

Post Office Regulations.

The mails will close from this date as follows: Northern (through) mails... 8 P M

Hours for opening and closing Wilmington Library Association Reading Room, daily:

NEIL GERKIN has charge of our city circulation, and is authorized to collect moneys due therefor.

GEO. N. HARRISS is authorized to contract for advertisements and to receipt for any moneys due the Post.

Signal Service, U. S. Army--Weather Report. OBSERVER'S OFFICE, WILMINGTON, JANUARY 31, 1874.

CITY ITEMS. BALDWIN'S Monthly for February is out.

THERE were eight interments in the Forest Cemetery during the past week: adults 4; children 4.

BISHOP ATKINSON will conduct the services at Calvary Church, in Wadesboro, to-morrow.

ROUTE carrier boys are not authorized to sell copies of the POST.

EFFECTS of panic tremendous: Turn in prices at S. HANSTEIN & CO'S

SIXTY-EIGHT heaves, 86 hogs, 6 sheep, 2 calves and 1 deer have been slaughtered for market purposes during the week.

THIRTEEN more shares of the Street Railroad, making ninety-eight in all, have been subscribed for up to 2 o'clock today.

Go to George Myers' and buy some of the best butter in the world. He has everything else in the Grocery line, equally as good.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH--Services to-morrow at 11 o'clock, a. m., and 7 1/2 o'clock, p. m., by Rev. Edward Martin, of St. Charles, Mo.

THE person who lost a shawl some time during the present week, can obtain the same by paying for this notice and applying at this office.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH--German service at 11 a. m.; English service at 7 1/2 p. m.

THE TOWN CRIER.

Mild. Gold is 111 1/2. Business is a little dull. Go to church to-morrow. Read the advertisements.

MORE improvements, tending towards the comfort of the patrons and the beautifying of the Opera House, have been made by Capt. E. J. Pennypacker, the lessee.

GOODS FOUND--Last night between twelve and one o'clock, a wash bowl and pitcher were stolen.

DEAD--We regret to learn of the demise of Mr. Sam'l R. Bunting, who departed this life about two o'clock this morning.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, corner of Market and Fifth Streets--Elder J. C. Hiden, pastor.

DANGEROUS--The dangerous practice of shinney is indulged in by the boys of this city to a very alarming extent.

CAUGHT--Thursday night, about 12 o'clock, Officer Lawrence Allen discovered a man whom he supposed to be a suspicious character walking cautiously along on the dark side of the street.

A bachelor says if you had a lady a newspaper with a paragraph cut out of it, not a line of it will be read, but every bit of interest felt in the paper by the lady will center in finding out what the missing paragraph contained.

When I think of the bummers that left Boston in 1849 to find their fortunes in California, and then hear Bret Harte call 'em Argonauts, said a gentleman after the lecture, "I must award to Bret the credit of refinin' whatever he teches.

OPERA HOUSE--The concert last night took every one by surprise. Of course so large a number of young gentlemen, drew a large audience, especially of the youthful portion of the gentler sex and a splendid house was the result.

Mrs. Kahnweiler, who so kindly consented to aid them, sang well--as usual. She added new numbers to her long list of admirers, and deserved the hearty encores she received.

As a whole, the concert was good, and will bear repetition. We hope at no distant day, to listen to the strains of this band in the open air.

An enthusiast was turned out of the gallery of a Memphis theater, the other night, for encouraging the antics of Miss Lydia Thompson with the delighted exclamation of "Bully for you, old top-top! Good lordy look at her kick!"

A noted horse jockey "down east" was awakened one night by a violent thunder storm. Being somewhat timid, he awoke his wife with "Wife! wife! do you suppose the Day of Judgment has come?"

Some waggish soul having stated in Harper's Bazar that the line "though lost to sight, to memory dear," originated with Ruthven Jenkins, and first appeared in the Gentleman's Magazine for Marines, in 1701 or 1702, the London Illustrated News fell into the trap.

A colored man applied to a Boston savings bank, wishing to draw one dollar. The clerk informed him that the iron rule of the institution forbids the withdrawal of less than three dollars.

As soon as the Congressional chaplain closes his appeal to the Throne of Grace, there is a clapping of hands all over the floor. It is the way the members have of calling pages to their side.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

OHIO. CLEVELAND, January 31. The fire is still burning, but is now under control. Loss estimated as follows: Worthington, on building, from \$75,000 to \$80,000, on stock, from \$215,000 to \$225,000--insured for \$175,000.

NEW YORK. NEW YORK, January 31. The Free Thinkers' meeting at Cooper Institute to-day was orderly. Garnier beat Ubassy--score 600 to 406.

WASHINGTON. WASHINGTON, January 31. The French Minister presented his letter of recall yesterday. Mutual compliments passed.

ILLINOIS. CHICAGO, January 31. The Brai Berith Convention adjourned sine die.

CANADA. TORONTO, January 31. The Royal Lyceum Theatre is burned.

ENGLAND. LONDON, January 31. The city candidates addressed their constituents. Baron Rothschild said that in his opinion Mr. Gladstone promised the remission of taxes, which would involve a loss of £9,000,000 sterling to the revenue.

Mr. Goshen declared himself in favor of the integrity of the empire, by which he meant no "Home Rule" and the maintenance of the present relations with colonies.

Wm. H. Smith, the Conservative candidate for Westminster, also spoke at the public meeting. He stated that during his recent trip to the United States he had full opportunity to observe universally the corrupting tendency of Democratic institutions which Liberals sought to introduce into England.

There were several meetings where speakers were compelled to stop. There is apprehension of disturbances at Greenwich this afternoon, where Gladstone speaks. The thoroughfares will be closed an hour before Gladstone commences. All the troops are ordered to the barracks.

Quantities of tobacco are coming to Durham, and the price is good. All the press of the State are calling upon the General Assembly to adjourn.

DIED. BUNTING--This morning, at his residence in this city, SAMUEL R. BUNTING, age, 52 years and 6 months.

COMMERCIAL. WILMINGTON MARKET. SATURDAY, Jan. 31--3:30 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE--Sales of 114 casks at 42 cents per gallon. Market firm.

RECEIPTS per railroad of naval stores as appears on the bulletin board of the Produce Exchange Jan. 31st: Cotton, (bales) 139

NEW YORK MARKETS. NEW YORK, Jan. 31. Cotton dull and nominal with sales of 174 bales. Uplands 16 cents; Orleans 16 1/2 cents.

FINANCIAL. NEW YORK, Jan. 31. Gold opened at 111 1/2. Stocks active and strong. Money--4 per cent. bid.

FOREIGN MARKETS. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 31. Cotton flat. Uplands 7 1/2; Orleans 8 1/2. Sales of 10,000 bales, including to speculators.

MARINE. Port of Wilmington, Jan. 31, 1874. ARRIVED. Steamer D. Murchison, Garrison, Fayetteville, Williams & Murchison.

RECEIPTS. PER RIVER STEAMERS, &c. Steamer D. Murchison--703 bbls rosin, 61 do spirits, 73 do tar, 23 do turpentine, 29 bales cotton, 3 do yarn.

EXPORTS. COASTWISE. New York--Steamship Metropolis--457 bales cotton, 691 casks spirits turpentine, 418 bbls bbls rosin, 316 tar, 152 do crude turpentine, 367 bushels peanuts, 40 empty oil bbls.

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List of Vessels in this Port. STEAMSHIPS. Lucille, Bennett, A D Cazaux; Steam tug Ida, Baker, J H Neff

BRIGS. Avance, Thorstensen, R E Heide; Nor Elide, Klom, R E Heide

BARQUES. Ger Barque Amelia, Hedwig, Antwerp, dis; E Peschau & Westerman

SCHOONERS. Martha A., Glass, G G Barker & Co; J C Craft, Kennedy, rpg; G G Barker & Co

List of Vessels Sailed for this Port. BRIDGEWATER. Hertha, Olthaber, sld Dec 6

BANGOR. Isaac Carver, Williams, sld Oct 11; Addie L. Cutler, Smith, sld Aug 28

LIVERPOOL. Speed, Natvig, ent out Dec 8; Wilhelm Aischer, Burmeister, ent out Dec 8

The Democratic United States Senator elect, Withers, from Virginia, should have acquired a very considerable knowledge of parliamentary law and practice by the time he takes his seat in March, 1875.

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The Grand Rapids, Mich., Democrat is getting economical and has given orders for its night editor to keep standing the head-lines under which the defalcation of Republican cashiers and officials are recorded. So says the St. Albans, Vt., Transcript.