# DAMAGE TO BEACH DONE BY THE RECENT STORM

sand to Depth of From 9 to 15 Inches Has Been Replaced At Washed Places

Nature, through her cesseless waves of the mighty Atlantic ocean, has aleady filled in with sand to the extille Beach that was badly washed by the severe storm which occurred there turate measurements that have been aken regularly since the storm oy Henry E. Banitz, well known architect of this city and owner of the Wrights-

Mr. Bontiz says that since the Beach inderwent the severe storm, which washed away sand from the sea front and from underneath the cottages at the resort, he has kept a close tab an the ground elevations to ascertain If nature was replacing any of the washed portions. He says that recent measurements show that even in this the sand has peen replaced.

beach was continuing to wash or if junior members. the waves were refilling the washed places, Mr. Bonitz made marks at several places along the beach. There marks show that at a point near the Parsley cottage the fill amounted to about fifteen inches. Under the Hanover Inn the sand has come back to the extent of about twelve inches, while there has been a refill of nine inches beneath the Bridgers cottage. Mr. Bonitz firmly believes that within a short time nature will have completely replaced the sand from the washed portions of Wrightsville Beach, however he heartily favors the proposed construction of a system of jetties which will not only prevent the resort from being washed by more storms but will tend to cause the Beach | to expand, making the width of the sle to grow wider. Mr. Bonitz says assume his burden of the cost of the jettles or for any other reasonable neans of preserving the Beach.

# LOCAL MARINE CIRCLES

During Remainder of Week. San Lamberto Trials

Port news has picked up somewhat after several days of quietness. The customs house yesterday reported the arrival of one cargo ship and announced that two other vessels are due to arrive at the port of Wilmington during the next few days.

The big French steamer Kagera arrived yesterday from Dunkirk, England, with a large cargo of potash salts, which is being discharged at the terminals of the Wilmington Warehouse company. The Kagera is one of the largest vessels that has visited this port in some time and she made the trip from England to the United States in remarkably short time. The

faster than the ordinary cargo ship. The American steamer Wauwatose, which is now several days overdue at this port, is reported to have run short of bunker coal and put into Hampton

arrive in port Saturday of this week. The new tanker San Lamberto, built

Young Men's Christian association \$9 .next few days in hopes of having subscribed the \$2,900 remaining necessary to reach the goal. Figures complied at the Y. M. C. A. last night by General Secretary J. B. Huntington showed the workers had reported approximately \$6,100 at the close of the canvass yesterday.

Secretary Huntington states that the Y. M. C. A. is due the members of the Rotary and Kiawanis clubs and the many friends of the association who conducted the drive, a debt of gratitude for their splendid efforts yesterday. He said that because the entire \$9,000 was not secured on the one day as it was hoped it would be, was by no means their fault, as every worker did his share of the work.

The only unfortunate feature, says

There are several canvassers who had not reported the results of their ef- through the panic and paying full forts at a late hour last night and prices for it did more to restore conit is believed when their amounts are fidence than any other means we could turned in the total will be given a con- have used to allay popular apprehensiderable boost. There are also a num- sion. ber of splendid prospective subscribers who were not seen yesterday. These will be called upon and their sub-

total already handed in. At the meeting of the canvassers at the Y. M. C. A. at 1:15 o'clock yester- year of 530,000 bales of spot cotton. tire on the machine of E. E. Boushee day a total of \$5,300 was announced This was accomplished within the could be removed, a thief late Wedas subscribed. The workers exhibited twelve months in the years, during nesday evening got the oil gage from much enthusiasm at the meetings and which the major part of the cotton the car and fied. The car was in the this was added to by a humorous talk crop was disposed of by the farmers garage at \$17. Dock street, according by "Sunshine" Hawks and solos by before the early spring."

# INTO HANDSOME NEW HOME

Ceremonies of Religious Nature Attend Transfer of Alexander Sprunt and Sons, Incorporated, to New Front Street Quarters-History of Well Known Firm Shows Remarkable Progress From Small Beginning

Impressive ceremonies yesterday nary incidents in the life of the firm. Alexander Sprunt and Son, incorporated, one of the leading cotton firms of the world, in its new home, corner of Front and Walnut streets.

The event took on the nature of a ent of approximately one foot, the dedication, the service being conducted portions of the sea front of Wrights- by Rev. J. O. Mann, pastor of the Church of the Covenant-a church built by Dr. James Sprunt and Mr. William H. Sprunt as a memorial to their father a short while ago, according to ac- and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Sprunt.

Present for the services were the officials of the firm, their immediate families and the employes. The hisulle Beach waterworks system. He is tory of the establishment, dating back me of the resort's largest property over a period of fifty-five years, which has been marked by steady and substantial growth, was related.

The business was organized in 1866. immediately after the Civil war, by Alexander Sprunt and his oldest son, Dr. James Sprunt. At the time of the death of Alexander Sprunt in 1884. William H. Sprunt was admitted .o partnership, and the firm continued in this form, composed of Dr. James short while a considerable amount of Sprunt and William H. Sprunt until about ten years ago, when T. E. Sprunt To show conclusively whether the and J. L. Sprunt were admitted as

In June, 1919, the business was incorporated under the name of Alexan-James Sprunt, chairman of the board; W. H. Sprunt, president; J. L. Sprunt, D. H. Lippitt, secretary; W. J. Bergen, be satisfied. assistant secretary; J. Hunter Wood, terdam, Holland; Alex Sprunt, Liver-

Many Branches American branch offices are located Holland; that as a property holder he is ready to Barcelona, Spain. The staff of Wilming follows: ton office, home of the company, is com-Everett, J. S. LeMoyne, William Far-

huge skylight. An arc blast lighting ! to the right of the Front street enand William H. Sprunt while to the left

ing, this being quarried in Alabama. The building is constructed of red tapestry brick, manufactured in Pennsylvania and is trimmed with terra cotta and Indiana limestone. Specially designed and elaborate lighting fixspeed of the Kagera is considerably tures are installed in the building, which has every banking accomodation, from a huge vault to the self locking cashier's cage. The architect and supervisor of the building is H. E. Bontiz, of this city, while the consult-Roads to have her supply replenished ing architect is Kenneth Murchison, The Wauwatose has aboard a cargo of New York. The cost of the structure potash salts and sailed from South- is approximately \$75,000 and it is one of the handsomest office buildings in The American steamer Saxon, with the south, and is the only one if its

cargo of sulphur taken aboard at kind in North Carolina. It has a front-Texas City, Tex., is now enroute to age of 66 feet, on Front street and Wilmington. This ship is expected to runs back 78 feet along Walnut street. Founder's Principle The firm of Alexander Sprunt and at the George A. Fuller Carolina ship. Son, Incorporated, is founded on the yard, left the docks of the builders principle of square dealing, its founder at Southport until this morning, and members of the corporation for the in its results. then put to sea. The San Lamberto company's substantial growth to a was escorted down the river by the place of importance in the business tion yesterday divine blessings were

dividual members, so that it might conhis export activities, Dr. James Sprunt was British vice consul for the local port for a period of 30 years. Yesterday, following the dedication

Although the canvassers for the Sprunt was asked to tell of some of of the association are by no means dis- instances of importance bearing upon ful reminiscence." heartened and will carry on during the critical situations during his career of 55 years in business in Wilmington. He said that after the firm was fully established and connections were made throughout the United States and Europe wherever cotton was sold or used, he recalled on one occasion of Seven Matches, 26 Rounds, to loading five steamers at one time at the Champion compress, all of large tonnage, with 10.000 to 20.000 bales each, and that these five steamers were cleared for five different; countries in Europe practically at one

time-within a day or two. business developed up to that time. from the revenue cutter will stage the Another incident, which might be mentioned, not in a spirit of egotism or show to which the public is cordially braggadocio, came to light today during invited. the removal of the offices in the shape of an old circular letter to all em-Secretary Huntington, is that the board ployes and agents in Wilmington and of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will other cities of North Carolina and necessarily have to curtail some of who were depositors in Wilmington Maloney will referee all bouts, thus inother cities of North Carolina and being left flat on the dock as has been the work planned for the ensuing year if the remaining small amount is not subscribed. He says that although the Rotarians and Kiwanians will not limit the panic prevailing—in 1907—and The card is: Rotarians and Kiwanians will not, guaranteeing the integrity of Wiltheir work having been completed yes- mington banks and the depositors in terday, the friends of the association our employ against loss of their dewill continue the drive that the full posits. This was "putting the cart Brandon.

The same save and converger who had before the horse." and the fact that Venter we

Small Beginnings

"The original capital of this firm was scriptions will add materially to the wreck of the civil war, from which deless than \$5,000, saved out of the start of the preliminaries. veloped the actual handling and shipment from Wilmington alone in one

governor said he was quite prepared to New Hanover. to give the necessary assistance if the have good commercial paper.

Royal exchange.

recalled:

Tex.; L. B. McKoy. Charlotte; Thomas was joking, but when he assured me tion of \$1,748,950, with no township time that the institution has ever R. Orrell, Havre; W. L. Walker, Rot- it was absolutely true. I do not think debts; unless the road bonds recently sought the aid of the public. Heretopool, England; Dalziel Hedderwick cause under the circumstances it was New Hanover commission, if annexa- the burden and these few citizens,

Captain Ashe's Comment. branches at Havre, France; Rotterdam, Fear," Capt. S. A. Ashe, a well-known nothing in return.

used and established direct Miss Catherine MacRae and Miss Kate consumers and the Wilmington firm. The handsome new office building of working details were difficult. Indeed, "their" county to Topsail folk than a rousing success. the great cotton concern was built by some of the obstacles seemed almost does Pender. Hence the determined Several Vessels Due in Port Mrs. H. L. Vollers and the company has insurmountable. The depth of water effort to get back within the fold, a long term lease on the structure. In the Cape Fear and on the bar was which, by action of the commission TOO PREVIOUS ON DATE The building is of Colonial type, two no sufficient to float safely the most yesterday, is given added impetus. stories high, with basement. The desirable class of vessels for the exsecond is a mezzanine floor, with sev- port trade, and shipowners were slow ing annexation, asserted that the eral offices opening into the space to trust their vessels upon a torturous work of preparing the bill to gain the "December, 1921," Too Vague in where the light floods in through a stream in shallow water with only desired end would be hurried and three feet rise of tide. Moreover, the would probably be before the solons scheme is employed throughout the capital of the firm was limited, and within a few days. working or counting room. On the their business was conducted strictly lower floor are the general offices and on the conservative principles laid the offices of various officials. Just down by the founder of the firm which CHARGE JIM CROW LAW still bears his name; but in the end trance is the office of Dr. James Sprunt caution and perseverance established confidence and brought success. It is is a reception room. Marble is used a remarkable fact that from the beextensively on the interior of the build- ginning of the firm in 1865-66 up to the present time, although hundreds of millions of dollars have passed through the main office in Wilmington and their branches in Boston, Houston, Liverpool, Holland. Havre, New York. not on any occasion has their paper

ever been dishonored. "As circumstances permitted the reguisite accessories were installed. The hampion compress and warehouse is chiefly owned and operated by them. The plant is among the best and most complete in the south, representing a large outlay in capital, and it is so conveniently arranged as to afford the most improved facilities for the loading and unloading of five large steamers simultaneously.

"It is noteworthy that the partners in the Boston office, Houston office and from boyhood in the Wilmington office: Mr. William H. Sprunt, now the to correct conditions." most active partner, having been born in Wilmington. It has been a Wiltrials. The tanker will lay at anchor That feature is given entire credit by nate in its operations and beneficient

"All through life Mr. Sprunt has had close association with the Cape Fear affairs of the world. At the dedica- river and the bark bearing his hopes and fortunes has had its home on the bestowed upon the firm, through in- bosom of the historic stream. Not only his business. but the pleasures tinue to do good and prosper. It was and happy incidents of his daily life recalled yesterday that, in addition to have been so blended with its waters that be cherishes a warm affection for the river itself. Thus he has been minded to preserve its traditions and its tales—the preparation being indeed of the new office building, Dr. James a labor of love, undertaken in a spirit of grateful return for the many blessthe impressions he has gained during ings he has enjoyed both at his home 000 drive did not on yesterday succeed his long and successful business ca- in the city and his home at the Orton. in getting this amount, the directors reer. He was requested to relate any which alike are redolent with delight-

#### TARS STAGE SPARRING SHOW ON DOCK TONIGHT

Constitute Show

A sparring carnival of seven matches, 26 rounds in all, will take place this evening at 8:30 o'clock on the Seminole "This indicated the broad scope of dock, at the custom house. Sailors

To enable the spectators to get good views of the men in action the ring has been elevated five feet, instead of

First bout, four rounds, Mann vs. Egan. Second bout, four rounds, Fulcher vs

Third bout, four rounds. Van De Venter vs. Hansen. Fourth bout, four rounds, Howie vs. Sudstorm. Star bont, four rounds, Smith vs

Girst. The sixth and seventh bouts will be of three rounds each and the contestants will be announced before the

SCARE THIEF AWAY Frightened away before the spare to a reporr made to police headquar-Reflecting further upon extraordi- ters yesterday morning.

## NATURE IS REPLACING NOTED COTTON FIRM MOVES COMMISSIONERS FAVOR FINAL PREPARATIONS TOPSAIL ANNEXATION FOR HOSPITAL DRIVE

Board Pleases Delegation From Pender

marked the installation of the firm of he said that he might be pardoned for sembly so wills, Topsail township, Penrelating an incident which occurred der county, will be annexed by New years ago shortly after one of the Hanover, the board of commissioners worse panics he had ever known. He of New Hanover yesterday afternoon was on a business visit to London and unanimously voting in favor of annexlook down upon the swarming mass sail, J. C. Nixon, Ivey W. Sidbury, F.

banker who accompanied him, said: they represented. "You see below you a mass of strugvoted by Topsail township. The terms each day and make their reports.

securities. The banker said he had and by Rev. J. J. Crowley and Dr. L. canvass will be fully explained. gilt-edge securities of any descrip- B. Sasser, local citizens, during the, With strong endorsements of the tion, stocks and bonds, but the gov- hearing. The township is nearly one- campaign from the Ministerial assoernor said that would not do-he must helf as large as all of New Hanover ciation and the Rotary and Kiwanis

t ever felt more humble in my life, be- voted and which will be issued by the fore a few citizens have borne all of the highest compliment ever paid to tion goes through, are counted. There commencing with the beneficence of are ten townships in Pander county and the late James Walker, who left a beat New York, Charlotte, Savannah, Ga. | In the preface of one of Dr. Sprunt's yesterday that Topsail paid one-sev-struggled to bring the hospital to its and Houston, Texas, with foreign books on "Events of the Lower Cape enth of the county's taxes and got present state of efficiency. But the

Members of the delegation request-

Complaint Lodged as to Practice rant charged the sale of whiskey in On Shipyard Cars

the sum and substance of a complaint quashing. lodged yesterday at police headquarters and immediately referred to General Manager Raymond Hunt, of the power company, for investigation and disposi-

According to the complaint made the police, negroes have been crowding to the front of the cars and forcing white women to take the rear seats. The complaintant asserted that the violation of the state "Jim Crow" law, calling for separation of persons of the two the deputy recorder presided. races on common carriers, was called in the Havre firm were all trained to the attention of the motorman but that employe "either refused or failed

tion of the complaint.

# By Unanimous Vote County GET STARTED TONIGHT

At 6:30 This Evening Meeting of Workers Will Be Held At Variety Lunch Room

Final preparations will get under way at a meeting tonight for the was asked to go to a top story of a ation. The action of the commission-\$100,000 drive citizens will make next hank near the Bank of England and ers came after a delegation from Top- week for the James Walker Memorial hospital. At 6:30 the executive comof exchange buyers and sellers which M. Foy, R. L. Foy and R. T. Shingle- mittee will confer with the leaders of assembled in the open in front of the ton had made overtures in behalf of 98 the men's and women's divisions and The prominent per cent of the population of Topsail all team captains relative to the campaign and plans will be laid for a big Under the terms of the resolution inauguration of the project next Tuesgling humanity selling and buying adopted by the commissioners, Topsail day. Preceding the meeting will be a bills of exchange from all parts of the township shall continue to levy and supper and the scene will be the Vaworld, and I will venture to say that collect all special school taxes voted riety lunch room, on Market street, not a single one of the firms whose in the various districts, and the board near Second, and there, too, will be bills are being sold there stand any of New Hanover county shall have the held the daily luncheon during the higher than your firm in Wilming- right to sell all road bonds heretofore drive, when all the teams will meet

"He said," added Dr. Sprunt, "as a of the New Hanover commissioners The meeting tonight will be a dematter of fact, he had to see the gov- were quickly accepted by the delega- cidedly informative and interesting ernor of the Bank of England several tion, whose next duties will be to one. George B. Elliott, general chairmonths ago during the height of the properly prepare and get through the man of the campaign, and Rev. Frank panic and ask for his assistance. The legislature a bill reassigning Topsail Dean, who heads the executive committee, will probably have a word of Some very interesting facts were advice to say to the captains and the applicant would furnish satisfactory were brought out by the delegation campaign in its working as to the

county, its territory being between 104 clubs, as well as a pledge of co-oper-Quoting his banker friend Dr. Sprunt and 120 square miles. Five postoffices, ation and support from these organ-"I said, 'I can give you all are in Topsail, they being Scott's Hill, izations, the workers fell decidedly opder Sprunt and Son, Incorporated, with of that—from Maine to Texas and Hampstead, Vista, Sloopoint and Top- timistic about the outcome. They fourteen shareholders, they being Dr. with the best names. What kind do sail. Two-thirds of the population is realize that the sum sought is large you want?" "Oh," said the governor east of the railroad running through; and that the time may not be the most of the Bank of England, "give us some the township and a major part of the propitious, but they also feel, they device-president; T. E. Sprunt, treasurer; of that good Sprunt paper and we will land is in cultivation, it was pointed clare, that the public is appreciative of the great work that has been done assistant secretary; J. Hunter Wood, "I confess," admitted Dr. Sprunt yes- Topsail's population is between 2,000 by the James Walker-Memorial hos-New York; H. M. Crosswell, Houston, terday, "I at first thought my friend and 2,200, and it has a property valua- pital and that this is the very first members of the delegation asserted quest for building the structure, have need is so great now, in order that the Liverpool. England, and historian, of Raleigh, writes in part, as If they wished schools, they asserted, institution may meet the requirements they had to issue bonds, and it was the of the community, that it is necessary "Nearly 30 years ago the present same by improved roads. If New Han- to make an appeal that must be heeded, posed of W. G. Farmer, auditor of home | senior partner (of the Sprunt firm) in over didnt' want Topsail declare those who have so willingly office and American branches; W. L. this house foresaw that the source of would borrow a little territory from and gladly obligated themselves to Moore, chief clerk; W. L. Fisher, audi- cotton supply and demand would ulti- an adjoining county and create a new lay aside their own private affairs tor of county agents; T. S. Payne, mately be brought into closer rela- one; that was the outspoken sentiment next week and engage in the drive. Dalziel Sprunt, E. S. LeGrand, John tions; and he made a tour of 17 for- of the delegation. The township, Many words of commendation and Carter, J. C. Slocum, W. K. Gaylor, L. S. eign countries in which American cot- years ago, was a part of New Hanover encouragement have reached the exrow, Russell Walton. Miss J. D. Wood, business relations between the foreign transferred to Pender. Wilmington is committee feel good over the project more readily accessible than is Bur- and confident that a grateful public It was the pioneer movement, and the gaw, in fact this seems more like will respond and make the campaign

#### NAMED IN BOOZE CHARGE

Recorder's Court

Unable to prove the date of an alleged sale of whiskey was in December, 1921, a bill of indictment charging IS VIOLATED ON CARS Bennie Pearce with violating the prohibition laws was quashed in recorder's court yesterday morning. The war-December of this year, some 10 months removed, and the prosecution was unable to arrive at any more conclusive That the "Jim Crow" law is being date, hence the action of Deputy Reviolated on the Carolina Shipyards line | corder John J. Furlong in heeding the of the Tidewater Power company was plea of counsel for the defense for

A charge of larceny against Herbert unningham was changed to trespass and the defendant was sentenced to serve a term of 30 days on the county

roads. Thomas, arraigned under a John charge of house breaking, was bound to the coming term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases under bond of \$500. In the absence of Recorder George Harriss, who is in Raleigh on business,

CAKE AND CANDY SALE The ladies of Trinity Methodist church will hold a cake and candy General Manager Hunt, of the trac-| sale at the place of business of the tion company, promised police depar'- Jones Motor Sales company, corner of yesterday afternoon for her initial sea having always practiced that principle. mington business, first and last, fortu- ment officials an immediate investiga- Third and Market streets. Saturday morning from 9 to 12 o'clock.

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