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ONE PRICE. The annual meetings of the stockholders of the Raleigh National Bank of North Carolina and of the National Bank of Raleigh will be held at their banking rooms in this city, N. C., on Tuesday, January 10th, 1888, at 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. respectively.

NEWS OBSERVATIONS.

Judge McCue will retire from the Solicitorship of the Treasury. Drinking and gambling seem to be as common on the first-class modern ocean steamer as they used to be on the Mississippi in the days of Jim Bludsoe and the Arkansas traveler.

Quill toothpicks come from France. The largest factory in the world is near Paris, where there is an annual output of 20,000,000 quills. The factory was started to make quill pens but when these went out of use it was turned into a toothpick mill.

The famous contest over the estate of the late James H. Paine, the New York miser of refined tastes and intelligence, who lived and died in a Drexler street attic, leaving over \$4,000,000 in cash, was decided Saturday against the will of James H. Wardwell, who was sole legatee and proponent, and in favor of the Cleggett of Boston.

Vital statistics in Florida for the past year show that the percentage of deaths per 1,000 was only 13.7, or, deducting non-resident invalids, 12.4 per cent per 1,000. The total mortality for consumption is 28 per 1,000, and among residents only 1.5 per 1,000. Deaths from malarial fevers are remarkably few. Only one case of yellow fever came within 200 miles of Jacksonville.

A special correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, writing from Augusta, Georgia, expresses emphatically the opinion that the colored population of the South is steadily decreasing, and predicts that there are next year will be 100,000 less. He points to the mortality tables as proof of his assertion that the death rate in proportion to the numbers of the two races "is double, treble, and often still larger among the colored people than among the whites."

A White Man Lynched by Negroes. Charlotte Chronicle. Passengers who arrived in Charlotte on the Air-Line train last Sunday report that at the time they passed Central considerable excitement prevailed in the vicinity of that place over the lynching by a mob of negroes of a half-witted white man. The victim had been arrested upon the charge of having committed an outrage upon the person of a colored woman, and as the sheriff was taking him to jail he was surrounded by a crowd of armed colored people, who secured the prisoner and, proceeding to a point about half a mile from Central, swung him up to a tree. The lynching broken down by handshakes and shouts about Central had the reputation of being weak minded. A few whites, it is said, were in the crowd that lynched him. His body was cut down Saturday evening.

At the meeting here last night decided to go on a strike and as a consequence there is but one roofing colliery in this district working today and that one is short handed. Riley & Co. have made a satisfactory agreement with their employees and their collieries are in operation. This agreement, it is said, is a continuance of the rate of wages in force during the past few months.

WASHINGTON.

YESTERDAY'S BUDGET OF NEWS.

PREPARING FOR THE REASSEMBLING OF CONGRESS—THE BLAIR EDUCATIONAL BILL—OTHER TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Court of Claims today dismissed the case of the Mississippi Railroad Company against the United States, the claim for compensation being for carrying mails before the war.

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A PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT.

Touching Certain Red River Territory. WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The President has issued the following proclamation: "Whereas, The title to all that territory lying between the North and South forks of the Red River and the hundredth degree of longitude and the jurisdiction over the same are vested in the United States, it being a part of the Indian territory, as shown by surveys and investigations made on behalf of the United States, which territory the State of Texas also claims title to and jurisdiction over; and Whereas, Said conflicting claims grow out of a controversy existing between the United States and the State of Texas as to the point where the hundredth degree of longitude crosses the Red river as described in the treaty of February 22d, 1819, between the United States and Spain, fixing the boundary line between the two countries, and Whereas, Commissioners appointed on the part of the United States by the act of January 31, 1855, authorizing the appointment of a commission by the President to run and mark the boundary line between that portion of the Indian Territory and the State of Texas in connection with a similar commission to be appointed by the State of Texas, have, by their report, determined that the south fork of the Red river designated in the treaty, the commissioners appointed on the part of said State refusing to concur in the said report; Now, therefore, I, Grover Cleveland, President of the United States, do hereby admonish and warn all persons, whether claiming to act as officers of the county of Greer in the State of Texas or otherwise, against selling or disposing of, or attempting to sell or dispose of any of said lands or any portion thereof, or attempting to use any authority over said lands, and I also warn and admonish all persons against purchasing any part of said Territory from any person or persons whomsoever."

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