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NEWS AND COMMENT.

The Weather.
The weather for North Carolina today will be generally fair; nearly stationary temperature; westerly winds, diminishing in force.

The West Virginia deadlock remains unbroken. One thing seems, however, to be settled—Golf can't get there.

A member of the Legislature has introduced a bill to abolish court house rings. A bill to abolish the dead weight in order.

The bill creating a Secretary of Agriculture, with a seat in the Cabinet, has been practically agreed on by the Conference Committee.

The New Bern Journal remarks: "It is facetiously said that the Governor's staff moves by battalion, and executes evolutions of the line."

It seems now to be settled that Wannaker will go into the Cabinet as Postmaster General. Corruption will be honored, and hypocrisy enthroned in State.

Rev. N. R. Cobb has become the Financial Agent of Judson College, Hendersonville. He has, in consequence, resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church at Rockingham.

Col. A. S. Buford is being advocated for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Virginia. His elevation to the executive chair of that grand old State would gratify a wide circle of friends in North Carolina.

Samoa is in Oceania, directly west of Peru, about half way between the Sandwich Islands and New Zealand, and in longitude about 171° west from Greenwich. The Samoan group consists of twelve islands, all save one being of volcanic origin. The population is estimated at 50,000.

A politician has been arrested and jailed in West Virginia for paying two dollars for a vote and supplying the voter with whiskey also. If all the politicians, who with money and whiskey corrupted electors last November, were indicted the prisons would be full of the sinners that their legs would stick out of the windows.

Blaine, it is said, is certainly to be made Secretary of State. The position has been offered him, reports say, and he has accepted it. Somebody remarked awhile back that for General Harrison to withstand Blaine's ambition to become Premier, he must have a spinal column strong as the Washington monument. It begins to look like the aforesaid vertebrae is only a cotton string.

Will not the road supervisors and county authorities, heed the cry of the farmers living north of Asheville for passable roads? The roads should be put in good order at once. But, alas! alas! the road law under which we live and languish, is altogether inadequate and inefficient. Until a new system of road-making is inaugurated, we see little hope for improvement in our roads.

A dispatch from Pittsburg announces that a Catholic colonization society has been formed with a capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars divided into four thousand shares. The objects of the society are to establish Catholic colonies in the South to engage in manufacturing, mining, lumbering, stock-raising and other like occupations. It is said that large tracts of land will be purchased in Southern Georgia and Alabama and that the capital stock may possibly be increased to one million dollars. Why is Western North Carolina not embraced in this scheme? Has the Hot Springs Convention of last May, yielded no results? Was all that said and done there mere vapor? For manufacturing, mining, lumbering, and stock-raising, there is no more inviting field, than this Switzerland of America.

The public will be shocked and pained at the distressing intelligence about Senator Vance. Can it be true? Is it not a hoax? If a joke, it is a senseless and cruel one. But if true, the warmest sympathies of the people of North Carolina will go out to the sufferer, with ardent wishes for his speedy recovery and return to his post in the Senate which he adorns with such fervent patriotism, such power of argument, such brilliancy and charm of wit! Lord Nelson, with one eye, after the loss of the other in the service of his country, guided the fleets of England to victory. Zeb Vance, with a single visual orb, can yet direct the course of his grand constituency along the paths of honest and patriotic politics, and in his exalted seat continue to exercise that ceaseless vigilance which thus far has characterized his splendid career in the Senate.

The Pacific squadron, under Rear-Admiral L. A. Kimberly, United States Navy, is charged with the duty of maintaining the authority of the United States in all matters of national concern, and now has special oversight of the Samoan Islands. This squadron consists of the following vessels:
Trenton, flagship, second rate, Capt. N. H. Farquhar, 10 guns.
Vandalia, second rate, Capt. C. M. Schoontmaker, 8 guns.
Adams, third rate, Commander Richard P. Leary, 8 guns.
Alert, third rate, Commander J. P. Graham.
Dolphin, dispatch boat, third rate, Commander George P. Wilde, 1 gun, (new ordnance 6-inch rifle.)
Mohican, third rate, Commander J. B. Coghlan, 8 guns.
Monongahela, sails, Commander Geo. E. Wingate, 3 guns.
Nipic, third rate, Commander D. W. Mullan, 6 guns.
Pinta, fourth rate, Lieut. Commander J. S. Newell, 4 howitzers.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

SENATOR M. C. BUTLER'S CREDENTIALS PRESENTED, READ AND FILED.

Mr. Humphill and His Bill Before the House—Mr. Randall Objects—Consideration of the Sundry Civil Appropriations Bill, &c.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—SENATE:—The credentials of Mr. Butler for a new senatorial term were presented by Mr. Hampton, read and placed on file. The Senate bill to change the date for commencement of the March term (from the first to second Monday) of the United States District court for the northern district of Georgia, was reported and passed.

Mr. Sherman moved to reconsider the vote by which the House bill to transfer certain counties from the southern to the northern judicial district of Georgia, was recently passed, and said that he made the motion in consequence of certain telegrams which he had received from Georgia, and which he desired to have looked into.

Mr. Wilson, of Iowa, and Mr. Brown said that the objections were to the House bill, not to the bill as amended and passed by the Senate. The motion to reconsider was entered.

The army nurses pension bill was taken up, amended and passed.

The diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was taken up.

Among the amendments adopted were those appropriating \$15,000 for the benefit of Japanese families who suffered from the target practice of Commodore Shufeldt's ship *Onuma*, and providing for a consular-general at Apia, Samoa, at a salary of \$3,000.

HOUSE:—On motion of Mr. Ermentrout, of Pennsylvania, the Senate concurrent resolution was agreed to, providing for a joint meeting of the two houses of Congress on Wednesday the 13th day of February, for the purpose of counting the electoral vote.

The committee on the district of Columbia, through Chairman Hemphill, made a struggle to secure the floor, which, by a rule of the House, was accorded to it on the second and fourth Mondays of each month; but the committee on appropriations under the leadership of Mr. Randall, proved too formidable an antagonist, and the House declined to consider the district business.

Bill after bill was called up by Mr. Hemphill, only to be side-tracked by the question of consideration raised by Mr. Randall.

Mr. Hemphill then attempted to have a day set apart for the consideration of the district business, declining to accept a night session, and remarking sarcastically that the trouble about the district business was that every member knew all about it, and that the question of no quorum would certainly be raised.

Mr. Blount objected to the assignment of a day, and when Mr. Hemphill moderated his demands and asked for a night session, Mr. Blount again objected, unless Mr. Hemphill would promise not to call up the Rock Creek park bill; a promise which Mr. Hemphill declined to give. No agreement was arrived at, and the House went into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dockery, of Missouri, in the chair, on the sundry civil appropriations bill.

The pending amendment, appropriating \$25,000 for investigating the best method of irrigating arid sections was agreed to.

On a point of order, raised by Mr. Kilgore, of Texas, the clause providing for a Congressional committee to institute an inquiry into the condition of Alaska was ruled out of the bill. Mr. McComas, of Maryland, offered an amendment appropriating \$50,000 for the education of children of school age in Alaska, without reference to race. Agreed to.

Several amendments were adopted involving small amounts, and pending action on the bill, the House, at 5 o'clock, adjourned.

A long debate followed, in which Messrs. Plumb and Reagan were the chief opponents of Mr. Gibson's amendment. Gibson's amendment was advocated by Hale, Hawley, Sherman, Evans and Hoar.

Mr. Call also sustained the amendment, and without coming to a vote on Mr. Gibson's amendment the Senate at 5 o'clock adjourned.

SENATOR VANCE'S EYE.

A PAINFUL AND DELICATE OPERATION SUCCESSFULLY PERFORMED YESTERDAY.

A Fatal Boiler Explosion.

By Telegraph to the Citizen.

KANSAS CITY, January 28.—A boiler exploded in the saw mill of E. F. Perkins, at Poplar Bluff, Saturday night, killing three men and fatally injuring three more. The killed are, Judge J. R. Stramunt, John Chromister, and John Moore. Robert Malcom was fatally injured, and Richard H. Perkins, proprietor, and Richard Robins, received fatal wounds. Claiborne and Robert Spencer, who were employed about the mill, were also badly hurt, while four others escaped with slight injuries. The entire mill and one hundred feet of a shed attached to it, were blown down and portions of the boiler were carried three hundred yards off. Judge Stramunt, Mr. Robins and some others were passing by and stopped, just a few minutes before the explosion. A leak of water in the boiler caused the disaster.

King Humbert Talks Peace.

By Telegraph to the Citizen.

ROME, Jan. 28.—Parliament was opened today by King Humbert in person. In his speech the King alluded to the bills which would be introduced by the government as eminently pacific. Peace, he declared, should nevertheless be safeguarded by necessary force, otherwise the government would betray the country.

The demonstrations made during his visit to the province of Romagna gave him fresh proof of the people's affection for the royal house. The visit of the Emperor of Germany had proved the depth of Germany's attachment to Italy. In conclusion the King said: "Italy will continue to work for peace, which all desire, and which I can declare will be kept by us."

Washington Notes.

By Telegraph to the Citizen.

WASHINGTON, January 28.—The treasury today accepted \$109,800 in bonds; being all four and halves, offered at 109.

Cotton Report Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Citizen.

NEW YORK, January 28.—Hubbard, Price & Co., in their circular to-day say: "Our market opened steady, but the pressure of heavy selling orders from New Orleans and Europe more than filled the market and showed more resistance than for some time past, we closed it at a loss of from four to five points from Saturday evening, though the feeling after the close was better."

Rev. James Atkins.

The pulpit at the French Broad Baptist church was filled on Sunday morning by the above named gentleman. One of those who heard his discourse yesterday told the CITIZEN that his sermon was one of special interest and excellence. Said our friend:

"It fully repaid the congregation for their walk through the showers and mud to hear it. It was original, fresh, well-expressed, instructive, and in a high degree devout. The only thing that marred the enjoyment of it was the obvious fact that the preacher was suffering from indisposition, and was hastening to a conclusion. It seems a pity that a minister of his splendid abilities should be shut up in a school-room."

Two Deaths in Leicester.

News of the sudden death of Mr. Fidele Sluder was reported to the CITIZEN yesterday. The deceased was a brother to the late E. Sluder, of this city, and was quite aged. The cause of his death was paralysis. He died on Friday night, and his remains were interred Saturday evening. Mr. Sluder was one of the prominent citizens of Buncombe; was a magistrate in Leicester township, and was quite wealthy.

The Railway Delegation.

The meeting of the Board of Trade, should be well attended by members, this evening. The selection of the railway delegation to visit Rutherfordton on February 4th, is a matter that should be most thoroughly canvassed. None but the best citizens should be appointed in that delegation. The building of the line between the former place and Asheville, means more for the development of our city, than most of us are at first able to appreciate. Let us have the connection. We can secure it if we so desire.

Real Estate Transfers.

E. R. Israel, adm'r, to T. J. Carl-land, one tract of land in Buncombe; amount, \$27.50
Emma S. Kimberly, to T. M. Kimberly, one tract of land in Buncombe; amount, 600
J. W. Baley to J. M. Baley, et. als., one tract of land in Buncombe, amount, 364
R. M. Stephens to T. M. Porter, one tract of land in Buncombe; amount, 202.50
Total amount of transactions, \$1,194.00
Two cases tried in the police court yesterday morning, netted the city \$23 in fines.

THE PARIS ELECTIONS.

BOULANGER RETURNED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE SEINE.

The Ministry Resigned, and General Compaignon, Will be Asked to Form a New Cabinet—the French Press on the Outcome of the Election.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—The Cabinet had a meeting this morning, and discussed the measures to be adopted in the event of disorders arising. It is stated that a majority of the ministers are in favor of dissolving the Chambers and holding a general election in April, after first modifying the electoral laws in order to prevent plebeian proceedings.

Complete returns show the following result: Boulanger, 244,070; Jacques, 162,520; Boule 16,760; other candidates 10,358. Boulanger's plurality 81,552; Boulanger's majority 54,532.

Gen. Boulanger, responding to an interview this afternoon, said he felt sure that his majority would be sixty thousand. The general's electoral organization is perfect. His followers everywhere have been instructed to maintain order, otherwise they would injure him.

The excitement grew at 8 o'clock when the returns showed Gen. Boulanger's majority to be five thousand in the St. Denis district, and that he had polled three times more votes than his opponent in the 8th arrondissement.

Members of the government are astounded at the result. Bets are freely offered that the ministry will resign tomorrow.

Boulanger is spending the evening at the Cafe Durand, where he is informed by friends of the results in divisions. The streets are thronged with people excitedly discussing the upshot of the election. The newspaper offices are displaying the returns by means of illuminated placards.

Some members of the Chamber of Deputies advocate strong anti-Boulanger measures by the government, and urge that General Compaignon be asked to form a Cabinet.

President Carnot held a conference with many men prominent in political life, and it is the President's intention to calmly await events and to accept the responsibility the situation involves. He will not abandon the presidency until the expiration of his term of office.

Prime Minister Floquet has decided to resign or to take any other action that the Chamber of Deputies may consider in the interests of the republic.

In consequence of the victory of Gen. Boulanger yesterday, the ministry tendered their resignations this morning, but President Carnot declined to accept them.

The Republican journals of the city, while admitting that the election of Boulanger is a serious reverse, declare that it is not sufficient to discourage the party, which must unite more closely against the threatened Caesarism.

The Monarchist papers assert that the result of the election is a condemnation of the parliamentary republic, and press agents downfall.

The Boulangerist organs emphatically declare that the election is a blow to the government.

The *Pigaro* says that at to-day's session of the Chamber of Deputies, M. Jouvein, Radical, will question the government as to what measures it will adopt to check the spread of Boulangerism. Premier Floquet will reply to M. Jouvein's interpretation.

NORTH CAROLINA ENTERPRISES.

Steady Growth of Manufactures—Latest Reports From All Parts of the State.

(From the Manufacturers' Record.)

Asheville—Cotton Factory.—It is reported that the Graham Manufacturing Co., contemplate enlarging their cotton factory again.

Asheville—Street Railroad.—Natt Atkinson, M. J. Fagg, James P. Sawyer and others have chartered the Asheville East Line Co., to build a street railroad. They are to begin construction in ninety days.

Asheville—Opera House.—The Asheville Opera House Co., lately mentioned as to be incorporated by C. T. Rawls and C. D. Blanton, will erect a building with a seating capacity of about 1,500.

Charlotte—Electric Light Plant.—The Charlotte Gas Light Co., will have their charter amended to secure power to increase their capital stock from \$50,000 to \$100,000, and power to erect an electric plant.

Charlotte—Hotel.—It is contemplated to enlarge the Buford House.

Concord—Cotton Mill.—The Cannon Manufacturing Co. are adding to their cotton mill 6 cards, 1 slubber, 1 speeder, 1,000 spindles, 30 looms and 1 lapper. All is purchased.

Gibsonville—Cotton Mill.—The Minneola Manufacturing Co. are purchasing additional machinery for their cotton mill.

Goldboro—Water Works.—The contract to build the water works, previously mentioned, has been awarded to a Northern firm.

Graham.—The Graham Building & Loan Association, has been organized with James V. Pomeroy as president.

Greensboro—Flour Mill.—W. A. Field will establish a roller flour mill in the building formerly used by him as a tobacco factory.

Greensboro—Filter.—The Greensboro Water Co., contemplate putting in a water filter, but have not decided as to the kind to be used.

High Point—Foundry and Machine Shop.—J. Elwood Cox and others, have commenced work on their foundry and machine shop, reported last week to be built. It will be 70x30 feet. At first, power will be secured from Mr. Cox's spoke factory.

High Point—Furniture Factory.—John H. Tate contemplates starting a furniture factory soon and wants catalogues, etc., of machinery for manufacturing all kinds of furniture.

Lenoir—Chair Factory, &c.—J. A. Montgomery contemplates starting a chair factory or a wash, door and blind factory, and wants catalogues of machinery.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE SENATE BRANCH OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION.

Bills Acted Upon in Both Houses—The Electors' Qualification Question Introduced—Contested Elections.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 28.—The following was announced as the Senate branch of the special joint committee on Governor's mansion: Reid, of Mecklenburg; Moore, of Rockingham; Rice, of New Hanover.

The following bills passed their final reading: To allow Clay county to issue bonds; incorporating West Asheville; to extend the time for the beginning of work on the East Carolina road; to extend until July 1890, the time for commencing and settling the State debt; to prevent the careless rafting of logs down the Mills and French Broad Rivers and their tributaries; the resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation for completing the improvement of Neuse river to Smithfield, Johnston county.

In the House bills were introduced to facilitate the cancellation of mortgages; to make swamp lands subject to entry; to amend the constitution so as to make the payments of poll tax a necessary qualification for electors, with exception in favor of persons who are certified by county commissioners to be paupers; to abolish court house rings. (This caused much merriment.)

By Mr. Carter, in reference to the election of trustees of the State board of agriculture.

By Mr. Baird, to prohibit the use of dynamite in killing fish.

The resolution endorsing the mission of commissioner of immigration Patrick in a visit North for the purpose of arranging for a permanent Southern exposition, and also expressing the sense of the House, as a desire for immigration of well-behaved and industrious persons, passed its second and third readings.

The bill to incorporate the Bank of Rocky Mount, passed its final reading.

Submitting the question of the abolition of the Homestead to a vote of the people, was tabled.

The bill to authorize Jackson county to levy a special tax to build bridges, passed its second reading.

The bill to protect oysters in the Roanoke river and Pamlico Sound passed its final reading. It prohibits the taking of oysters out of the State.

The bill to protect oysters in Albemarle, Croatan and Roanoke Sounds, providing that the water may be patrolled, etc., passed its final reading.

The Senate resolution providing for the use of electric lights in the Senate and House was adopted.

The contested election case of Green against Baucum, from Wake, was made the special order for to-morrow at noon, and the case of Green against Poace, from Jones, was made the special order for Thursday at noon.

A resolution was adopted instructing the committee on printing to report the bill in the matter of public printing, and to make no contract for such printing until that bill is acted on. The bill amends the law so as to allow a committee to make the contract.

A TERRIBLE WRECK.

ON THE AIR-LINE RAILROAD, NEAR REIDSVILLE, N. C.

A BRAKEMAN AND FIREMAN MORTEALLY INJURED, AND FOURTEEN CARS BURNED—THE SWITCH LEFT OPEN—INTENDED TO WRECK THE PASSENGER TRAIN.

(Special Telegram to the Citizen.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., January 28.—The freight train going north met with a disastrous wreck on the Air-Line road, three miles from Reidville, about midnight Saturday night, at a point known as Mispah, where the passenger train passes.

The train consisted of twenty-five cars and was running at a swift rate, when the engineer observed that just a few feet ahead of him the switch was wide open. It being too late to even check the speed, he leaped from the engine and called to the fireman to jump, but before the latter could do so, the engine had dashed from the track into a small creek, and fourteen cars in a great heap, were piled upon him.

A colored brakeman, bydney Lee, who was seen one moment before the accident on top of the front car, has not yet been found, and is supposed to have been buried with the wrecked cars.

Fireman Adams was covered completely up, and it required nine hours to rescue him, during which time it was necessary to continually dash cold water upon him. When taken out, it was discovered that one of his arms was cut off, and he was otherwise terribly mangled, and it is thought that he cannot possibly recover.

A fire-engine from Reidville rushed to the scene and rendered good service, but the train was an entire wreck. It is thought that the switch was opened by hands who intended to wreck the passenger train.

THE INFERIOR COURT.

Opening of the January Term Yesterday Morning.

At ten o'clock yesterday morning the January term of the inferior court for Buncombe, was declared open by the sheriff.

Presiding Justice Chas. A. Moore was on the bench, and the various officers of the court were in their accustomed places.

An excellent grand jury was empaneled, and charged in an able, learned and forcible manner by the Presiding Justice, after which a petit jury was empaneled.

There are forty-one cases on the docket for trial. A number of defendants in these cases are in jail.

There is a remarkably small attendance, owing, in a great measure, to the terrible condition of the roads leading into the city.

Among the cases disposed of at yesterday's session of the court were the following:
John Ledford, charged with assault with deadly weapon; acquitted.
C. B. Moore, charged with keeping an unlawful road; acquitted.

Several submissions were entered, and the first day's session adjourned to meet again this morning at ten o'clock.

About Town.

Mr. R. P. Walker has returned from Durham.

THE ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

A Meeting of the Directors Held Yesterday Afternoon—Arrangements Made for Operating the Line, &c.

A meeting of the Directors of the Asheville Electric Street Railway was held last evening for the purpose of making arrangements for operating the line.

The delay has been heretofore caused by various matters unexpected, and beyond control. For instance: On yesterday the track was blocked, through the kindness of Mr. Davidson in allowing the filters for the use of the city water-works, to be hauled on one of his freight cars, which took more time than was expected.

Notwithstanding the bad weather, we feel safe in asserting that the line will be opened for traffic during this week.

The passenger fare has been fixed at five cents, and the schedules will be very flexible for the present. They will be hereafter arranged as experience proves most acceptable to the public.

At first one car will begin running at about 6:30 a. m., in order to meet the early trains, and will be run principally for the convenience of railroad travelers.

The other two cars will begin service at 8 a. m., and run regularly until about 8:30 p. m., making trips each fifteen minutes.

Eight good men have been selected, as drivers and conductors, who will be suitably uniformed at once, and by authority of the chief of police, shall be specially authorized to preserve order on the line.

Suitable arrangements were made for the use of panes in the cars for advertising purposes.

All of this indicates an early beginning of what we have long anticipated.

Success to the Asheville Electric Street Railway.

Eight Pounds in Seventeen Days.

Mr. Wm. Y. Brent, of the passenger department of the Queen and Crescent Railway Co., with headquarters at Cincinnati, has returned home after a seven-day visit to Asheville. Mr. Brent came to our city suffering terribly with pulmonary affections. He left completely restored to health, and an increase in weight of eight pounds. He took no medicine at all while here, and told a reporter on this paper, that Asheville would, in future, find him a frequent visitor.

A New Hotel.

A large hotel is nearing completion at Hot Springs. It is located on the west side of the railroad, and near the Mountain Park property.

Remains Sent Home.

The remains of the late Miss Lizette Clymer, who died of consumption at Dr. Fargan's sanitarium, Sunday morning, were yesterday shipped to her late home in Pennsylvania for interment.