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Business Directory, Selma, N. C.

Officers of the Town: Mayor - W. H. Ives, Commissioners - R. D. Lunnford, Henry B. B. F. C. Hyman, A. W. Smith, Calvin...

Arrival of Trains.

Atlantic Line, Mail and Express, 4:42 p. m., South, 5:35 p. m., Accommodation, Tri-weekly, 8:15 a. m., South, 9:55 a. m. Agent...

News-papers.

The Advance, Weekly, corner of Webb and Noble streets.

Postoffice.

Mrs. M. C. Hood, Postmistress, W. H. Ives, Assistant.

Schools.

Common School, C. A. Smith, Principal, Mrs. J. H. Parker, Assistant.

Business Men.

W. H. Ives, Dealer in General Merchandise, Railroad street.

Smithfield Directory.

Officers of the Town: Mayor - W. H. Ives, Commissioners - R. D. Lunnford, Henry B. B. F. C. Hyman, A. W. Smith, Calvin...

Churches - White.

St. Paul's Church, South - Pastor, Rev. S. Pool, Sunday School, 9 a. m. Superintendent, Dr. J. B. Beckwith.

Churches - Colored.

Methodist Episcopal, S. C. McGee, Preaching 21 Sunday each month and every Tuesday evening, Sunday School 9 p. m.

Arrival of Trains.

Mail and Express, North (daily) 5:50 P. M., 10:30 A. M., 10:30 P. M.

Postoffice.

Mrs. M. V. Sneed, P. M., Miss Julia Sneed, Assistant.

News-papers.

Christian Visitor, Semi-monthly, Editor, Mrs. J. H. Parker, Subscription price \$1.00.

Directory of the County of Johnston and Town of Smithfield.

Senator - Hon. Jas. H. Poin, House of Representatives - Edw. S. Abell and John Sanders.

Schools.

Free School, Prof. John C. Scarborough, Principal, Mrs. I. W. Houtt, Assistant.

Lodges.

Fellowship Lodge, No. 84, A. F. & M., meet Friday night in each week, at 10 o'clock A. M.

A Bold Theft.

One of the boldest thefts ever known to this section was committed here last Monday. Mr. Wm. Peele, of Marlboro, drove in town and hitched his horse at the end of Main street. After transacting his business, he returned to get his horse and buggy to go home, and to his utter astonishment both were gone.

Appointment of Railroad Police.

The Governor yesterday appointed J. A. E. Lanchlin, J. M. Goddard, W. C. Dodson and W. H. Penbertson as special railroad police for the Cape Fear & York Valley Railroad.

Killed in a Cane Mill.

A little twelve-year-old son of Mrs. Elizabeth Hill, in Gaston county, met with a horrible death yesterday, by having his head caught in a cane mill. The boy was standing in front of the upright cylinders, through which the cane is passed, when the saw struck him and knocked him down.

The Agricultural College Farm.

Mr. B. S. Skinner, of Herford who was recently elected superintendent of the Agricultural College farm has arrived and taken charge and is now clearing up the timbered portion. The grounds are to be put in thorough order, that experiment work may commence with the opening of the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

A Colored Man Arrested for Forgery.

Some time since a warrant was issued for the arrest of Lewis Andrews, colored, who had forged an order of the school committee of Pender county. Yesterday a man named H. L. Andrews, commonly known as Lewis Andrews, brought in a flat load of wood, and while at the wharf was arrested by Mr. A. C. Moore, who had been deputized by the sheriff of Pender, to arrest Lewis Andrews.

A Big Steal.

OF A YOUNG PAINTER.

HE GOES INTO BUSINESS - BY STEALING - AND IS APPREHENDED.

On yesterday a young white man in the employ of Mr. S. M. Parrish, who has the contract for painting the new store of Messrs. Tucker & Co., was arrested for stealing. The young man had been pilfering on the premises for several days, and it seems had been carrying on a system of stealing various articles every day until he had accumulated a considerable stock.

Highway Robbery.

One of the boldest and most dastardly robberies we have heard of was committed on the Smithfield road, leading from Wilson, about three miles from town last Monday evening. Mr. William Peele had been to Wilson and sold his cotton. He started for his home in the evening and when he was about three miles from town near 'Great swamp', he was stopped by three negro men, taken from his cart and robbed of \$40 all the money he had.

A Dangerous Accident.

Mr. Thomas Barnes had a dangerous accident to happen to him last Tuesday. He was at work on the dwelling house of Mr. John Hutchinson, and the scaffold gave way, throwing him to the ground. A deep gash cut in his head one in his leg and his arm was considerably bruised up.

A Good Story of Tom Marshall.

She Riddleberger episode reminds me of a case in which old 'Tom Marshall was supposed to have insulted the dignity of the court, and was fined \$50. Tom, on hearing this, rather added to the insult and was fined another \$50. Tom was capable of the occasion. Leaning towards the bench he said: 'Judge, lend me a hundred dollars.' Upon this the court exclaimed: 'Mr. sheriff remit the entire fine. The State is better able to lose a hundred dollars than I am.'

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Chief Apple arrested a negro named Bob Wharton Sunday night. It was found that he had been stealing flour, meat and miscellaneous groceries. He was not tried here, because it was known that he was an escaped convict. Mr. Apple sent a message to Raleigh inquiring the amount of the reward for Wharton. The answer was that it was \$10 and expenses paid. Mr. Apple left with his prisoner last night for the penitentiary where he arrived safely, turned the fellow over to the authorities, and received his reward. Wharton is a desperate character, and ran away with another negro's wife a few months ago. He finishes a term for stealing. - Webster's Weekly.

A Horse Thief Captured.

Some weeks ago a requisition was made by the Governor of South Carolina for one Owen Manning, alias Obed Mareddy, a notorious horse thief. It was found that he had stolen a great deal of property of the sort in this State, and so the Governor when Manning was arrested, refused to give him up. He was arrested in a swamp in Beaufort county after many shots had been fired and after he had been wounded severely. Manning's track across the State from Robeson county to Beaufort was marked by horse stealing, while other kinds of property were also bagged. Tuesday he was tried at Lumberton, in Robeson county, convicted, and sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Knights of Labor.

We are in receipt of a letter from an officer of the Wilson Assembly, Knights of Labor, in which he denies that the negro cotton picker's strike is the work of the Knights of Labor. He says the two white men who are going around organizing the negroes for that purpose are not members of the order. He says also that the report that the hands at the Cotton Mills intended to strike is false. They have entertained no such idea. He says there never was a more contented or better treated set of hands than those in the Wilson Cotton Mills.

Wilbert's Body Found.

The body of James Wilbert was found yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock, floating in the Cape Fear river, about fifty yards from the Navassa Guano factory. The body was first seen by Mr. Boone, an employe of the factory. A boat was immediately sent out and the body was towed to the city; but owing to the lateness of the arrival the inquest was postponed until 8 o'clock this morning. The body was identified by several as Wilbert's. A large wound, made by a bullet, was found in his head, but it is a matter of surmise whether this caused his death, or whether he was drowned while attempting to cross the river. - Wilmington Star.

Arm Badly Crushed.

On Wednesday evening three colored men came down from Greensboro to join a force of railroad hands at work here. They did not go to work at noon, but took quarters in the train "shanty" for the time and went to sleep. At night the bedbugs, which had commenced war early in the night, proved too much for one of the men, and he got out of the shanty with the intention of finishing his nap on the ground. He lay down alongside of the car, and by a sleepy "roll over" threw his arm across the track. About 2 o'clock yesterday morning a construction train pulled in and side-tracked with the "shanty" car. In backing it struck the "shanty" car and moved it just far enough to make the first wheel roll on the man's arm and stop on it. It is yells of fright and pain brought assistance and the car was moved back. His arm was crushed to a soft jelly and will probably be amputated. The accident was purely the result of the man's imprudence, but the company is bawling him out for News and Observer.

The body of "Uncle Billy Tombs" was buried in Washington a short while ago in the presence of a large number of the best white citizens as well as almost the entire colored population. Prominent among those present were the member of the family of the late General Robert Tombs. Uncle Billy was born eighty-seven years ago the slave of Major Tombs and was 11 years old when the Major's son Robert, was born. Billy was assigned as boy in waiting on the baby, and took great interest in his development. When young Mr. Tombs grew up and married, his father made him a present of Billy, and ever after the closest friendship existed between the two. Billy accompanied his master to Washington, to the fashionable watering places and to Europe. In this way he became familiar with many distinguished people.

Before the war Billy had an intense hatred for the Abolitionists, refusing to countenance them in any way. When the war was over and the Tombs family had gathered once more at the old family mansion, Bill returned there too, as well as the rest. "You are free now," said General Tombs to him, "I'll never be free from old master," said he, "but I will follow you all my life." To this Gen. Tombs replied: "Very well, then, I'll take care of you."

Ever after Billy was the most devoted of servants, looking after his master's interests as though they were his own. When Gen. Tombs died two years ago he left full provision for Uncle Billy's maintenance, and no mourner at the General's grave shed warmer tears than the faithful old African, who lived there long after the crowd had melted away. Uncle Billy will be remembered as an African who absolutely refused to accept his freedom. - Wilson Advance.

Chicago, Sept. 21.

A circular of deep red Anarchistic tendencies is being circulated in Chicago. It is headed, "To the Working Men of the United States of North America," and denounces the action of the Supreme Court in upholding the decision of the lower Court in the Anarchist cases. The circular refers to Captain Bullfinch as "the notorious police bandit," and vilifies Judge Gary without stint. The circular is signed "The Federation of Trade Unions," and was printed in New York. Police Captain O'Donnell telephoned this morning all over the city to have any persons found distributing the circular arrested.

Late Telegrams.

CULLED FROM OUR DAILY EXCHANGES.

SOME OF THE WORLD'S DOINGS BRIEFLY STATED FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR READERS.

WASHINGTON, Sep. 21. - The Department of State furnishes the following for publication:

Memorandum of an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Spain, for the reciprocal and complete suspension of all discriminating duties of tonnage or imposts in the United States and the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico and all other countries belonging to the Crown of Spain, upon the vessels of the respective countries and their cargoes.

1. It is positively agreed that from this date an absolute equalization of tonnage dues and imposts shall at once be applied to the productions of articles proceeding from the United States or any other foreign country when carried in vessels belonging to citizens of the United States and under the American flag to the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippine, and also to all other countries belonging to the Crown of Spain, and that no higher or other tonnage dues or imposts shall be levied upon said vessels and goods carried in them as fore-said than are paid by Spanish vessels and their cargoes under similar circumstances.

2. On the above conditions the President of the United States shall at once issue a proclamation, declaring that discrimination tonnage dues and imposts in the United States are suspended and discontinued as regards Spanish vessels; and produce, manufactures or merchandise, imported into the United States, proceeding from Spain, from the aforesaid possessions and Philippine Islands, and also from all other countries belonging to the Crown of Spain or from any other foreign country.

This protocol of an agreement is offered by the Government of Spain and accepted by the United States as satisfactory notification of the facts above stated.

3. The United States Minister at Madrid will be authorized to negotiate with the Minister for Foreign Affairs, either by an agreement or treaty so as to place the commercial relations between the United States and Spain on a permanent footing advantageous to both countries.

In witness whereof the undersigned in behalf of the Governments of the United States and of Spain, respectively have hereunto set their hands and seals.

Done at Washington this 21st day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1887.

[L. S.] T. F. BAYARD, [L. S.] E. DE MURUAGA.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 21. - The operation of the law of last winter, which repeated the statute authorizing the establishment of separate schools for colored pupils, is producing friction in many places. At Oxford, Ohio, the colored pupils nearly all deserted their own school and applied for admission to a white school. A public meeting was held and the school board was asked to order the colored pupils to their own school. The Board complied with the request, and the colored people propose to apply for a mandamus. At Yellow Springs the School Board has ordered the schools closed indefinitely, or until the Legislature can meet and take some action at Ripley, Ohio. A suit in mandamus was entered to compel the school board to admit colored pupils.

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DUBLIN, Sept. 22. - The weekly Nationalist papers throughout Ireland publish the usual reports of the proceedings of the various local branches of the league, despite the fact that under the terms of the new crimes act the editors are liable to imprisonment for publishing the reports, which teem with violent denunciations of the government.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sep. 20. - A Canton (Dak.) special to the Journal says that the east bound passenger train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad ran into the rear of a freight train at 4 o'clock this morning three miles east of here. The train was switching at Inwood, Iowa, and the rear part breaking loose, tore down the grade toward Canton for several miles, finally colliding with the passenger train. Two bodies are still in the wreck and the wrecking trains are now at work. Thirty passengers escaped unhurt.

LYNCHBURG, Sep. 20. - An Advance special from Finca, Va., says a general fight took place among a large gang of negroes near Wilton, Botetourt county yesterday, in which many were wounded, and one named Ross will die. The origin of the difficulty is not known.

LOUISVILLE, Sep. 21. - This morning William Thompson concealed himself near the house of A. J. Thompson, eight miles from here and shot three members of a family one of them fatally. The murderer also shot a school teacher. His victims were his own cousins. He has not been captured.

PARIS, Sep. 22. - The story is confirmed that after the execution of the murderer, Praxini, a certain police official obtained a portion of the murderer's skin from an attendant at the Medical School and had it converted into a couple of purses, of which he presented one each to Wm. Taylor and Goran, other police officials, as souvenirs. The facts leaking out, the latter delivered the purses to the Procurator General, who dismissed all concerned in the matter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sep. 22. - Information has been received at the office of the Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital Service that the yellow fever epidemic at Key West is practically at an end. No new cases have been reported during the week, and only one death has occurred.

NEW YORK, Sep. 22. - About two hundred men employed on forty buildings on 73rd, 75th and 76th streets, the Boulevard and 11th Avenue, struck this morning because of six or seven plumbers who are non-union men being allowed to work after their discharge had been demanded. A walking delegate of the carpenters' union, Bob Farrell, entered one of the buildings on 73rd street and was arrested by a detective for trespassing. He was taken to the Harlem police court and paroled in the custody of his counsel. The strikers claim to number one thousand, but last Saturday's pay-roll does not show more than about 200 names. The strikers quit work as soon as Farrell was arrested. The bricklayers quit because they could not get material to go on. There are about twenty-five men still working on the buildings, some of them Union men. The contractor's agreement provides for a strike, but he said he would put on new men as soon as possible.

LONDON, Sep. 22. - The British steamer Romeo, Capt. Williams, from New Orleans August 30th, for Rouen; grounded at Villegiver and capsized and is a total loss. Firemen Robinson, Hayes and Davis, engineer Thompson and three other persons were drowned.

LONDON, Sep. 20. - Baron Monck, Liberal, one of the Lord Justices of Ireland, and Fourth Lord Commoner, advised the landlords of Ireland to follow Archbishop Walsh's advice and hold conferences with the tenants of Ireland, with a view of reaching better relations on the question of rents.

BALTIMORE, Sep. 22. - A fire this morning destroyed the paper warehouse of Dobler, Mudge & Co., on Hopkins place, Sharp street. The damage is estimated at \$60,000, partly covered by insurance. The stock of Henry S. King & Co., hardware, adjoining, was somewhat damaged by water, as was also that of M. S. Levy, straw goods. The paper warehouse building is owned by John King, Jr., and was damaged several thousand dollars. It is said to be insured.