

PLEASE NOTICE.
We will be glad to receive communication from our friends on any and all subjects general interest but
The name of the writer must always be attached to the Editor.
Communications must be written on only one side of the paper.
Personalities must be avoided.
And it is especially and particularly understood that the Editor does not always endorse the views of correspondents unless so stated in the editorial columns.

Another virtuous Republican official has just had his wings clipped. His name is J. O. P. Burnside and he is, or was, disbursing clerk in the Post office Department at Washington City. He gathered in \$42,000 of Uncle Sam's money and then he was himself gathered in.

Unperverted Essence.
With scarcely an exception, every paper in the country gives lavish praise to the St. Jacobs Oil Family Calendar and Book of Health and Humor for the Million, 1884-5. The San Francisco *Evening Post* says: "It gives us the clear, unadorned, unperverted essence of wit, humor and fun."

LOCAL NEWS.

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The receipts of cotton at this port to-day foot up only 4 bales.

The Custom House and Post Office were closed for business this afternoon.

The Criminal Court was not in session to-day.

Rev. J. P. Lenson will preach at Brooklyn Hall next Sunday at 11 a. m. and again at 8 p. m.

There was no City Court this morning, and no tramps applied for lodgings at the guard-house last night.

The largest and best stock of Windows, Doors, Blinds &c., and at Factory prices is at N. Jacob's Hardware Depot.

Mr. E. M. Cushing, who has been on a visit to friends and relatives here for the past two weeks, left last night on his return to Florida.

The cold wave has struck us in earnest, although we happen to be too far South to suffer from frost as have the farmers at the North in the last day or two.

We invite the attention of our citizens to the fact that first quality shirts are being made to order at one dollar at the Wilmington Shirt Factory.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Memorial Association will be held at 5 o'clock to-morrow afternoon in the school room at the rear of St. James' church.

The steam dredging machine commenced operations in Princes street dock this morning, and will continue the work until the place is thoroughly cleaned out.

There was a grand ball at the Hotel Brunswick last night and quite a large party from this city went down on the steam tug *Harold* to participate in the pleasures of the dance.

The citizens of Smithville held a meeting on Wednesday night towards building plank sidewalks on the streets of the town. We have not heard the result of the meeting.

The scholars of Misses Burr and James' school had their annual picnic yesterday at Mr. Bradley's place, at Wrightsville, and a very enjoyable occasion it was to all who attended.

Workmen are breaking ground on Front street, opposite the Market House, preparatory to the erection of some new storehouses on that site, by Mr. H. Vollers, who owns the property.

Several important improvements are now agitating the minds of our people, among which are a railroad to Fayetteville, and a railroad to Onslow, a hotel and last, but not least, a public park at Hilton.

A postal card was received here this morning addressed to a prominent business house on Market street, and that was all it contained. The writer had addressed the letter, but had evidently forgotten to say what he intended on the other side. It came from Chattanooga, Tenn.

Decoration Day.
As we write the Decoration services are in progress and the procession, which is a very lengthy one, and which was formed and conducted according to the published programme, is on its way to the National Cemetery. The public buildings are all closed, the flags are at half mast and the guns of the Cutter have been booming all day.

If you need a real good first class cooking stove, don't fail to see the Excelsior Penn., Zeb. Vance and New Emerald, besides others. They are to be had at factory prices at JACOBI'S, who is the manufacturers' agent.

Reorganized.
The Cornet Concert Club held a meeting at their band room last night and elected officers for the ensuing year. They are as follows:
President—George R. Dyer.
Vice President—L. J. Otterbourg.
Secretary—W. C. Craft.
Treasurer—D. B. Mitchell.
Leader—J. E. Wilton.
Musical Director—J. D. Smithdeal.

Slight Fire.
A dwelling house belonging to the estate of the late Owen Burney, on McRae street, between Walnut and Red Cross, caught fire about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon in consequence of a defective flue. The alarm was sounded and the fire department turned out promptly, but the flames had been extinguished by the neighbors before their arrival.

Personal.
We are glad to hear that Mr. Wm. Genault is now much better. The broken arm seems to be healing rapidly and is already out of the sling.

Mr. F. M. King, who has been absent from the city for the last two weeks, during which he has visited Atlanta, Ga., and other Southern cities, arrived here this morning.

Sheriff Taylor, of Brunswick county, was in to see us to-day. He says that the farmers of Brunswick are all in the fields and that the outlook is far more promising than it was at this time last year.

The Feast of Weeks.
This Feast began at sunset last evening among the Israelites. It is called the Feast of Weeks or Shebuoth, on account of its being seven weeks from the exodus of the children of Israel out of Egypt, until they reached the Desert of Sin, in which is Mount Sinai. The next and important reason why they celebrate it is that on that day the Lord descended to Mount Sinai and gave to Moses and the children of Israel the Ten Commandments, spoken by the Lord himself unto all Israel. Still another reason is, that on that day the people brought the first ears of corn, the first fruits, also the first of their flocks to the priests of the Temple for a thank offering unto God, for having blessed them so abundantly. It is also called the day of Firstlings.

Sudden Death.
We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Mary J. Lewis, of this city, on Tuesday last. It was very sudden. Mrs. Lewis had been complaining for several days past but was not thought to be seriously ill. She resided with her daughter, Mrs. McEwen, on Chestnut, between Fourth and Fifth streets, and was on the piazza on Monday afternoon. On Tuesday morning, very early, Mrs. McEwen, as was her usual custom, entered her mother's room to see how she was and as she seemed to be sleeping so well she feebly tried to disturb her. A short time afterwards she entered the room again and became alarmed at her appearance and sent hastily for a physician but he arrived too late, the last breath having been drawn about 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Lewis was about 70 years of age and it is thought that her death was caused by an affection of the heart. The funeral services will take place to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, they having been delayed to await the arrival here of her son, Mr. Geo. G. Lewis, who was in the mountains, at Waynesville, when the sad event occurred, but who arrived here last night.

Political Timber.
The Third District is full of fine Congressional timber. We hear many names mentioned, either one of whom would fill the position most admirably. In addition to Col. Green, the present incumbent, the friends of such men as E. T. Boykin, Esq., of Sampson, the able Senator from that county and one of the most prominent men of that body; the gallant Maj. Chas. W. McClanmy, of Pender county, the young Democrat who made such a glorious and successful campaign in 1870; Dan Hugh McLean, of Harnett, W. T. Dortch, of Wayne, Jas. D. Stanford, of Duplin, and others, are mentioned. There is no lack of excellent material in the Third district nor, we believe, will there be any lack of harmony in the Convention. The people of that district will readily understand that New Hanover, Brunswick and Columbus counties have regretted very much the severance of their old and intimate political relations with the other counties composing the old Third district.

A Good Time.
The excursion on the *Passport* on Wednesday was a very pleasant affair. The party was in the best of spirits, had a pleasant dance at the Fort and another at the pavilion at Smithville. The excursion was gotten up under the auspices of the Young People's Association of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and they know just how to make such parties pleasant and agreeable.

Another Fire.
A one-story frame building on an alley running from Fourth to Fifth streets, between Church and Castle, caught fire on the roof from flying sparks at about 3 o'clock this afternoon. The alarm was given and the fire department promptly turned out, but the flames were extinguished by the neighbors before the firemen reached the scene. The building was occupied by colored people, the damage was very slight and the property belonged to Mrs. Malinda Howell, of Raleigh.

Firemen's Association.
We learn from the *News and Observer* that a move is in contemplation for the organization of a "State Firemen's Association," which, if accomplished, will be of great aid in the more systematic government of the several fire departments of the State. The object is to have representative men or delegates from every organized fire company, and the chief engineers and other department officers will meet in Raleigh some time during the exposition and effect a State organization. Such an organization will no doubt meet with the hearty approval of every community. Letters have been addressed to the various chief engineers in the State, and it is hoped that prompt answers will be made to such communications. Great good can be the only result of the harmonious action of the firemen.

Magazine of American History.
The June number of this magazine opens with an exquisite portrait of Washington from the miniature painted by Mrs. Sharpless in 1796. The leading illustrated article, entitled "Defenses of Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island," is from the pen of General George W. Cullum, of the Corps of Engineers. The second article gives an account of the "Discovery of the Yellowstone National park." Then follows a chapter on the Sharpless miniature portrait of Washington, by its owner, Mr. Walton W. Evans. "The Rise of a Mechanical Ideal," by Charles H. Finch, is an essay on the early manufacture of firearms in the United States. Lieutenant General Charles P. Scone, late Chief of the General Staff of the Khedive of Egypt, contributes a paper entitled "A Dinner with General Scott in 1861." The *Private Intelligence* Papers of Sir Henry Clinton are continued, under Mr. De Lancey's editorship; Two Unpublished Letters of Lafayette to William Constable, of New York, are contributed by Mr. Henry Pierrepont, of Brooklyn. Published at 30 Lafayette Place, New York City.

A Happy Time.
The entertainment for the benefit of the Organ Association, of the Front Street M. E. Church, which was given last night at the residence of Col. C. L. Graftin, corner of Third and Walnut streets, was well attended, and highly enjoyable and financially successful. Col. Graftin and family were unparring in their efforts to make every one happy. Their residence was thrown entirely open and brilliantly lighted for the occasion while the lawn and grounds were illuminated by a display of Chinese lanterns. Tables were arranged upon the lawn from which fair hands dispensed ice cream and strawberries to those who wished for these luxuries, while those who were in the house were regaled with some fine music. In a room in rear of the parlors were plants and flowers of rare beauty and fragrance arranged in such a manner as to make the visitor imagine himself in fairy land. The company were also entertained with different views and scenes represented through a magic lantern, and in fact, in everything which could tend to make a delightful entertainment, it was a complete success; the only drawback being in the coolness of the weather. These gatherings have all been very pleasant and enjoyable, but that of last night eclipsed all of its predecessors.

Our thanks are due Hon. W. J. Green, our Representative in Congress for a copy of the "Memorial Addresses upon the Life and Character of Hon. John W. Shackelford, deceased, late Representative in Congress from the Third Congressional District of North Carolina."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

White Lawn Robes.
A VARIETY OF BEAUTIFUL STYLES, JUST RECEIVED.
EMBROIDERY TO MATCH.
GINGHAMS AND LAWNS in great variety of patterns.
SCOTCH ZEPHYR, SATTEENS, &c.
BLEACHED COTTONS AND SHEETINGS. We have splendid bargains as the prices were never so low.
LINEN SHEETING AND PILLOW CASING, with Towels, Table Damask, Napkins, Doilies, &c., very cheap.
FANCY MATTINGS in good styles and at closest prices.
CARPETS ARE MOVING, as BOTTOM PRICES have been reached. We are resolved to close out every piece of Brussels on hand.
LINEN ULSTERS—Just received in both Linea and Mohair.

may 29, 1884

THE MAILS.
The mails close and arrive at the City Post office as follows:
CLOSE.
Northern through mails, fast.....7:30 P. M.
Northern through and way mails.....8:00 A. M.
Raleigh.....6:45 P. M. and 8:00 A. M.
Mails for the N. C. Railroad and routes supplied therefrom including A. & N. C. Railroad at
7:30 P. M. and 8:00 A. M.
Southern Mails for all points South, daily.....8:00 P. M.
Western mails (C. C. Railway) daily, (except Sundays).....6:45 P. M.
All points between Hamlet and Raleigh.....6:45 P. M.
Mail for Cheraw and Darlington Railroads.....8:00 P. M.
Mails for points between Florence and Charleston.....8:00 P. M.
Fayetteville and offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesdays and Fridays.....1:00 P. M.
Fayetteville, via C. C. Railroad, daily, (except Sundays).....6:45 P. M.
Onslow C. H. and intermediate offices, Tuesdays and Fridays.....6:00 A. M.
Smithville mails, by steamboat, daily (except Sundays).....2:30 P. M.
Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Shallotte and Little River, Tuesdays and Fridays.....6:00 A. M.
Wrightsville, daily.....5:30 A. M.

OPEN FOR DELIVERY.
Northern through and way mails.....7:30 A. M.
Southern through and way mails.....7:30 A. M.
Carolina Central Railroad.....8:45 A. M.
Mails collected from street boxes business portion of city at 5 A. M., 11:30 A. M. and 5:30 P. M. and from other points of the city at 5 P. M.
Stamp Office open from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M., Money order and Register Department open from 8 A. M. to 5:30 P. M.
General delivery open from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M. and on Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M.
Carriers' delivery open on Sunday from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M.

E. T. Boykin.
The citizens of Sampson present the name of Mr. E. T. Boykin, of Clinton, for Congress. His service for two terms in the State Legislature has made him known to the people. He is not a candidate for the position. He believes, however, that it is the duty of every public man to respond to the call of the people. He has never sought the nomination for any office though he has been in public office since he has become of age, but if nominated will accept.
CITIZEN.

A CARD.
The Hotel Brunswick, Smithville, N. C., will open for the season, June 2.
Rates of Board as follows:
Transient Rates, \$2.50 and \$3 per day; \$17 per single week; \$15 per week for single month; \$12 per week for all time over one month.
Children under 10 years and nurses, half price.
Special meal hours for children and nurses.
The New Pavilion Building is open at all times for the reception of the public.
Our Ball Room is free to the guests of the hotel. All others are expected to pay for ball room privileges. Tickets can be procured at hotel office or cafe. Admission 25 cents.
Cafe supplied at all times with cool Soda Water, Ices and Eatables of the description usually found in first-class Lunch Rooms, at reasonable prices.
Our friends and the public generally are invited to give us a trial.
Respectfully, &c.,
J. D. SUBLETT, Manager.

DIED.
LEWIS—Tuesday morning, 27th inst., Mrs. MARY J. LEWIS, aged 70 years.
Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) morning, at 10 o'clock, from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. McEwen, on Chestnut street, between Fourth and Fifth, thence to Front St. M. E. Church, thence to Oakdale Cemetery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Situation Wanted.
THE UNDER-SIGNED IS DESIROUS OF obtaining a situation as a Dry Goods Clerk. Has had about ten years' experience. Best of reference given. FRANK A. MUSE.
may 30 11

Notice.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LADIES' MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION, will be held at 5 o'clock, on Saturday afternoon May 31st, in the School Room at the rear of St. James' Church.
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The Excursion and Pic Nic
SEASON IS NOW OPEN AND PERSONS visiting the city, the Sounds or Smithville, in need of First-Class work will do well to call on
JOHN WERNER
the well known Barber and Perfumer at his Shaving and Hair Dressing Saloon,
NO. 29 MARKET STREET,
where he will spare no pains in giving satisfaction at all. Come and see.
may 28

ANOTHER LOT
—OF—
Millinery
EXPECTED BY WEDNESDAY.
MILAN CHIP and all the Rough Straws, so popular now. Every possible shade of Feathers and other Trimmings. New lot of Parasols, white and colors, all prices. Gloves, Lisle, Kid and Lace. New Stamping Patterns.
Respectfully,
MISS E. KARRER.
may 28 Exchange Corner.

A SUGGESTION.
AS THE SUMMER APPROACHES AND Galls and Fever, Malaria, and kindred diseases make Quinine a necessity, we suggest to heads of families to buy our Capsules of Quinine, sold in any quantity, but much cheaper when purchased in boxes of 100. Packed into the Capsule in a dry state, additional efficacy is insured, and we guarantee each Capsule to contain amount represented. Information regarding prices, number of grains in Capsule, &c., gladly given.
Munds Bros. & DeRosset,
Druggists, Market Street,
may 29 Wilmington, N. C.

City Drug Store.
216 MARKET STREET.
DRUGS AND SODA WATERS. None but the best Syrups with pure Cream. A choice lot of Cigars and Tobacco just received. Prescriptions prepared at all hours day and night.
J. W. CONLEY, Manager.
may 27

Economy is Wealth.
FIVE YEARS RENT WILL PURCHASE A HOME. Building Lots for sale on the installment plan on Castle, Church, Nun, Ann, Orange, Mulberry, Red Cross, Gwynne, Rankin, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Wilson, Eighth, Ninth, Dickinson, Tenth Wood, Bay, Eleventh, Charlotte, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets. Also, Houses and Lots for sale.
Apply to
may 29 cw JAMES WILSON.

Spaulding's League Balls.
SPaulding's BEST BALLS,
BASE BALL CAPS AND BELTS,
HAMMOCKS, the Best Kind, Larger, and Small Ones for Children
New lot just received, and for sale cheap at
HEINBERGER'S,
may 27 Live Book and Music Store

Photograph Albums.
NEW LOT OF CABINET SIZED ALBUMS just received.
MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS—Violins, Guitars, Banjos, Accordeons, Bows, Strings, &c.
LITHOGRAPHING—Being agent for one of the largest Lithographing establishments in the country, I am prepared to furnish Checks, Drafts, Letter Heads, Bill Heads, Wedding and Ball Invitations, Visiting Cards, &c. at very low rates.
SHOW CASES—Several styles in metal and walnut, oval and beveled fronts, at factory prices.
YATES' BOOK STORE,
may 19 319 Market Street

For Excursionists.
I KEEP A FULL LIST OF FINE Groceries, Dry Goods and all other articles to be found in a first class store. In loading at the steamer's wharf pass up through the gate and turn to the left and my office is about 10 yards distant. Give me a call.
J. A. WESCOTT,
Smithville, N. C.
may 29 11a

The Question
NOW IS NOT WHETHER WE SHALL buy a brand of Bicycles and Tricycles, but where, oh where, can you get the LOWEST and BEST? Come to McADAM'S, No. 6 South Front Street, and you can solve the problem. Also, the best Cigars in the city.
may 22

Now is the time to give Smith's Worm Oil.
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