

CITY ITEMS.

Special Service, U. S. Army--Weather Report.

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OTTO SCRUTZER, Observer, U. S. A.

BILL GILES, who was caught last night, seems to be "an old" scoundrel, as there are now four indictments against him...

We are requested by Officer Lawrence Allen, of the police force, to state that he caught the thief, Bill Giles, on Water street, last night...

CLOTHING is down, money being scarce, we are offering our entire stock of clothing, boots and shoes at suspension prices.

S. HANSTEIN & Co's, New York House, 15 Market st.

YESTERDAY afternoon, Mr. Rice Merritt, who is in the employ of the W. & W. R. R. Company, at the Union Depot, was severely though not dangerously mangled by the bumpers of a couple of flat cars...

"DISCHARGED." The trial of Mr. James W. Barnes for shooting a crazy man calling himself Joseph W. Moore, a full account of which has appeared in the Post, come off this morning before Justice Gardner. The evidence being sufficient to prove that the man was acting in a very suspicious manner, leading Mr. Barnes to the belief that Moore was trying to rob him, the Magistrate decided that under the circumstances he was justifiable in shooting, and was discharged.

OWING to the late panic we will sell until January 1st, our entire stock at 25 per cent. less than New York cost.

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We learn from gentlemen who visited the operations of the "snag" boat employed on the obstructions in our river, that the efforts thus far have been very successful, having in two days work cleared out the channel at the shoals, a distance of 100 lineal feet and 35 feet wide, removing several large logs, dangerous to navigation--one of which 5 feet at the butt--long since embedded, bore evident signs of many serious rubbings, as it is worn away more than three-fourths its original size.

EFFECTS of panic tremendous: Tumblin' in prices at

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HIGHWAY ROBBERY.--Last Tuesday night, Mr. S. H. Bell, a merchant of Wilmington, was waylaid on his way to his home, by two men, who knocked him down and took his watch and pocket-book. Mr. Bell was senseless for a time, but was finally able to make his way to his home, reaching there about 8 o'clock. His son raised a posse of men and searched the scene of the outrage and the pocket-book and papers were found, but the money had been taken. Tracks were discovered and followed to the village, but of course were there lost in the road.

Officer Brown has been on the alert ever since, day and night, constantly, and this morning discovered the man and made affidavit before Squire Cassidy. The man, William Giles, is held by the city authorities on some petty charge, and at the present writing is in the Guard House. Giles left a watch with a man in this city for sale, and it is proved to be Mr. Bell's watch. As this is the first affair of the kind in that usually quiet neighborhood, there is great excitement over it. Mr. Bell is one of the first citizens of the county.

The injuries sustained by Mr. Bell are said to be very serious, and fears are entertained that the result will be fatal. He has four or five very severe gashes on his head, besides several bruises about his throat, face and arms. The man, William Giles, was heard several days ago to have threatened Mr. Bell's life for having said that he was a sharp chicken thief, and it is supposed that Giles had endeavored to put his threat into execution, and left Mr. Bell lying in the road, supposing he was dead.

THE TOWN CRIER.

Raw. Gold is 111 1/2. Beware of kicking mules. Bro. Muse, of the Star, is again ill. We are to have a chain gang on the streets. Considerable excitement over the conflict of authority to-day.

Careless driving should be stopped. A little boy came near being run over yesterday. New gas lamp in front of Gerkin & Haar's saloon; this will be appreciated by their hundreds of customers.

Mayor's Court. His Honor W. P. CANADAY, Mayor, presiding. W. M. Giles, larceny, judgment, \$25 and costs, or thirty days on the streets. W. Brown, larceny, continued until to-morrow.

At a meeting of the Produce Exchange, held this morning, the following resolution was adopted: WHEREAS, It has been made manifest to this Board of Managers, that rule No. 9, in regard to heading is impracticable for the present, as many distillers and manufacturers of barrels have no seasoned timber, except poplar, for heading; therefore Resolved, That the rule be so amended as to allow the use of poplar heads until Sept. 1, 1874, subject, however, to a deduction of 25 cents per barrel, on all barrels with poplar heads.

Resolved 2nd, That the use of poplar heads should be abandoned and no further suspension of the rule will be considered or allowed after Sept. 1, 1874, and from that date, barrels with poplar heads will be rejected.

From the Savannah News. How Squire Skaggs got skinned by the "Pharaoh Men."

"You see," said the Squire, pitching his voice to an exegetical altitude, "I wuz sorter this way. Last Chusday wuz a week ago, I sailed down from Gwinnett to Atlanta with seven bags of cotton. Arter I sold 'em, I kinder loafed round lookin' at things in general an' feelin' jest as happy as you please, when who should I run agin but Kurnel Blagengame. Me an' the Kurnel used to be boys together, an' we wuz as thick as five kittens in a rag basket. We drunk outen the same goad, an' we got lint snatched outen us by the same bandy-legged school-teacher. I wuz gitten as lonesome as a rain-crow, afore I struck up with the Kurnel, an' I wuz glad to see him--durned glad. We knocked round 'n town right smartly, an' the Kurnel interjuced me to a whole raft of fellers--mighty nice boys they wuz, too. Arter supper the Kurnel says: 'Skaggs,' says he, 'less go to my room whar we kin talk over ole times sorter comfortable an' undisturbed like.' 'Greeable, says I, 'an' we walked a squar or so an' turned into a alley an' walked up a narrier par of stars. The Kurnel gin a little rap at a green door, an' a slick lookin' merlatter popped out an' axed us in. He wuz the dumdest peritist nigger you ever seen. He jest got up an' spun aroun' like a tom cat with her tail afire. The room wuz fine as a fiddle an' full of pictures an' sofas, an' the cheers wuz as soft as lam's wool. An' I thought to meself that the Kurnel wuz a lugsurlent cuss. That wuz a lot of mighty nice fellers scattered round a laffin' an' a talkin' quite sozabel like. Aparent, the Kurnel wuz much soz back, for he sorter luffed to himself an' then he says: 'Boys,' says he, 'I hev fetched up a fren'. Judge Hightower, this is Squire Skaggs of Gwinnett, Major Briggs, Squire Skaggs, an' so on all round. Then the Kurnel turns to me an' says: 'Reely, I wuzent expectin' company, Skaggs, but the members of the Young Men's Christun Sossation make my room their headquarters. 'I ups an' says I wuz mighty glad to meet the boys. 'I used to be a Promative Babbit myself afore I got to cussin' the Yaukees, an' I hev always had a sorter hankerin' arter pious folks. They all laded an' shuck han's over agin, an' we sot that smokin' an' a chawin' jest as muchuel as you please. 'I disremember how it come up, but presently Major Briggs gits up an' says: 'Kurnel, what about that new parlor game you got out the other day? 'Oh,' says the Kurnel, lookin' sorter sheepish, 'that wuz a humbug. I can't make no head nor tail outen it. 'I bet I kin manage it,' says Judge Hightower, quite animated like. 'I'll show you how, Judge, with pleasure,' says the Kurnel, an' then he went to a table, unlocked a box an' tuck out a deck of keards an' a whole lot of little whatyoumaycalls, simularly to horn buttons, some white an' some red. 'Squire Skaggs paused and supplied his tireless jaws with a fresh quid of tobacco. 'It ain't no use to tell you any more. When them fellers got done larnin' me that game I didn't have money enough to take me down stars. I lay looked a little wild, for when the Judge closed the box he said: 'We hev had a pleasant evenin' Squire. You'll find the Kurnel watin' for you on the steps, an' he'll give you your money back. 'I ain't never laid eyes on the Kurnel sence, an' when I do thar's goin' to be a case for the Kurner--you mind my words. I seed Rufe Lester next day--you know Rufe; he's in the Legislar-tur now, but I used to give him popcorn when he wuzen't so high--I seed Rufe an' he sed I wuz tuck in by the Pharaoh men. Tuck in ain't no name for it. Larned ef I didn't go to the bottoin an' git skinned alive."

The statistics of Iowa show the singular fact that the greatest number of thieves and murderers have blue eyes.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, March 5. Upon his arrival in this city from England, Dr. Portens presented his credentials and applied in the usual manner for a license to preach. Bishop Potter gave him a license for this diocese and Bishop Littlejohn gave him a similar one for that of Long Island. After lecturing in Dr. Duryea's, Plymouth, Dr. Carroll's and other churches, (Dr. Portens lectured on various topics), he yesterday received letters from the Bishops, revoking his license, the charges being that he preached in non-Episcopal pulpits, and delivered lectures on frivolous subjects.

Considerable anxiety is expressed respecting the safety of the German steamer Graf Bismark, which left Bremen for this port three weeks ago, via Southampton, at which port she took in extra cargo and passengers, and left on the 15th of February for New York and has not since been heard of.

Committees representing the General Synod of the Reformed church in America and General Session of the Presbyterian Church South, have held several meetings, at which the subject of consolidating the churches was thoroughly discussed, and the utmost harmony and good feeling prevailed. Their final action was substantially as follows: The committees unanimously agreed to report to their respective bodies, which will meet in May and June of this year that a plan of co-operation is practicable so far as the leading features of the ecclesiastical work is concerned, and also that relating to home and foreign missions, and the public action interested. No steps, thus far, have been taken towards effecting an organic union of the denominations represented, but the harmony which has thus far prevailed, renders it probable, in the minds of many that this consummation will be realized at no distant day.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, March 5. In the Senate Mr. Boye introduced a bill for the improvement of the mouth of the Mississippi river. Referred to Commerce Committee. The House is voting on the Franking bill, having reconsidered the prior vote rejecting it. It will probably pass. The Judiciary Committee has summoned Mr. Cushing to testify in the Durell case.

MARYLAND.

BAITIMORE, March 5. The Baltimore State Grange is in secret session. Forty-seven Granges were represented. Joseph Kruser, aged thirty-five, senior proprietor of the German Catholic People's Weekly Gazette, published here, is dead.

INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 5. The house of a colored man named Sears, nine miles from this city, was burned yesterday. Two children, aged three and four years, who were locked inside, were burned to death. The parents were absent at the time.

PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA, March 5. A square rigged vessel has been wrecked at Barnegat Shoals. Two boats filled with men passed station fourteen, eight miles north of Barnegat. The bill forbidding Sunday Railroad trains failed in the Jersey Senate.

MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, March 5. The Temperance women have abandoned Dio Lewis plan of attack, and will seek to operate through owners of buildings, by pledging them not to let to liquor dealers.

CABLE DISPATCHES.

FRANCE.

PARIS, March 5. The French Academy has postponed the contemplated reception to Emile Olliver, because he persists in retaining his inaugural address in eulogy of Emperor Louis Napoleon.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, March 5. The passengers and freight of the crippled steamer Wyoming will go by the Minnesota.

"Dried tongue" was the answer which a minister, just going out to "exchange," gave some one who asked him what he had in his carpet-bag--which contained seven sermons.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.--There has been no improvement in the trade during the week under review, as buyers manifested no disposition to purchase more than enough to supply immediate wants, and that was not much, but to the contrary, business has been dull and in fact, the tendency of the market during the early part of the week was downward, during the latter portion of the period under review the tendency was developed into an actual decline. Friday the market opened quiet at 4 1/2 cents, and remained unchanged in price until Monday, when a decline of 1/2 cent was noted, and again on Tuesday a further decline of 1/2 cent was recorded. Wednesday the market was unchanged and to-day a decline of 1 cent was noted the market closing quiet at 4 1/2 cents.

The receipts for the week foot up 1055 bbls. against 1,289 bbls. for last week. CRUDE TURPENTINE--Has not undergone any change in price since our last review. This, we think, is owing to the falling off in receipts, the diminishing stock by export and the local demand for consumption. The market opened and closes at \$2 for hard and \$3 00 for yellow dip.

The receipts for the week foot up 8691 bbls. against 4870 bbls. for last week. TAR.--In this article, as in crude turpentine, the maintenance of prices during the week is owing to exportation and local consumption. The market opened and closed at \$2 30. The receipts for the week foot up 1652 bbls. against 1463 bbls. for the previous week.

ROSIN--As is the case of other naval stores, the prices of this article has declined during the week. The offering have been large and in excess of the demand, which has been restricted to the filling of small orders. The market opened at \$2 00 for C. on Friday and experienced no change in price until Tuesday, though the tone was weakening daily. Tuesday, \$1 90 for C., was all that could be gotten. Wednesday, the market was unchanged. To-day it closes weak at \$1 90 for C.

The receipts for the week foot up 9,543 bbls against 8,053 bbls for last week. COTTON--Our market has ruled quiet throughout the week with but, small inquiry, which was principally restricted to those who could afford to pay prices, while others were trying to operate at a margin lower than quotations. The tendency of the market has, through the week, been downward, and only slight causes are required to develop that tendency into an actual decline. With the receipts still free, stocks large, Liverpool dull, and crop estimates continually becoming larger, no increase of strength can be anticipated.

The New York Cotton Circular, speaking of the decline, says: Perhaps, however, the more immediate cause of the decline may be traced to the fact that on Tuesday 24th ult., (the Exchange being closed Monday) large supplies of cotton being found on the wharves, the arrivals of the previous three days, there was a pressure among receivers to sell, which, in the absence of any special demand was followed by the weakness and irregularity in prices, which resulted in a reduction in the quotations. Wednesday and Thursday were more active. Considerable business for export was reported, and some revival of speculation, but with a dull trade with spinners, and the lower grades in disproportionate supply, ordinary was reduced while the other grades, after a stronger opening, closed barely steady. For future delivery there has been a decided revival of activity. For the reasons stated above, operators showed a total loss of heart, and sold the market down to the lowest prices in several weeks; but there was a recovery towards the close, based mainly on the comparatively small receipts at the ports for that day, and in the course of Wednesday and on Thursday morning, a small advance was established; but during Thursday, while the early months were steady, the later months, beginning with May, showed decided weakness and irregularity.

The receipts for the week at this port foot up 352 bales against 550 bales for the previous week. FRIDAY.--Sales of 16 bales at 9, 4 at 11, 6 at 12, 19 at 13, 55 at 14, 4 at 8, 20 at 10, 12 at 14, and 2 at 11 cents per lb. Low Ordinary, 8 cents 7/8. Ordinary, 10 " " Good Ordinary, 12 1/2 " " Strict Good Ordinary, 13 1/2 " " Low Middling, 14 1/2 " " Strict Low Middling, 14 1/2 " " Middling, 15 " "

SALES OF COTTON. SATURDAY--Steady. No transactions: Low Ordinary, 8 cents 7/8. Ordinary, 10 " " Good Ordinary, 12 1/2 " " Strict Good Ordinary, 13 1/2 " " Low Middling, 14 1/2 " " Strict Low Middling, 14 1/2 " " Middling, 15 " "

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THURSDAY'S MARKET DULL AND NOMINAL. THE following is the stock of Cotton and Naval Stores on hand March 3rd, 1874, as appeared on the bulletin board of the Produce Exchange: Cotton in yard, bales 3,342. " afloat, 187-3,520. Spirits Turp. in yard, cks. 3,602. " afloat, 1,228-1,830. Rosin in yard, bbls. 58,660. " afloat, 1,400-60,060. Crude Turp. in yard, bbls 18,610. " afloat, 000-18,610. Tar, in yard, bbls., 5,290. " afloat, 50-5,346.

Receipts for the week ending March 2-1,232 casks spirits, 12,846 rosin. Exports for the week ending Feb. 28-2,390 casks spirits, 9,854 rosin bbls. GRADES OF ROSIN ADOPTED BY THE PRODUCE EXCHANGE. A. Common Strained, Low No. 1. B. Good Strained, Extra No. 1. C. Good Strained, Low. D. Good Strained, No. 2. E. Good Strained, No. 3. F. Window glass and water white grade. G. Not lettered. Some persons grade one grade higher, beginning with I and running to N.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

THURSDAY, March 5--8:30 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE--Sales of 135 casks at 43 cents 7/8 gallon for Southern Packages. Market quiet. ROSIN--Market weaker at \$1 90 for C. No sales reported. CRUDE TURPENTINE--Sales of 200 bbls at \$2 00 for Hard, and \$3 00 for Yellow Dip. TAR--Sales of 130 bbls at \$2 30 7/8 bbl.

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NEW YORK, March 5. Cotton quiet and firm. Sales of 800 bales. Uplands 16 1/2 cents; Orleans 16 1/2 cents. Futures opened as follows: March 15 5-16@15 1/2; April 15 1/2@15 11-16; May 16 3-32@16 3-16; June 16 1/2@16 1/2 cents. Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat a shade firmer. Corn firm. Pork firm--mess \$15 80. Lard firm--steam 9 3-16@9 1/2 cents. Spirits Turpentine 47 1/2 cents. Rosin unchanged--\$2 42 1/2 for Strained. Freights firm.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, March 5. Stocks active: Money--3 per cent. bid, Gold 111 1/2. Sterling Exchange--long 43 1/2; short, 48 1/2. Government Bonds active. State Bonds quiet.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, March 5. Cotton quiet and unchanged. Uplands 7 1/2@7 3/4; Orleans 8d. Sales of 12,000 bales, including 2,000 for speculation and export. LATER. Sales of cotton to-day 77,000 bales American. Breadstuffs quiet. LONDON, March 5. Consols 92 1/2@92 1/2. Eric 4 1/2. PARIS, March 5. Rentes 59 1/2, 75c.

MARINE.

Port of Wilmington, March 5th. ARRIVED. Steamship Rebecca Clyde, Childs, Baltimore, A. D. Cazaux. Nor Brig Flosta, Andriassen, (55 days) Antwerp, R. E. Heide. CLEARED. Steamship Tonawanda, Wiltbanks, Philadelphia, Worth & Worth. EXPORTS. COASTWISE. Philadelphia--Steamship Tonawanda--500 bales cotton, 191 bbls tar, 540 bushels peanuts, 100 bbls crude turpentine, 197 do rosin, 15 bales yarn, 21 do

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List of Vessels in this Port.

STEAMSHIPS. Metropolis, Nicholson, Barry Bros. D. J. Foley, Price, A. D. Cazaux. Rebecca Clyde, Childs, A. D. Cazaux.

BRIGS. Suppiche, Plagery, Sprunt & Hinson. Hertha, Ollhaber, E. Paschau & Westermann. Altavella, Freethy, dis, R. E. Heide. Flosta, Andriassen, E. Kidder & Sons.

BARQUENTINES. La Belle, Skare, R. E. Heide. Reidulf, Knudsen, R. E. Heide.

BARQUES. Express, Pretsurrt, E. Paschau. Albatross, Stowhass, E. Paschau & Westermann. Olaf Nicklesten, Voight, Sprunt & Hinson.

Nor Aveng, Henrichsen, R. E. Heide. Ger Louisa Dorothea, Kreif, Vick & Mebane. Norwegian Ara, Asachsen, dis, R. E. Heide.

Claudia (Ger), Dince, returned for repair. German Prince Adelbert, Riemer, dis, E. Paschau & Westermann.

SCHOONERS. Meteor, Williams, Atkinson & Manning. Riverdale, Cory, Binford, Crow & Co. Lucy Wright, Elzey, Williams & Murchison.

E. C. Babcock, Tomlin, B. F. Mitchell & Son. Luola Murchison, Jones, Williams & Murchison. A. J. Collins, Binford, Crow & Co.

B. M. Tilton, Tilton, B. F. Mitchell & Son. E. Francis, Payne, B. F. Mitchell & Son. Carrie Alice, Hall, Covington Everett & Co.

Jennie M. Vandervoust, Roberts, DeRosset & Co. J. W. Hinton, Simmons, B. F. Mitchell & Son.

Edward E. Rackett, Assmus, dis, Master. Mary E. Van Cleaf, Thorndike, dis, Worth & Worth.

Tatumah, Harding, dis, G. G. Barker & Co. Donna Anna, Whaley, Worth & Worth. J. C. Craft, Kennedy, rpg, G. G. Barker & Co.

List of Vessels Sailed for this Port.

HOLLYHEAD. Comer, Clans, sld Jan 28th. BRISTOL, ENG. Arcadia, Eldrup, sld Nov 7.

BERMUDA. Br Brig Caronella, sld Dec 11. NEW BEDFORD. Gov Barton, Phinney, sld Sept 30.

SWINNEUNDE. Clio, Schupp, sld Sept 17. MARTINIQUE. A. Richards, sld June 25.

GESTEEMUNDE. Bosse, sld Aug 22. CARDIFF. M. Gunderson, sld Oct 7.

DEAL. Retriever, sld Oct 26. MILFORD. Rose, sld Nov 7.

ANTWERP. Ger Elise & Anna, Wendt, sld Aug 22. LONDON. Vick & Mebane, Hull, sld Oct 20. G. N. Gredlohen, Dethless, sld Aug 6. Douglass, Wilson, sld June 2.

LIVERPOOL. Speed, Natvig, sld Dec 8. Wilhelm Aischer, Burmeister, sld Dec 8. Emanuel, Tobianson, sld Nov 29. Vitruvius, Drummond, sld May 22. Invincible, James, sld Sept 20.

GLOUCESTER. Forsete (Nor), Christidsen, sld Sept 4. Michael, Bentall, sld Sept 10. Br Troubadour, Seale, sld Sept 25. BELFAST, I. August Schaner, sld Oct 20.

STATE ITEMS.

The Supreme Court will hold about two weeks longer. Magnolia wants a bank and a Railroad warehouse.

A Mecklenburg youth of 75 was married last week to a bride of 35 or 40. The President has nominated Robert F. Macdonald for Postmaster at Charlotte.

A freight car loaded with wagons, all the way from Cincinnati, came to Raleigh Tuesday. The vacant Solicitorship of the Ninth District has been tendered to J. S. Carson, Esq., of Rutherford.

A Northern girl passed through Weldon last week with two young alligators from the savannahs of Florida. The Rutherford Star suggests the name of Rev. John C. Carson, as candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

A scamp named Beardon, who has been swindling the people of Clarksville, Va., has been arrested and carried to Raleigh, to await a requisition from Gov. Kemper. One hundred thousand negroes, and three times as many whites, have betaken themselves Texasward from the Eastern Gulf States since 1870. With such a wealth of new population constantly pouring in upon her fertile prairie, what a future, must be in store for the Lone Star State!

The New Orleans Times is trying to gull the world into the belief that the gardens of that city are "oppressed with perfume."