

CONTEMPT OF COURT HEARING POSTPONED

Benningfield Case Will Be Re- tried Before Senator Going and Others Are Heard.

Special to the Gazette.

Walnut Ridge, March 18.—Attorney L. B. Poindexter appeared before Judge Jeffries here today to face a charge of contempt of court in connection with the murder trial of Wolf Benningfield, but Judge Jeffries announced that a new hearing of Benningfield would be held Monday. Senator Clyde Going did not appear, and Judge Jeffries announced that Senator Going, Poindexter and three others charged with contempt of court would be heard after the Benningfield case was decided. The others accused are Deputy Sheriff Joe Freer, Joe Stripling and J. Moseley of Alicia. Senator Going has not been arrested, but the others are out on bond.

The charges were the result of allegations that a juror was tampered with in the trial of Wolf Benningfield, accused of killing John Bagley. Eight of the jurors favored a verdict of first degree murder, two voted for second degree and two for manslaughter. Moseley was one of the jurors, and it is charged, attorneys for Benningfield were seen to give him a drink and

then engage him in conversation. Moseley is accused with being one of the jurors who held out for manslaughter in the verdict.

Senator Going is said to be in Memphis, but as a warrant has been issued he probably will be arrested immediately after his return to Arkansas.

NEW BATESVILLE CHURCH.

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Batesville, March 18.—The first shovel of dirt in the work of digging the foundation for the new Methodist church here was thrown by Col. V. Y. Cook yesterday morning. Colonel Cook donated the lots on which the church is being erected. Contractor Brogden and Architect Gaisford, both of Memphis, are superintending the work. The structure will cost about \$50,000. Plans are also being made for a \$5,000 parsonage on the lots.

BUY FARM NEAR LOWELL.

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Dover, March 18.—The firm of Simpson & Campbell has purchased the farm of Mrs. Sikes in the bottoms near Lowell. The consideration was \$3,000.

MR. JACOWAY HONORED.

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Atkins, March 18.—H. M. Jacoway, congressman from the Fifth district, was in Atkins today, and a luncheon was given in his honor at the Commercial hotel. Mayor McCollum and Mr. Jacoway were the principal speakers at the luncheon.

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