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METEOROLOGICAL RECORD.
Aug. 2, 1871.

Time.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Wind.	Weather.
7 A. M.	30.10	77	Calm	Cloudy
9 P. M.	30.10	88	S. gentle	Fair
9 P. M.	30.13	80	S. Light	Cloudy

Mean Temp. of day, 81 deg.
NOTE.—All barometric readings are reduced to the sea-level and to 32 degrees Fahrenheit.
ROBERT SERTZOFF,
Serg't Signal Service U. S. A.

Local Notes.
Vote early and vote for Convention.
The polls will open at sunrise this morning.
Up with the Convention and down with high taxes.
The homestead can be sold by the Sheriff to pay taxes.
All who have not registered can do so at the polls to-day.
Vote as you go to your work this morning. The polls open at sunrise.
Every man has some influence and should exert it to-day for a Convention.
Be certain that you put your ticket for a Convention in the right box.
The Radical party in this city must be a sweet pickle when they cultivate Gherkins!
We were glad to see Mr. John Brown, formerly in charge of the telegraph office here, on our streets last evening.
A meeting of the German Association of Wilmington will be held at Runge's Hall this evening, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers.
Under the decision of the Supreme Court every dollar worth of property in the State may be sold for taxes! Don't you want this changed? If so, vote for a Convention.
One hundred and twenty-nine homesteads are to be sold for taxes in Robeson county on the 5th of August. That's the way the present Radical Constitution guarantees the homestead.
A man in Jersey City, who had forcibly kissed a school girl, was fined by a magistrate, horse-whipped by the girl's big brother, and snatched bald-headed by his own wife. And it was not much of a kiss after all, he says.
Only eight interments are reported for Pine Forest Cemetery for the month of July, of which number 6 were children and 2 adults. This makes a total of 21 interments for the month, including the reports from both Cemeteries.
Two white men, claiming to be soldiers, got into a difficulty in a bar-room yesterday, during which the lesser of the two struck his more formidable antagonist in the face with a tumbler, cutting it severely in two different places. Dr. A. E. Wright dressed the wounds.

Remember.
The ordinary expenses of the government of the State amount now to about \$700,000 a year. Under the alterations proposed in the new constitution it will not be over half that. Here is an item for tax-payers to consider.
Had Enough Fighting.
We have the particulars of a very laughable occurrence that took place in Duplin county a few days since. A certain gentleman of Kenansville took it into his head to play a practical joke on a certain person of that vicinity, who is usually very profuse in boasts of his prowess and of the daring feats he has performed. The gentleman alluded to met his intended victim on Saturday last and informed him that four men in the county, including himself, had been drafted to go to Robeson county and hunt the outlaws; that the others were already packing up and preparing to go to the scene of operations, and that the deputy sheriff of the county was then on the lookout for him to compel him to go with the others. The victim of the joke, not having the faintest suspicion that he was being imposed upon, stated that if the other three were fools enough to go, he would go if he would, for he had been sufficiently amused in the way of fighting during the late war, and was not going to get into another such scrape if he knew himself. Whereupon he started on a double-quick for the woods, only stopping long enough as he passed the house of his employer to request that individual to take care of his family and see that they should not suffer during his absence. This was on Saturday, and when our informant left Kenansville on Monday night he had not been seen or heard of since his expeditious flight.
White Brass Band.
We learn that it is proposed at an early day to organize a white brass band in this city. In order to facilitate this matter it becomes necessary for the splendid instruments purchased by the Conservative Executive Committee during the last Presidential campaign to be brought forward, and we suggest that some responsible person be selected to hunt them up. If the instruments can be secured there will be no difficulty in organizing a good band, as we know of several gentlemen and experienced musicians who are anxious to get up a first class band. Nearly every town in the State, large and small, has its white as well as colored bands, and why not Wilmington, by far the largest city in North Carolina? Bring out the instruments, gentlemen, and we will guarantee that there will be plenty of gentlemen found who will be willing to "take a horn!"
Go to the polls early. They will open at sunrise.

Advertising for the People.
We would call the attention of the public to the MORNING STAR's charges for short advertisements, especially for the accommodation of the growing demand for the publication of brief notices such as "Wants," "To Let," "For Sale," etc. Most advertisements of this character can be reduced to five lines space, and the charge for them being but half our regular rates when paid for strictly in advance. This offers increased inducements for servants wanting places, for families wishing domestics, for farmers having a horse, or a cow, or an old wagon for sale, landlords wishing tenants, and tenants wishing landlords, to use the MORNING STAR as a medium for communicating with their several but unknown customers.
Storekeepers can also make equal avail of these rates for short advertisements, to invite public attention to any speciality in trade, or any change in their places.
The use of the daily newspaper, as the agency for communication between people of all classes, is constantly increasing, and illustrates one of the ways in which modern civilization is saving time, labor, and money, in carrying on the business of life.

Our Chip Basket.
Maid of honor—those who do not jilt suitors.
To try a wager is to bet—but to win it is better.
What part of speech is kissing—a conjunction.
When is a ship like a scarf-pla? When it is on the bosom of a heavy swell.
Saratoga ladies wear earrings and necklaces composed of five dollar gold pieces.
The young lady whose feelings were "all worked up" has ordered a fresh supply.
A Sacramento bride has commenced her honeymoon with a \$100,000 check from "the old man."
Physicians agree that no woman's heart can be so badly broken that a verdict of \$5,000 won't cure it.
It was in 1820 that the first public examination of a young lady in geometry was witnessed in this country.
Fun, commenting on the proverb "Peace hath her victories," says, "Just so; more fall in Love than in War!"
Printing Ink.
A full supply of Robinson's Printing Inks kept constantly on hand at the office of the MORNING STAR. These inks are equal, if not superior, to any manufactured in this country. Kegs of 25 lbs kept in stock for the special benefit of weekly papers. Cash orders solicited.

Freaks of Lightning at Magnolia.
Correspondence of the Star.
MAGNOLIA, Aug. 2.
Mr. Editor: Yesterday evening, about 5 o'clock, there was quite a thunder storm and heavy rain here. The lightning struck the telegraph poles on both sides of the office. The explosion was loud. A. H. Morris, the operator, was stunned, and several others shocked. The things in the office were scattered and scattered, and but for the fact that the cut-off had just been detached from the main line it is supposed the whole would have been destroyed and the building burnt. M.

Weather Report.
W. H. BERNARD,
Office of Chief Signal Officer,
Washington, Aug. 2—4:35 P. M.
Probabilities.
Partially cloudy and pleasant weather with rising temperature is probable for Thursday from Pennsylvania to Missouri and southwards. Rising barometer with but few local storms will probably be experienced from Michigan to Missouri and Iowa. Local rains of this evening from the Ohio river northward and westward will probably continue but a short time. No important change is indicated for New England.

Conservative Rally Last Night.
The largest and most enthusiastic meeting of the campaign was held in front of the Dawson Bank Building on Front, between Market and Princess streets, last night, which was addressed by Edwin W. Kerr, Esq., Col. R. H. Cowan, Maj. J. A. Engelhard and John L. Holmes, Esq., in the order in which they are named, and who made able and convincing speeches, appealing to the people for the last time in this canvass to do their whole duty on this, the day of election, to their State, to their country and to themselves. It was very gratifying to see such a grand outpouring of the people on this occasion and it augurs good for the cause in New Hanover county to-day. Our canvassers have done nobly in this campaign—have fought manfully for the triumph of right and justice at the ballot box, and it now remains for the people to second their efforts by going to the polls this morning determined, not only to vote, but to work for Convention until the sun sets this evening. As we said yesterday—"A long pull, a strong pull and a pull altogether, and the day is ours!"

Excursion Yesterday.
The excursion yesterday was pronounced by many who participated in it the most pleasant of the season. The day was delightful, the sun being partly obscured by clouds, while the sea breeze was most refreshing. After spending a few minutes at Smithville the party went over to Caswell, where they spent a pleasant hour surveying the ruins of the fort, while some of the boys indulged in a sea bath. They then returned to Smithville, where they received several reinforcements. At three o'clock they started up the river. Arriving off New Inlet they found an outward bound vessel lying at anchor. Taking her in tow they carried her out to sea, thus giving the party an opportunity of a short trip outside. This was conceded by all the ladies (not one being sea-sick) to have been the most pleasant part of the excursion. At seven o'clock the party arrived safely in town, fully determined to make the excursion of next Wednesday an equal success.

Arrival of the New Engine.
The new steam fire engine for the colored firemen arrived by Railroad yesterday, and was soon after taken to the wharf foot of Dock street, where a sort of experimental trial, in her rough and incomplete state, just as she was taken from the train, was made by Engineer Chas. R. Banks, of the "Rankin," under the Superintendence of Mr. P. M. Rice, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department. The result, everything considered, was very satisfactory indeed. The engine rocked considerably under the pressure of steam, but threw a beautiful stream of water, and forced it to a distance which was very creditable. The test trial, we learn, will take place on Friday, when we expect to speak more fully of her merits or demerits.

Look Out for Them.
We learn that about sixty colored men, who left here some months since to work in another State, have quit their business and come to this place to vote. Our challengers are notified to look out for them. These men have not been in the State ten days, yet already bona fide residents of the Township in which they propose to vote for that length of time.
If you have found anything, advertise it in our new department, under head of "Lost and Found," at half our regular rates, for advertisements not exceeding five lines.

City Real Estate for Sale.
BY virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, issued at June Term, 1871, for foreclosure of a certain mortgage executed to the W. I. Building Association by Charles A. Williams, I shall proceed to sell, on Tuesday, August 23, 1871, at the Court House, at 11 o'clock A. M., that certain piece of property described in said mortgage deed, to wit: Beginning on the western line of Fourth street, at a point 122 feet South of the south western intersection of Fourth street with Bladen, thence South with said line of Fourth street 65 feet, thence westwardly in a parallel with Bladen street 125 feet, thence northwardly in a line parallel with Fourth street 65 feet, and thence eastwardly in a line parallel with Bladen street 125 feet to the beginning, being east part of lot 3, Block 28, per plan of City of Wilmington, with all right, title, interest, privileges and appurtenances belonging to or in any wise appertaining to said land.
W. R. EMPLE, Com.
J. T. JAMES, Auctioneer.
By JAMES & MEARES.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
HEINBERGER'S Live Book Store, 39 Market Street—New Arrivals of Blank Books and the Latest Novels.
Munson & Co., City Clothiers.—Children's Clothing and Hats at Cost.
C. D. MYERS & Co., No. 7 North Front St.—Full and complete stock of Groceries, &c.
W. M. STEVENSON.—Wood and Willow Ware.
Positively Selling Out at Cost at No. 44, Market Street.
Having rented the store now occupied by Mr. John G. Bauman, corner Front and Market Streets, and intending to open there with an entire new stock of Goods, I now offer my entire present stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Hats, Notions, &c., &c., at actual cost.
Persons wishing to purchase will do well by calling on me before buying elsewhere, as they will certainly be able to get bargains at S. Levy's, Next door to Patten's Bakery.

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Plantation for Sale.
BY virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, issued at June Term, 1871, for foreclosure of a certain mortgage executed by A. C. Rembaum to F. W. Foster, and by him assigned to E. B. R. R. R., I shall proceed to sell, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of August, 1871, at the Court House, at 11 o'clock, that certain tract or parcel of land in the town of Lillington, described in said mortgage deed, and being situate in said county, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in the main road, thence S. 74° W. 65 poles to a stake, thence by lands of — Burnett, S. 81° W. 37 poles to a stake, thence by lands of the main run of said creek to the beginning.
TERMS CASH.
W. R. EMPLE, Commissioner.
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