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Weather Report.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Office of Chief Signal Officer,
Washington, March 30—4:30 P. M.

Probable.

It is probable that the clouds and rain will, on Friday, be more or less broken up from the Middle States to the Mississippi valley. Fresh northerly winds are probable for the lakes and Gulf, with light winds on the Atlantic.

THE CITY

• NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WILMINGTON'S LIVE Book Store, 19 Market Street—Pianos and other Musical Instruments

—The True Story

PHILLIP NEWMAN—Notice in Bankruptcy

J. W. SCHENCE—Notice to Commiss-

ion Merchants, Liquor Dealers, &c.

MUNSON & CO., City Clothiers—A splendid

stock of Shiras.

S. L. FREMONT—Proposals for carrying the mail.

OLDHAM & CUMMING—Pies, Dried Apples,

and Peaches.

A. D. BROWN—A large and handsome stock of millinery.

W. R. FRENCH—French's flour makes nice white bread.

D. A. SMITH—Furniture, Bedding and Win-

dow Shades.

—Ice cream at the rink to-night.

Proposals.

Col. Fremont, Engineer and Superintendent, advertises in this issue that proposals for carrying the mail for one year between the Post office and the depot of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad will be received at his office until 12 o'clock on Wednesday, the 5th day of April.

Meeting of Subscribers.

A meeting of the subscribers to the proposed Wilmington and Smithville steamer will be held at the office of Messrs. James & Meares, South Water street, this evening, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of effecting an organization. A full and prompt attendance is requested.

The Way to Treat Children.

Children should never be forced to eat to cram children with food when their appetite does not crave it, is simply murder. Give children an abundance of outdoor exercise, fun and frolic; make them regular in their habits, and feed them only upon plain, nourishing food, and they will never need complain of their lack of appetite.

A Good Move.

We learn that it is the intention of our Smithville friends to endeavor to effect a purchase of the old truck of the Wilmington Hook and Ladder Company when they shall have procured their new outfit. This is a good idea; but they should also endeavor to raise money enough to purchase one good hand engine. No town of any size should be without this essential protection from the ravages of fire.

—Gentlemen, carry ladies to the rink to night.

NOTICE.

AGENCY NEW YORK ASSOCIATED PRESS, Wilmington, N. C., March 22, 1871.

Masters and Agents of Vessels who come in favor on the undersigned by reporting to him promptly all marine disasters occurring at any point on the North Carolina coast, in order that the intelligence may be transmitted by telegraph at the earliest possible moment.

WM. H. BERNARD,

Agent New York Associated Press

Appointment.

The Wadesboro Argus says: We are especially pleased to announce to our people that Hon. A. M. Waddell has awarded to Anson the distinguished honor of appointing to a cadetship at Annapolis, Md. James T. Smith, of this town. We, with others, recommended Mr. Smith from a knowledge that there was "something in the boy," which a thorough cultivation would develop. We rejoice in his appointment, and hope, in his whole future career, he will attempt to reflect honor and credit on his native county.

—Voting at the rink to-night for the month of April.

Murder of a Methodist Minister.

A friend in this city sends us the following item:

Rev. R. F. Davies, a Methodist Minister of the Little Rock Conference, was murdered by a man named Boyd, near Louisville, Ky., a short time since. The Western Methodist says some little dispute had arisen between them in the morning, and Boyd, having settled, as supposed by Davies, who went to Boyd's house to dinner. Starting home after dinner, Boyd accompanied him a short distance, the two conversing in a friendly manner as they had ever done, when suddenly Boyd dropped behind, drew a pistol and commenced firing. The shot was fatal, Davies expiring the next morning at 2 o'clock.

A Useless and Dangerous Plant.

A gentleman informs us that the mistletoe is to be found growing on the most and largest shade trees of the city. It is said by those who ought to know that this plant will finally result in killing any tree to which it may be attached. This seems to be evident from the fact that in most every case where the mistletoe is found on a tree, and has had time to undergo the process of absorption which is attributed to it, that it gradually becomes stripped of its foliage. To prevent the destruction of our beautiful shade trees, would it not be well to remove this botanical scourge wherever it may be found and thus "preserve the shadow" and the "substance" also. The scorpion preys mostly upon the oak trees.

Special Notices.

We would respectfully call the attention of our patrons to the fact that we are required to settle promptly for our papers every Saturday, and to enable us to do this requires like promptness on the part of our subscribers.

We find, therefore, that the city subscribers to the Star will have the money ready for the collector, as soon as possible, having had many to call on. It is a serious inconvenience and loss for us to have to send more than once for so small an amount.

W. L. BURCH, No. D. BURCH, Agent

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WILMINGTON, N. C. FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1871.

Whole No. 1,008

Local News.

The Davenports are drawing hugely in Savannah.

It is better to suffer than to lose the power of suffering.

The Lydia Thompson troops of blonde burlesques are highly commended by the Charlotte press.

There was only one trifling case before the City Court yesterday morning, which was appropriately disposed of.

We learn that Rev. Mr. Munford, of this city, who was ordained on Saturday last, at St. James' church, has received and accepted a call to go to Memphis, Tenn., and that he will depart within a day or two for his destination.

Apropos of the grand "Peace Festival" here, we see it stated that eighty different heraldic and civic organizations have signified their intention of taking part in the great German peace celebration in New York on Easter Monday.

Miss Lucy A. Brown, who was so badly burned a short time since, died after suffering on the 27th inst., in Bladen County, N. C. She was an estimable lady and formerly a resident of this city, where she has many relatives and friends. For the past twenty-five or more years she has been a worthy, useful, zealous and benevolent member of the Methodist E. Church, South.

Meeting of Germans—The Peace Festival.

In pursuance to a call, the German citizens of Wilmington met at Rengo's Hall on Wednesday night. On motion, H. B. Ellers, Esq., was called to the Chair.

On motion the following gentlemen were elected Vice Presidents: J. W. Straus, H. Von Gien, H. Marcus, R. Ehrhorn, L. Voeller, H. G. Hasbagan, G. C. Bleile, Marcus Bear, J. M. Dingelhoff.

On motion the following gentlemen were requested to act as Secretaries: A. Wronski, J. Boudonot and J. G. Koch.

The Chairman addressed the meeting in a few appropriate remarks, explaining its purpose and aims, and was followed by Rev. Mr. Bereshkin, who pictured in the most elaborate manner the horrors of war and the blessings of peace.

After further remarks from Mr. A. Wall, Mr. Earbeck and other gentlemen, a motion was made that a committee of twenty be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the coming celebration. Also a committee of three from each Ward to solicit subscriptions to aid in defraying the expenses of the same.

On motion, a committee was appointed to invite the Minister of the Gospel, and also the Mayor and Marshal of the city, to attend the peace jubilee.

On motion, the Executive Committee was given power to appoint all the necessary sub-committees.

The meeting then adjourned.

Fire at Smithville.

The usual quietude of Smithville, the little "city by the sea," was interrupted about 5 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, by the alarm of fire. This is a startling sound in the largest of places and under the most favored circumstances, but its effect is greatly intensified when it is heard in a town like Smithville, where the devouring element seldom obtains the mastery, and where the eye which is harrowing to the nerves of timid people is rarely heard. Upon the alarm being given the town was soon in commotion, and it was found that the flames proceeded from the residence of Mr. J. G. McKeithan. The wind was blowing heavily from the east northeast at the time, which caused the fire to spread so rapidly, notwithstanding the most strenuous exertions, in the absence of fire engines, building was entirely destroyed. Fortunately the furniture was "nearly all safely removed. The loss is estimated at \$500 to \$1,000, with no insurance.

The fire is thought to have originated from a spark from the chimney or fireplace, in the second story.

We have been requested to return the thanks of Mrs. Platt and the Misses Drew, who reside in the vicinity of the disaster, to Capt. Usher of the Revenue Cutter Service, and to Col. Meadenhall, their officers and men, and also to the citizens generally for their noble and praiseworthy efforts to stay the ravages of the flames, through which they attribute the safety of their own property.

Unsmashable Letters.

The following is the list of unsmashable letters remaining in the city postoffice.

Mr. Susan Burnett, Goldboro, N. C.; Mr. George Gordon, Brantley's Station, N. C.; Mr. Marcus Woodward & Son, Richmond, Va.

Our Only Friend is a Gentleman of Fortune.

Mr. Abraham Lincoln has returned to London from the Continent.

Theates and created stationery in to write among the fastidious of New York.

Madison Lake, a well known Lonaville dressmaker, has fallen victim to \$20,000.

A Southern beauty, Mrs. Frances Macklin, is the latest accession to the theatre platform.

The women suffragists, undaunted, propose to pick up the threads of their argument, and wove a net for the new Congress.

One hundred women in the United States are now studying law. The youthful students will soon begin to walk in chorus with the physicians.

A Southern Martin, whose life history occurred last week, asked of his parents if the schools would reopen that day, adding, "they didn't on Washington's birthday."

A Springfield, Ill., bride sold her lover to another girl for a black silk dress, and so managed matters that the couple were married within a month after the bargain was made.

They have discovered out West that it is not good policy for employ young girls as school teachers, for the reason that love affairs and elopements are pretty likely to occur between the teacher and the head boy in the first class.

RIVER AND MARINE NEWS.

THURSDAY, March 30.

The Schr. Charles, commanded by Capt. Sabiston, went down yesterday to the assistance of the Schr. Samuel, which was capsized just inside the bar on Tuesday night last and subsequently sunk. After considerable difficulty he succeeded in righting her and bringing her to the surface, when she was flushed to the side of her vessel, the water pumped out and nearly all her cargo removed. When Capt. Harper, of the Steamer Oldham, from whom we obtain these particulars, came past the vessel this afternoon, the Samuel had been dropped astern of her consort, the Charles, it being found that she could be kept free by the application of the pump. She will probably be towed up to the city to-morrow morning. All the cargo, excepting spirits of turpentine, which was washed off the deck, will be saved, though of course the peanuts will be in a damaged condition.

The new Steamer Cumberland made good time to-day. She left Fayetteville at 7 o'clock and reached her wharf in Wilmington at half past 5 o'clock, stopping one hour and 45 minutes on the way. Actual running time 8 hours and 55 minutes.

Capt. Harper reports that there are a number of vessels in below awaiting a favorable tide to go to sea. The weather and tides have been against them for the past day or two.

It was reported on the wharf this afternoon that the Schr. Sue Canning had been lashed.

We learn that the Concert and Sabbath School Festival at the Christian Chapel on Wednesday evening netted \$60.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY.

We make up the following summary of the proceedings of the Legislature, from the report in the *Sentinel*.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, March 29.

SPECIAL ORDER.

being a bill for the Penitentiary, was taken up.

(Passed the House a few days ago.) Bill passed its second reading.

Put upon its third reading.

Mr. Speed offered an amendment that no contractor for work mentioned or other service shall be given or awarded to any member of the board of commissioners.

Under call of previous question, the amendment of Mr. Speed was adopted.

The bill then passed its third reading.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Bill providing for appeal from the Superior to the Supreme Court in certain cases. The judiciary committee having reported adversely to the bill.

Bill failed to pass its second reading.

By Mr. Cowles, a resolution authorizing certain parties at Mt. Airy, N. C., to open books of subscription for the purpose of building a narrow gauge railroad from that point to some point on the central road. Rules were suspended, and the bill passed its first reading.

Bill to provide a system of public instruction in the State. (Provides that the Superintendent shall apportion the school fund, to the respective counties, according to the number of children in several member counties.)

On motion of Mr. Johnston, of Buncombe, the bill to call a convention of the people was made special order for to-morrow at 12:30.

Memorial from members of the bar of Wilmington read once and referred.

Bill in relation to cattle and other live stock (allowing owners of stock to go to other parties' hands to look for stock which may be lost). Allows parties to get certificates from Judge of Probate to enter upon said lands.) Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Beasley, the bill to incorporate the Naval Extension Railroad Company, to run from Weldon through Northampton, Bertie, &c., was taken up and passed its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Skinner, the bill to incorporate the N. C. Stock Raising and Fishing Company was taken up and passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the bill to establish a commission to examine into the charges against John Pool, member of the U. S. Senate from this State, was taken up and passed its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Ashe, was transmitted to the Senate.

By Mr. Madsen: A bill to amend the act regarding standard weights, referred.

On motion of Mr. Dunham, the resolution naming a committee to examine into the charges against John Pool, member of the U. S. Senate from this State, was taken up and passed its second reading.

The year and days were called, and the bill was voted to pass its third reading by a vote of 50 to 45.

On motion of Mr. Settle, the bill to allow the Commissioners of Roanoke Island to have a bridge over the river was taken up and passed its second reading by a vote of 70 to 30.

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