented there.

Each cock had a string about a yard long tied to his leg, and on the end of the string was a wooden peg which is used to be driven in the ground to hold him while his master "habias," talks fight to some other "hombre," man who has a fighter. On the way over, which is seven miles across the bay from Manila, those fowls made the air hideous with their crowing. After landing I proceeded at once to the arena or cock pit. On entering the enclosure I beheld the largest variety of game cocks I have ever seen.

The judge or referee was an old con who had been in the service 40 years. He was such a judge of good fighters that he was not allowed to bet, but was made judge and received compensation for his services from the house. The old judge clapped his hands and in strode a native with a game rooster under his arm and with hat in hand. In a few moments entered another who took up his position on the opposite side. In front of them began to gather the gamblers throwing their Mexican pesos on the ground, and from the outside of the ring pesos were pitched over the rail till I would have called it such a mixture that no accountant could have straightened it out.

So the fight goes on. By the time two are disposed of two are on deck ready, and the stakes cleared up. I saw during the whole time only one coward, and he did not run before getting a thrust in the side.

MARRIED IN A HACK AND CAUGHT THE TRAIN

INDIANA COUPLE HAD NO TIME TO LOSE.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal. An unusual marriage ceremony took place on Sunday in Jeffersonville. About 6:30 o'clock of that evening an open hack containing a handsomely dressed man and a striking looking young woman was driven up in front of Magistrate Warder's office on Spring street. The gentleman called the magistrate out and whispered to him that he desired a marriage to the young woman at his side.

Magistrate Warder, in a few seconds, was seated in the hack with the couple and the party sped out Spring street and up Maple to the county clerk's residence. On the way people looked after the hack. They remarked upon the beauty of the woman. The license was obtained from the clerk, and then the prospective groom, as the hack started back, looked at his watch and observed that they wanted to catch a Pennsylvania train out of Louisville for Chicago at 8:30.

"Marry us as we go down the street," said the impatient young man. "Join hands," said the magistrate, and, as the hack moved rapidly down the street in the direction of the river, they were married.

Arriving at the river just in time for the 7:30 boat, the bridegroom dismissed the magistrate, handing him two bills. They were a pair of twenties. Forty dollars is the record in Jeffersonville.

No amount of coaxing could induce the magistrate to tell the names of the couple. He said that the strictest secrecy had been enjoined upon him by them. Yesterday, however, the county clerk made his report of the marriage license issued in the month of May. It was learned then that the people were William Robinson and Lillian Craig. Magistrate Warder thinks they are theatrical people.

THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT As Changed at the Last Session of the Legislature.

THE QUESTION ON WHICH THE PEOPLE WILL VOTE AT THE COMING ELECTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter 218, public laws of 1899, entitled "An Act to amend the Constitution of North Carolina," be amended so as to make said act read as follows:

"That article 6 of the constitution of North Carolina, be, and the same is hereby abrogated, and in lieu thereof shall be substituted the following article of said constitution as an entire and indivisible plan of suffrage." ARTICLE VI. Suffrage and Eligibility to Office. Sec. 1. Every male person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized, twenty-one years of age, and possessing the qualifications set out in this article, shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people in the state, except as herein otherwise provided.

Sec. 2. He shall have resided in the State of North Carolina for two years, in the county six months, and in the precinct, ward or other election district in which he offers to vote, four months next preceding the election; Provided, that removal from one precinct, ward or other election district to another in the same county, shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in the precinct, ward or other election district from which he has removed until four months after such removal. No person who has been convicted, or who has confessed his guilt in open court, upon indictment of any crime, the punishment of which now is, or may hereafter be, imprisonment in the State's prison, shall be permitted to vote unless the said person shall be first restored to citizenship in the manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 3. Every person offering to vote shall be at the time a legally registered voter as herein prescribed and in the manner hereafter provided by law, and the General Assembly of North Carolina shall enact general registration laws to carry into effect the provisions of this article. Sec. 4. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the constitution in the English language; and, before he shall be entitled to vote, he shall have paid on or before the first day of May, of the year in which he proposes to vote, his poll tax for the previous year as prescribed by article 5, section 1, of the constitution. But no male person who was, on January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this state by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualification herein described: Provided, he shall have registered in accordance with the terms of this section prior to December 1, 1900.

DEMOCRATIC SPEAKING.

The following additional dates for addresses by Democratic speakers are announced:

- Fairview college, July 14 at 2 p. m.—Judge James H. Merrimon and J. McD. Whitson.
Morgan Hill, North Buncombe, Monday afternoon, July 9 at 2:30—John D. Bellamy.
Asheville, Monday night, July 9, at court house—John D. Bellamy.
Candler, Tuesday afternoon, July 10, at 2:30—John D. Bellamy.
Hazel, Smith's school house, Thursday night, July 5, at 8:30—O. R. Jarrett, Dillon M. Luther, Alf. S. Barnard.
Alexander Chapel school house Thursday night, July 5—J. M. Campbell.
Burnsville Hill Friday night, July 6—J. M. Campbell and Judge H. B. Carter.
Gorman's Bridge, Old Owenby store, Saturday night—Locke Craig.
Big Ivy Baptist church, Saturday afternoon, July 7, at 2:30—Dillon M. Luther and others.

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Strength begins at the stomach. To put the digestive organs in perfect working order, there is nothing better than Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It regulates the bowels, promotes secretion of the gastric juices, and cures constipation, indigestion, dyspepsia, and biliousness, as well as Nervousness, Insomnia or General Debility. It is an absolutely reliable remedy, backed by a substantial record of cures. Our Private Revenue Stamp covers the neck of the bottle.

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ADVERTISEMENTS Of Land for Sale for State and County Taxes.

By authority vested in me as tax collector of Buncombe county and by virtue of the lien imposed upon real estate by the assessment and levying of tax, and by the tax list for the fiscal year 1899, I sell at noon of Monday, July 16, 1900, well as provided by the law in the case of unpaid taxes the following described pieces of real estate, to-wit:

1 Town lot listed by Henry Colley, first ward city of Asheville, described by assessors No. 152, situated on south side of Mountain street, adjoining Wm. Morris et al. Tax \$3.84.

One town lot listed by R. R. Rawls, city of Asheville, fourth ward, described by assessors No. 24, situated on west side of South Main street, adjoining Asheville tobacco warehouse et als. Tax \$195.50.

One town lot, listed by F. S. Jaquith, described by assessors No. 222; first ward, city of Asheville, adjoins Lizzie Shaft et als. Tax in third ward 67 cents. Tax \$11.25.

Ten acres of land, listed by E. C. Starnes, Hazel ward, adjoining Mark Smith et als. Tax also in third ward \$5.15. Tax \$6.23.

One and one-half acres of land, listed by Ches. Walker, Lower Hominy township, adjoining Ham Crook et als. Tax \$2.91.

Eighteen acres of land, more or less, listed by Henry Wise, French Broad township, adjoining M. R. West et als. Tax \$1 cents.

Sixty-two acres of land, more or less, listed by W. J. Clontz, administrator, French Broad township, adjoining J. M. Westall, Cal. Shepard, Harriet Sprouse et als. Tax \$2.79.

Fifteen acres of land, more or less, listed by J. A. Davis, Flat Creek township, adjoining J. W. Cole et als. Tax \$3.04.

One acre of land, listed by J. S. Hyder, Flat Creek township, adjoining A. P. Reese et als. Tax \$3.29.

One hundred acres of land, more or less, listed by A. M. Hendricks, Elm more ward, adjoins Tom Wilson, E. M. Sales et als. Tax \$2.25.

Sixty-one acres of land, more or less, listed by Mrs. Jackel, Flat Creek township, adjoining T. M. Duia et als. Tax \$5.13.

One town lot, listed by J. C. Carrington, Hazel ward, adjoins Mrs. D. M. Reynolds et als. Tax also in third ward \$ .22. Tax \$5.23.

One town lot, listed by L. T. Jackson, first ward, city of Asheville, described by assessors No. 640, situated on south side of Chapel street, adjoining H. S. McDuffy et als. Tax \$1.85. J. K. CHAMBERS, Tax Collector.

TAX SALE.

By virtue of the tax list of the city of Asheville for the year 1899, in the hands of the undersigned, as collector of taxes of said city for collection, and by virtue of the statute and law provided for the collection of taxes the undersigned will on Monday, the 9th day of July, 1900, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in the city of Asheville, aforesaid, in the manner and upon the terms by law prescribed for sale of land for such purposes, the hereinafter mentioned lots and real estate, said taxes being due and having remained unpaid within the time prescribed by law, and the persons whose names appear opposite the same being the respective persons in whose name the same was listed, or should have been listed for taxation. Said lots and real estate are situated in the City of Asheville, in the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, are described respectively as follows:

CITY MARKET.

Corrected by Clarence Sawyer, wholesale and retail grocer. These prices are being paid by the merchants of the city today:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Country butter, Eggs, Chickens, Turkeys, Ducks, Potatoes, Irish, Turnips, Onions, Cabbage, Beans, Peas, Apples, Apples dried, Wheat, Corn, Meal, Oats, Honey, Sorghum, Beeswax, Hay.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Elections of Buncombe county that at its meeting at the court house in Asheville on Monday, the 2d day of July, A. D. 1900, the said Board did prescribe the sizes and color of ballots for the next general election in said county, as directed by law, to be as follows:

Ballots for members of the general assembly from said county shall be three (3) inches by four (4) inches in size, and of white paper.

Ballots for county officers of said county shall be three (3) inches by seven (7) inches in size, and of white paper.

Ballots for township officers in said county shall be three (3) inches by seven (7) inches in size, and of white paper.

This July 3d, 1900. J. LUIS C. MARTIN, Chairman. JNO. P. KERR, per M. Secretary.

MASSAGE AND PACKS

Prof. Edw. Gruner 55 South Main Street Phone 206 Home or Office Treatment. Office hours: 8-10 a.m.; 2-4 p.m.

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John Cathey—Town lot on east side of Pine street, adjoining land of Geo. Austin on the north and R. H. Bryant on the south. Tax \$9.45.

Jasper McClary—Town lot on the south side of Gray street, adjoining lands of Mrs. Julia D. Shuford on the east and Stephen Byars on the west. Tax \$5.47.

Mrs. Mary Hunt—Town lot on the south side of Starnes avenue, adjoining lands of Mrs. E. H. Gage on the west and Grady street on the east. Tax \$37.50.

J. L. L. Slagle—Town lot with residence and store house on the south side of Patton avenue, adjoining lands of T. D. Johnston on the east and K. von Ruck on the west. Tax 1898 and 1899 \$220.41.

Rebecca Bailey—Town lot on the east side and back from McDowell street, adjoining lands of Charles Bailey and Charlotte Seales. Tax \$4.50.

Alex Gardner—Town lot on the south side of Phifer street, adjoining lands of Frank Looper on the east and B. C. Carpenter on the west. Tax \$11.25.

Major J. Hill—Town lot on the west side of Roberts street, adjoining lands of Amanda Walker on the north and W. H. Ballard on the south. Tax \$8.50.

JNO. A. CAMPBELL, City Tax Collector.

The Biggest Clothing Sale

Ever introduced in Asheville. Our entire stock will be sold below cost for the next few days. Don't miss these big bargains. We can fit any shape and any size.

Table with 4 columns: Price 1, Price 2, Price 3, Price 4. \$7.50 buys a \$10.00 Suit, \$11.25 buys a \$15.00 Suit, 8.50 " 12.50 " 13.00 " 18.00 " 9.50 " 13.50 " 15.00 " 20.00 "

We have several light suits, sizes 31 to 42 that go at HALF PRICE during this sale. Come and look them over.

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