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Editorial.

It is beginning to be noised aloud that Turner, Davidson, Doughton, Glenn, Steadman, Cunningham and Graham are available timber from which to select the next governor of North Carolina. Either of them would make a good one.

Distillers are preparing to evade the Watts law by registering a large number of brandy distilleries. The object is to adulterate liquors by putting in a la[illegible] amount of mash with a little f[illegible] and call it brandy. The ma[illegible] engages in the whiskey [illegible] always ready to serv[illegible] capacity.

TOM FAIRBANKS, A YANKEE SOLDIER, AND "THE LITTLE GAL."

EDITOR FRANKLIN PRESS:—I have never seen anything in the Press that I have read with more intense interest than your articles relating your own personal experiences in our great civil war.

There are others that I wot of, in and around Franklin, as well as hereabouts, both among those who wore the gray and those who wore the blue, who can if they will, furnish your paper with war stories that will make "mighty good reading". And if you see proper to accept the following from the Yankee side, by an old Yankee soldier, of the Yankee town of Highlands, you are welcome to it.

While on detached duty at 15th Corps headquarters, among the soldiers who reported to me for duty, was the hero of my story—[illegible] Fairbanks, a handsome [illegible] about 22 years of age. [illegible] used by his chum [illegible] older man, of [illegible] they belonged [illegible] that had [illegible] Southern [illegible] Egypt, [illegible]

[illegible] we returned to [illegible] with the mutual consciousness [illegible] from this time on we were friends.

At the first opportunity I remarked to Stanfield that I did not anticipate any trouble with Fairbanks; that as I became acquainted with him I found my heart going out to him as to a friend and brother. He replied that he hoped I might not be disappointed in him; but we would wait and see.

Well, we did not have long to wait. A few evenings after this when at 9 o'clock the boys repaired to their rooms above the room where our goods were stored, Fairbanks was not with them. About an hour later, as some one started to come up the stairs from the outside, we heard the guard at the front door challenge, "who goes there?" Then came the response, "[illegible]—m you I'll show you who goes there." At the same time a pistol shot rang out on the night air.

Stanfield who was with me in my room, said: "It's Tom. He's drunk, and we must look out for him." In the meantime Tom was coming on up the stairs, and shooting as he came through the long hall, till he reached my door—which was standing ajar,—when by the light of the fire on the hearth he blazed away at me, the ball grazing my shoulder, but before he could pull trigger again, I had him on his back. The boys carried him into his room and put him to bed, whence his loud breathing soon announced the fact that he was "a-sleepin' it off."

The next morning after calling the boys into my room, I said to Tom that I believed him when he told me that he had but a dim recollection of what he had done last night, that it all seemed to him like a dream, etc. Then I proposed to the boys that inasmuch as no one knew of this affair but ourselves, we would keep it quiet, and, further, to Tom I said: "If you will agree to not drink any more while you are with me, I will not prefer charges against you."—Whereupon he came forward, gave me his hand, and earnestly pledged his word and honor that never again would he drink any kind of intoxicating liquor. He said that he knew what the penalty of a court martial would be in the event of [illegible] being tried for the crime of shooting at a guard as well as his superior officer, that it was death, and for the kindness I had showed him in letting him off so easily he was truly thankful, and then and there pledged his eternal gratitude to me.

About a week after this occurrence we were ordered to move our stores up to Beaufort, S. C., where we stored them in a building near the wharf. Our quarters were situated back in the suburbs of the town. Everything went smoothly here with Tom till just at dark one evening, shortly after our coming to Beaufort, as I was leaving our quarters to go down to see that all was safe at the store, I met Tom coming tearing down the street, "beating his previous record" for speed. I said: "Hello Tom, what's up?" He replied, "Follow me," as he turned and ran down the alley that passed back of our quarters. I followed him into the house, when he took me back to his room and told me of his trouble. He had stopped in at a place up town where there were a number of negro soldiers, whose regiment was camped a short distance out. He was giving his version of some occurence that had taken place in town during the day. A negro Sergeant put in and told him tht he was mistaken. Tom replied that what he told was true, and that he did not allow a nigger to dispute his word, whereupon the Sergeant deliberately told him he lied. At that Tom picked a hatchet and struck the Sergeant on the head, cleared the door [illegible] bound and came on down [illegible] meeting me as I have related. [illegible] that the Sergeant was a [illegible] among his comrades; he [illegible] had killed him. He [illegible]

[illegible] allowed his [illegible] grow till they [illegible] his shoulders, and from his upper lip there drooped a long silky mustache. He wore a neatly fitting regulation frock coat, and a military hat togged out with all the "gewgaws," tassels and plumes that the regulations allowed.)

So when I got out my shears and razor, as he looked at me with a woe-begone expression and a groan, said: "Go ahead Lieutenant." In a few minutes the sacrifice was made, and those wavy, shiny locks and that silky mustache were lying at his feet.

"Now sir," I said, "put on this blouse and this cap, and then we will walk down street and see what we can find." We found that the colored Sergeant was not dead, he had been taken to the hospital, but the "colored troops" were still on the rampage, ransacking the town for the white soldier who was at that same time circulating among them.

The change in Tom's appearance was so complete that his chum, Stanfield, did not recognize him when he came in from guard duty that night, and found a "stranger" in his bunk.

(To be continued next week.)

Death of Rev. Walter H. Robertson.

Rev. Walter H. Robertson died at Warrenton, Va., on July 2nd.

On the 16th of October, 1901, as the Editor of the Press was returning from a trip to Washington City, Rev. Mr. Robertson boarded the limited express at Calverton, Va., and from that place to Salisbury he occupied the same seat with the editor. Mr. Robertson was a Confederate soldier, brother of Gen. B. H. Robertson, and we had a lengthy conversation about war times, etc. Mr. Robertson was a Presbyterian minister and had been pastor at Warrenton for 16 years at that time. He was on his way to Gainesville, Ga., to perform a marriage ceremony for a relative.

Many Victims of Heat.

New York, July 10.—Thirty-six deaths and eighty-three prostrations in and around New York and Brooklyn tell the story of today's heat. It was the hottest July 10 in the history of the local weather bureau, the highest previous reading of [illegible] degrees recorded Ju[illegible]

CULLASAJA LOCALS.

We have been having hard rains for the last few days doing some damage to crops in this vicinity.

During a hard thunder shower last Friday afternoon, lightning struck the house of Mr. John Russell, tearing off a large portion of the ceiling in two rooms and shivering some of the framing. A clock and vases were broken and a window knocked out. Part of the family were badly shocked and some were struck by flying pieces of wood &c. It is miraculous that all escaped serious injury, when the stroke was so severe.

Rev. Mr. Postelle visited friends in this neighborhood Saturday.

Mr. J. S. Robinson is visiting relatives in this community.

The 4th of July celebration committee met the 9th inst. and elected a new chairman &c:

A. I. Ledford, Chm., W. R. Bulgin, Sec. & Treas., J. W. Nash, T. R. Gray, C. L. Sellers, T. C. Cunningham, Elijay. J. C. Wright, J. W. Mann, Franklin. T. Baxter White, Highlands. J. C. Hurst, R. A. Luther, Committee.

Chas. Beyson of Cowee, was appointed to continue collection for monuments. The committee will arrange to have the next celebration in Sept. 1904. ANON.

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A Pleasant Surprise.

At the meeting of Junaluskee Lodge, A. F. & A. M., held on Tuesday night, July 7th, an episode a little out of the ordinary occurred, when Prof. M. D. Billings arose and in a very pretty little speech, on behalf of the brethren, presented a very handsome Master [illegible]

[illegible] Haywood Case Continued.

In wake Superior court Monday the case of Haywood indicted for the murder of Ludlow Skinner, was continued by the defense till September term, on account of a witness being unable to attend because of an attack of typhoid fever.

Some Tall Grasses.

Mr. Tom Downs who lives about six miles below town on the Tennessee river, brought to this office yesterday samples of seven kinds of grasses that he has growing on the same piece of ground, the measurements of which were as follows: Native Cane grass, 54 inches; Orchard grass, 51 inches; Italian Rye, 55; Herd's, 56; Big Blue stem, 64; Wild Rye grass, 68; and Johnson grass, 80 inches.

Brutally Tortured.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick of Colusa, Calif., writes, "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from Rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for Liver and Kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by Frank T. Smith, Druggist.

Mr. J. L. Barnard arrived in town last evening.

Sheriff T. B. Higdon has a boy who has been sick two or three weeks with fever. He seems to be doing very well now and gives promise of an early recovery.

Part of the counter and partition for the new bank has arrived, and the remainder is expected to arrive today.

Prof. D. L. Gay and lady have secured board with Mrs. A. S. Bryson on East Main Street.

Good nature is the very air of a good mind, the sign of a large and generous soul, and the peculiar soil in which virtue prospers.

Death of Mrs. Mary Ann Ledford.

Mrs. Mary Ann Ledford died at her residence near Franklin on the morning of the 7th inst. after an illness of dropsy, aged about 70 years. The deceased was a member of the Methodist church and her death was a great shock to her family and friends. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. H. Cook, at Franklin church on the 8th inst. and her remains were interred in the church cemetery. The PRESS extends to the bereaved family its sincere sympathy in their great bereavement.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Pope Leo Critically Ill.

The columns of the daily papers have been filled during the past week with the dispatches of the critical illness of Pope Leo XIII, of Rome. His death has been expected daily and almost hourly. The latest dispatches state that at 2:16 o'clock yesterday morning he was still living, but extremely feeble. He has been a man of wonderful vitality. His age is 93 years. There is every indication that death must come to him soon.

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The North Carolina National Guard Encampment.

The regiments of the N. C. National Guards will encamp as follows:

1st Regiment and Battery A., at Asheville, August 19 to 25.

2d Regiment at Morehead City, July 22 to 28.

3rd Regiment at Greensboro, August 6 to 12.

NEWS BRIEFS.

There were six deaths from heat on the 9th inst. in New York, and six in Brooklyn, and fully forty prostrations.

Savannah, Ga., had a $50,000 fire on the 10th, destroying the planing mill and lumber yard of the Alapaha Lumber Co.

Six thousand Christian Endeavorers met in Denver on the 9th inst. They were from all over the United States and Canada.

Five thousand delegates were in attendance on the 13th annual convention of the Baptist Young People's Union in Atlanta on the 9th inst.

North Carolina is planning to make the largest and most complete tobacco exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition the world has ever seen.

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King Edward to President Roosevelt.

Oyster Bay, July 10.—King Edward of England last night sent the following message of friendship to the President: "I have the great pleasure in entertaining Admiral Cotton and the captains of his squadron and have just proposed your health with every feeling of cordiality and friendship."

A reply will be sent by President Roosevelt upon his return to Sagamore Hill.

[illegible] Her Terror.

[illegible] all night [illegible]

[illegible] and all [illegible] bottles. Price [illegible] bottles free at [illegible]

FRISCO READING NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

North Carolina, Macon County. } In the Sup'r Court

A. M. Robertson & Co. vs. John C. Russell. } Notice of Execution Sale.

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Macon county in the above entitled action, I will, on Monday, the 3 day of August, 1903, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m., and 4 o'clock p. m., at the court house door in said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, to satisfy said execution, all the following tract of land, to-wit: Lying and being in Macon county, N. C., and in Elijay township, adjoining the lands of John McConnell and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning on a post oak, old corner in a field, runs S 45 E 40 poles to a post oak; then S 54 W 50 poles to a stake on the bank of the road; then with the road 9 poles to a sour-wood stump at McConnell's shop; then N 20 E 58 poles to the beginning, containing 7½ acres more or less. Also one half undivided interest in the following described lands, to-wit: Situated on the North side of Sugarfork river in District 11, a part of Sec. 17 and 45, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at a maple on the bank of the river, runs thence N 45 E 9 poles to a white oak; thence N 55 E 54 poles to a black oak in the road; thence N 77 W 24 poles to a post-wood; thence S 20 W 68 poles to the beginning, containing 6 acres and 134 rods.

T. H. Timms, Sheriff.
Macon County, N. C.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Macon county, entered at spring term, 1901, in the case of T. R. Gray, administrator of Charles L. Frost vs W. B. Merritt et al., the undersigned commissioners will on the 3rd day of August, 1903, at the court house door in Franklin, N. C., sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash all the lands described in a mortgage from L. J. Kesler and wife to Charles L. Frost bearing date August 6th, 1889 and recorded August 8th, 1889 in the Register's office of Macon county, N. C. in book No. 3 of mortgages, page 351 et seq., said lands comprising what is known as the McLean or Sheppard farm in Cowee township. This June 30, 1903.

F. S. JOHNSTON,
Commissioner.

NOTICE OF ENTRY.

No. 14535.

State of North Carolina, County of Macon.

J. R. Morrison enters and locates fifty acres of land in Burningtown Township, on the waters of Burningtown Creek, adjoining the lands of John Hall, James Cabe, W. M. Edwards and the Entor heirs: Beginning on W. M. Edwards' N. W. corner, [illegible] corner of Welch [illegible] and Grant, and runs as the same may be for complement. Entered June 20, 1903. J. R. Morrison.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Entry No. 14535. June 20, 1903. [illegible] Frazier, E. T. Macon County.