

# THE DAILY REVIEW.

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Mrs. Burnett, the novelist, has undertaken to write a play.

It is said that there are 219,260 houses in France without a window in one of them.

Henry Kimber, a solicitor, of London, has lent £25,000 to the English colony at Rugby, Tenn.

There are evidently some people in this world who think that Grant must yet be made President a third time.

The Duke of Edinburgh will be present at the coronation of the Czar of Russia. The Prince of Wales will not attend.

Japan has 113 newspapers, besides 133 miscellaneous publications, and her newspaper circulation is said to amount to 33,449,529.

The amount of deposits and cash balances in the joint-stock banks of Ireland in June, 1882, was £20,667,000, an increase of more than two millions over the previous year.

Henry G. Marquand, of New York, has given Little Rock, Ark., \$5,000 to start a free library. Has not Wilmington a friend somewhere?

Governor Stoneman, of California, issued his first pardon to a man who was sent to prison for stealing to keep his sick children from starving.

From a Parliamentary return it appears that during the year ended Sept. 30, 1882, there were 16,609 persons licensed as brewers in Great Britain, and the amount of license and beer duty paid was \$43,658,405. One firm brewed no fewer than 1,200,000 barrels, and paid \$1,874,484 duty.

The gigantic German encyclopedia, going by the name of "Ersch und Gruber," published by Brockhaus, in Leipzig, already consists of ninety-nine volumes. A volume just published finishes the first section, ending with the letter G. The second section, ending with N, approaches completion, and the concluding section is well in hand.

The New York Star announces that a delegation of the historic "306," who won their bronze medals by voting persistently for Grant at the Chicago Republican Convention, called upon Commissioner Kaum recently to discuss the timeliness and propriety of organizing a permanent association, to be the nucleus of a rehabilitated stalwart party.

The cooking school is now an assured success in Boston. Of course, it is artistic, as witness the latest recipe for baked beans: "Let your beans simmer in warm water a long time, with molasses and mustard; then put in the pork and bake a long time. A small green onion adds a delicious (?) flavor." Could anything be more too tooly truly rooral?

California has had a railroad commission for some time, and now the Legislature is investigating its operations, and, according to a dispatch from San Francisco, has found out that the majority of the commissioners "used their positions to make money by connivance with a railroad company in whose interest they united in opposition to the public welfare."

The British Government has controlled the telegraph wires for over ten years. The increase in the number of messages sent is remarkable. In 1870-71 the total number of dispatches was only 9,850,177; in 1881-82 it had risen to 31,346,861. After deducting about 4,000,000 press and government messages, it appears that the average number of private dispatches last year was about three for every four persons in the United Kingdom.

From the foundation of the government until 1861 the United States paid in pensions the sum of \$89,866,359 65. Since that time up to the 1st of January of this year, the enormous sum of \$482,741,170 67 has been paid out for pensions. The largest sum heretofore paid out in any one year was in 1880—namely, \$57,940,540 14, but last year the appropriations for pensions were \$48,332,306, and for the year 1883 ending June 30 the appropriation was \$100,000,000. The same enormous sum has been appropriated at this session of Congress for next year. The pensions are now double the interest on the national debt.

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"Mrs. Partington, what do you use for a very bad cold?" asked Mrs. Dull. "Handkerchiefs, ma'am," answered the aged dame, looking over her spectacles. Handkerchiefs are a desideratum in the event of a cold, but a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is a necessity, because it not only relieves, but cures the worst cold or cough.

The city prison is now without an occupant.

The receipts of cotton at this port to-day foot up 237 bales.

The New Southern Humpty Dumpty Troupe are to take the road soon.

For Pocket Knives or Table Cutlery, go to JACOBI'S Hardware Depot.

Don't forget the Festival to be given by the Ladies of the Parsonage Aid Society, at Temperance Hall, this evening.

We understand that Rev. Dr. Patterson has accepted the call to Grace Church, Galveston, and will remove to that city after Easter.

Schr. Equator arrived here to-day from Nassau with a cargo of fine West India fruit which will be sold at auction to-morrow morning by Mr. S. W. Davis.

Look out for Wiggins' storm which is predicted to commence on the 10th inst. It is predicted and snowed this morning for a short time and some were fearful that it was an advance guard of a big storm that may be coming.

Hon. Nelson W. Aldrich, U. S. Senator from Rhode Island, is in the city and registered at the Purcell House.

Col. H. B. Short, of Columbus, is in the city to-day.

Mr. John R. Paddison, mayor of Point Caswell, is here to-day on one of his frequent visits.

Messrs. A. C. Huggins, clerk of the Superior Court, and E. Murrell, sheriff of Onslow county, are here.

Messrs. E. W. Kerr and son, of Clinton, Sampson county, are in the city and registered at the Purcell House.

A fine assortment of Guns and Pistols at JACOBI'S Hardware Depot.

Mr. Thos. W. Strange has returned from Raleigh where he has been in attendance on the Supreme Court. He tells us that the bill as to the city, in regard to registration by blocks and lots, is now a law, with the amendment proposed by Representative Green (spoken of by us yesterday) which was accepted. This law does not apply, however, to this election, registration having already begun, but will be operative hereafter.

The following is the list of Magistrates recently appointed by the Legislature for New Hanover county:

WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP. John M. Henderson, Wm H. Strauss, John R. Melton, John Cowan, Wm W. Harris, Sol Bear, E. D. Hall, John S. James, John L. Cantwell, James W. King, Lemuel H. Bowden, Walker Meares, Matthew J. Heyer, David G. Worth, Charles H. Robinson, Abram David, Owen Fennell, Jr., James Madden, John C. Millis, Charles A. Price, J. D. H. Klander.

MASONBORO TOWNSHIP. B. S. Montford, A. J. Johnson, A. B. George.

FEDERAL POINT TOWNSHIP. Jacob H. Horne, John Canady, Elijah Williams.

CAPE FEAR TOWNSHIP. Oscar M. Filyaw, Wm. Cromwell, John E. St. George.

HANNETT TOWNSHIP. Charles H. Alexander, E. W. Manning, George Harper.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

### Reports of President VanBokkelen and the Committee on Harbor and River Improvements.

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce not having been held in October, was ordered to be held yesterday at 12 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the President, who read his annual report, as follows:

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. WILMINGTON, N. C., 7th March, 1883.

The annual meeting of this Chamber has been delayed beyond the regular time by causes which were in a measure unavoidable.

The duties which remained to the Chamber of Commerce upon the formation of the Produce Exchange in 1873, were "all questions arising bearing upon transportation, harbor and improvements and other public interests of our City or State," including the general commerce of the country and its advancement, which duties since last annual meeting have been confined to the improvement being made by the United States Government on the Cape Fear river from Wilmington to the ocean and such other matters as were calculated to be of benefit to the commerce of our own port as well as the general commercial interests of the United States.

The work now being carried out by the United States Government will be delayed in its completion because of the failure of Congress at its session just closed to pass a River and Harbor bill. The present contracts, for which funds remain in hand, will soon be completed, giving a depth of sixteen feet at low water, twenty feet at high water from good anchorage, well protected at a point twelve miles below the city to Smithville, which will reduce expense of and detention by lighterage greatly. Vessels can now load to fifteen feet at wharves in city. Bald Head Channel, out to ocean, shows on its bar a depth of fourteen feet at low water with eighteen to twenty feet at high water.

A report kindly furnished by Mr. Henry Bacon, the efficient U. S. Assistant Engineer in charge of the improvements, under Lieut. Colonel Wm. P. Craighill, of U. S. Engineer Corps, will be presented by Col. Wm. L. DeRoset, Chairman of the River and Harbor Committee of this chamber, showing fully the present condition of the work.

The foreign and domestic commerce of this port shows a steady and healthy increase in amount of tonnage employed and value of exports and imports. Railroad connections now existing, and others contemplated, which will be completed when the depth of sixteen feet low water is obtained to the city, will bring in addition to what will come by rivers to this port three to ten fold the present receipts. Larger coastwise steamers with additional lines are contemplated. Steamers to Europe will be employed for the next cotton crop, this port showing advantages as a ship port over most others.

Our people who have desponded ever seeing Wilmington a great commercial centre, now have good reason to hope and soon will have facts to assure them of a great future for our city by the sea.

Respectfully submitted, A. H. VANBOKKELEN, President.

The report of committee on River and Harbor Improvements was read by Col. W. L. DeRoset, Chairman of that committee, together with the accompanying letter of Mr. Henry Bacon, engineer in charge, as follows:

A. H. VanBokkelen, Esq., President Chamber of Commerce:

SIR—Your committee have lately visited the Government works at New Inlet and Snow's Marsh, and having been favored with the accompanying report of Mr. Henry Bacon, U. S. Engineer in charge, which covers all the ground, and being prepared to fully endorse the statements of Mr. Bacon, beg leave to present the same in connection with this as their annual report.

Respectfully submitted, Wm L. DeRoset, Ch'rm'n. GEO. HARRISS, Com. on Bar and River Improvement.

A. H. VanBokkelen, Esq., President of the Chamber of Commerce, Wilmington, N. C.

SIR—At your request, I take pleasure in making a concise statement of the condition of the improvements of the Cape Fear river.

At the end of the fiscal year in 1878 the shortest soundings (or available depths) on the Baldhead Channel were 9 feet at mean low water, 11 feet in 1879, 13 feet in 1880, and 14 feet in 1881 and 1882.

The suction dredge Woodbury was in operation on the Baldhead Channel from April, 1879, to October 1881. During the time 169,491 cubic yards of sand were dredged by it, and dumped in deep water, and a much larger amount was moved by the natural forces of the tidal currents from the channel and large area in the vicinity.

The work of closing the New Inlet by the dam was begun in October 1875, but the practical stoppage of the water was not perceptible until the years of 1878-79. The dam was thoroughly completed in June 1881.

There can be no doubt of the beneficial effect of the operations of the suction dredge in concentrating the tidal currents, especially at the outer end of the bar; and it is probable that the available depth of the channel would have been further increased if the work had been continued. As it is, the re-

suits are more gratifying, as proving the power of the natural forces in the preservation of the Baldhead Channel.

It is obvious that the value of all improvements depends on the preservation of the entrance channel.

Much has been said about the "swashes" across the narrow beach of Smith's Island. During past years, and before the present improvements were initiated, breaches were made by the sea across this beach, and were closed by natural causes. Those of 1857 were especially remarkable. The great storm of April 13th, 1877, caused the present breaches or swashes. They were subsequently partially closed by natural causes, but the completion of the New Inlet dam created a greater difference in the relative times of the tides in the bay and sea, and thus increased the velocity of the tidal currents, out and in the swashes, which has prevented the natural closures.

The nearest swash is about two miles from the main river channel, and there are wide intervening shoals, and there is, therefore, no immediate danger from the swashes; and they have no perceptible effect on the main currents of the river. But, inasmuch as the sea is gradually encroaching on the beach and shoals, and producing an indentation at the swashes, it is only a question of time when a defence must be made.

The matter is now under consideration by a board of engineers. It is probable that they will decide that it is best to begin the work soon on an inner line, from Zeke's Island to the big marsh across the shoal waters; and nearly on the neutral line of the tidal currents, thus completely separating the river from the bay and swashes, in which case there can be but little doubt of a natural closure of the swashes and the re-formation of the beach.

A large portion of the available appropriation—from \$110,000 to \$130,000—is now in treasury and can be used for this purpose, it so decided.

The work of dredging now in progress is under two contracts. Those of G. H. Ferris, of May 1881, for about 750,000 cubic yards, and the National Dredging Company, of October 1882, for 450,000 cubic yards. Both contracts terminate June 30, 1883. They will complete the channel along Snow's Marsh, and to the deep water above, to 270 feet in width and 16 feet deep at mean low water; and also the channel across the next shoal above to the same depth and probably to the same width, thus securing 16 feet depth at low water to a point about twelve miles below Wilmington, where there is good anchorage in 16 feet depth at low water. The prospect of finishing the contracts at the appointed time is, perhaps, a little doubtful, but it is certain the channel by Snow's Marsh and above to deep water will be finished so far that it can be used within the next two months. This will completely avoid the Horseshoe Channel and practically save at least one day in going deep draft vessels from Wilmington to the sea. At the present time the new channel is finished to 240 feet width along Snow's Marsh, and to 235 feet for the first half mile above. Then it is 130 feet wide for the next quarter of a mile, and on the remaining or upper portion it is 75 feet in width—and the cut making it 160 is in progress.

The reach of the new channel above Snow's Marsh is approximately in line with the ebb and flood tidal currents, and there is every reason to expect its permanence in depth and width. The New Inlet dam remains as finished in 1881. There has been no settlement or other signs of deterioration; on the contrary it is constantly becoming more and more solidified by oysters and barnacles. The passage of water through the small stones is becoming less and less. The sand beach is forming a dike over the site of the Carolina Shoals, and is above high water for nearly half the distance from shore near Fort Fisher to the head of Smith's Island, and the shoals are bare at low tide over most of the remaining distance. There is a prospect at no distant time that the New Inlet basin will be converted into a *bar*, with perhaps one or two small inlets across the newly formed outer beach.

It is unfortunate that Congress has failed to make any appropriations for the coming fiscal year. It is hoped that one will be made early after the meeting of Congress in December next, in which case the delay will be less serious.

My estimate of the amount required for the two years ending June 30, 1884, was \$674,368, of which \$225,000 was appropriated in 1882 leaving a balance needed—say of \$450,000—to complete the dredging for 16 feet depth at low water to Wilmington and the thorough defence against the swashes.

Very respectfully, &c., HENRY BACON, U. S. Assistant Engineer.

## Dropped Dead.

Alex. Price, colored, while passing through the alley just west of Messrs. Worth & Worth's counting house, on his way to work, this morning suddenly fell on the steps leading into the building and was dead almost instantaneously. He was between 60 and 70 years of age, was a carpenter by trade, and was a sober, industrious old man. His body was taken to his late residence on Seventh, between Red Cross and Campbell streets. He leaves a wife and several children. It is supposed that heart disease was the cause of his death, although he has always been in seemingly good health.

The celebrated 'Fish Brand' Gills Twine is sold only at JACOBI'S Hardware Depot.

## Peaches.

We understand that the prospects for fine crops of peaches at Capt. Paddison's orchards, on Black River, were very fine yesterday. What they are to-day it is hard to determine, but it may be that warmer weather will come to-night and save the fruit. Thus far, at this writing, the damage cannot be very severe.

## Rev. Dr. Deems.

The lecture to be given at the Opera House, by the Rev. Dr. Deems, on Tuesday night, the 13th inst., will undoubtedly be attended by a large audience. Dr. Deems is one of the most popular speakers in the country, a polished orator, a profound and original thinker, and eminently fitted for his task, by his wide acquaintance with the world and its people. In the South he is especially beloved and honored, and in our own city no man is held in more profound esteem. His lecture will be upon "Trifles," and will be delivered under the auspices of the Wilmington Library Association, who are doing a great and good work in advancing literary tastes and habits among our people.

To Builders and others—Go to JACOBI'S for Sash, Blinds and Doors, Glass &c. You can get all sizes and at the lowest prices.

## Kitchen Market.

The following retail prices rule in this market to-day, March 8:

Beef 10¢@15¢ per pound; veal 12¢@15¢; lamb 12¢@15¢; mutton 12¢@15¢; Green pork, whole hog, 9¢@10¢ per pound; cuts, 12¢@15¢; corned pork 15¢; turkeys, alive, \$1@1.25 each; dressed, 16¢@18¢ per pound; chickens 30¢@37¢ each; grown fowls, 35¢@40¢; geese alive 75¢ each; dressed \$1; sausages 15¢@20¢ cts.; puddings 10¢@15¢; eggs, 15¢@16¢ cts per dozen; butter, country, 25¢@30¢; Northern, 40¢; lard, 13¢@15¢; Baltimore, 16¢@18¢; breakfast strips, 15¢@16¢; N. C. hams, 11¢@17¢; shoulders, 11¢@12¢; sides, 13¢@14¢; fish, (front, 20¢@25¢; mullets, 15¢@20¢; shad, 75¢@1.00 per pair; scalded oysters, 12¢ per quart; New River oysters 80¢@1.00 per gallon; New River oysters, in shell, \$2 per bushel; Myrtle Grove oysters, in shell, 80¢@1.00 per bushel; clams, per quart, 12¢; per bushel, 50¢; cabbage, 15¢@25¢ per head; collards, 5¢@10¢; turnips, 5¢@10¢ per bunch; sweet potatoes, 25¢ per peck; Irish do, 50¢ per peck; onions, 50¢ per peck; carrots and parsnip, 50¢ per peck.

## Iolanthe.

We think that it is the unanimous verdict of our theatre going public that the performance given at the Opera House last night by Ford's Opera Company exceeded any of the previous efforts of that excellent troupe. There was a crowded house, and the audience was a critical, discriminating and conscientious gathering, ready and quick to appreciate meritorious efforts. The Opera (Iolanthe) is one of the latest productions of Messrs. Gilbert and Sullivan, and is fully equal to any of its predecessors by the same authors. Miss Chapman, as Phyllis, Miss Bockel, as Iolanthe, and Miss Reynolds, as the Fairy Queen, were superb and fairly captivated the audience, both by their magnificent voices and their exquisite acting. Miss Eissing, although cast in the less conspicuous part of *Irilla*, did remarkably well and made the most of the character. Of the male members of the troupe, Mr. Dunham, an established favorite in Wilmington, as the Lord Chancellor, was inimitable; Mr. Dungan, as *Siraphon*, and Mr. Long, as *Lord Tolliver*, were excellent, and the others did well. The rich bass voice of Mr. Raymond, as *Private Willis*, was grand. The solos and duos were well rendered, and the quartettes and choruses were rich and grand in their harmonies. The voices were all rich and resonant, and the audience were truly delighted, as was manifested by the frequent bursts of applause with which it greeted the performers.

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PLEASE NOTE. We will be glad to receive communications from our friends on any and all subjects of general interest but The name of the writer must always be furnished to the Editor. Communications must be written on only one side of the paper. Personalities must be avoided. And it is especially and particularly understood that the Editor does not always endorse the views of correspondents unless so stated in the editorial columns.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**Fruit at Auction.** SETH W. DAVIS, Auctioneer. TO-MORROW MORNING, commencing at 9 o'clock, on board Schr. EQUATOR, at 34 & Fearless wharf, a cargo of fine ORANGES, BANANAS, COCONUTS, GRAPE FRUIT, &c. Just received from Nassau, N. F. mch 8 1/2

**Oysters and Ice Cream.** THE LADIES OF THE FRONT STREET PARSONAGE AID SOCIETY will have an OYSTER AND ICE CREAM FESTIVAL, THIS NIGHT, 8th inst., at Temperance Hall, opposite City Hall. mch 8 1/2

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**LECTURE.** The Rev. Dr. CHAS. F. DEEMS Will deliver a LECTURE, for the benefit of the LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, on Tuesday Night, March 13th, at the OPERA HOUSE. Subject, "TRIFLES." Commencing at 8 o'clock. Tickets 50 cents. Reserved Seats for sale at Dyer's. mch 8 1/2

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