

From a letter received at this office from Capt. W. J. Potter, dated Morehead City, February 8th, we learn that the Government Steamer Emma Dunn; with Morriss & Cummings' No. 9 large dredge in town, bound from Baltimore to this city, arrived at that place that evening. Capt. P. says they had a good passage all the way, with the exception of the passage through Core Sound, which is very shoaly, with only six inches of water to spare, which necessitated "heaving" over two places, the steamer drawing 51 feet. Capt. Potter thinks beyond all doubt that he has got the things along which will make the old Cape Fear wake up. The River Dredge is a very powerful machine, capable of lifting thirty tons, and is supplied with "hookers" and "diggers" that, Capt. P. remarks, "with make many old alligators, catfish and sturgeon hunt other quarters." The section dredge that is to go on the steamer is now in this city and will be put on as soon as she arrives here. It was two weeks yesterday since Capt. Potter left Baltimore with the steamer and dredge, and he is now waiting for the steamer J. T. Easton, Capt. Harper, to arrive and tow them to this port, which will be done as soon as the weather moderates. At the time of writing, on Sunday, Capt. P. says the wind was blowing heavy from the Northeast, but the vessels were in a good harbor and not exposed to its influence. All on board reported in good health.

St. George and St. Andrew's Society. At a meeting of the St. George and St. Andrew's Society, held last evening, at the office of P. Murphy, Esq., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President-A. Sprunt, Esq. Vice President-J. L. Kein, Sr. Secretary-P. Murphy. Treasurer-James Deems. Physician-D. M. Buie. Chaptain-Rev. J. L. Kein, Jr.

At the same meeting the following gentlemen were elected honorary members: H. B. Walker, Esq., H. B. M. Consul for the Carolinas; Col. W: L. Steele, of Rockingham, N. C., and Rev. J. M. Sprunt, of Kenansville, N. C.

Rev. Edward Martin.

For two Sundays past the Presbyterian pulpits in this city have been occupied by Rev. Edward Martin, of St. Charles, Missouri. On last Sunday the subject of his discourse was the pathetic story of Ruth's devotion. It was a graceful and at times eloquent tribute to one of the loftiest characters in Scripture. Mr. Martin impresses the hearer by his nervous force, his tenderness, his felicitous yet simple, natural language, and by the earnestness that marks the thought as well as the delivery of his sermons. We hear that he has made a large number of friends during his short sojourn in this City by the Sea.

The Proposed Cotton Factory. At a meeting of the Real Estate and Loan,

We deem it unnecessary to urge upon your consideration the importance of this enterprise and its benefits to this city. Believing that the citizens will endorse your action in donating or loaning to the Association the amount asked, the friends of the Association appeal to you to take such action as may be necessary to submit the proposition for their ratification or rejecion at the polls.

We are, gentlemen, very truly, GEO. Z. FRENCH, W. H. BERNARD, J. A. ENGELHARD, Committee.

The following communication was received, read and ordered placed on file: TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Third Auditor's Office, Feb. 2, '74.

HON. W. P. CANADAY, Mayor of Wilmington:

MY DEAR'SIR :- As a member of the Committee appointed by the honorable Board of Aldermen of the city of Wilmington to bring to the attention of Congress the necessity and importance of continued and greater appropriations for the improvement of the bar at the mouth of the Cape Fear River, I would say, that after conversation with different members of the Senate and House Committees on Commerce, Ways and Means, Finance and Appropriations, do not believe that it will be possible to obtain more than the amount recommended, viz: \$100,000. Under the pressure for reduced appropriations, and the resolution of the House directing the Heads of Departments to reduce their estimates, all the estimates were reduced and graded down,

among others, the estimate for improvements at the Cape Fear bar. Although we fully appreciate the necessity of a larger appropriation this year than heretofore, you will readily perceive, that under the circumstances the Committee would find it almost impossible to increase our appropriation without also increasing hundreds of other appropriations that had been graded down on the same scale with ours, and which are considered in the several localities to be equal in importance with our bar improve-

As a member of the Committee I will take pleasure in keeping you informed as to the progress and result of our labors. I am, very respectfully,

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ALLAN RUTHERFORD. The Finance Committee, through Alder-

man Grainger, reported, recommending a further appropriation of \$100 for the Washington Committee. Adopted. The action of the Mayor in awarding contract for paving certain sidewalks with

Bladen brick to Capt. R. S. Radcliff, at 90 cents per square yard, was confirmed. The Mayor was authorized to purchase 2,000 feet of flagging stones for street cross-

The Committee on Streets and Wharves reported, recommending that both sides of Nutt street, from Mulberry to Brunswick, be paved to the width of 6 feet. Adopted, and contract awarded to Capt. R. S. Radcliff for paving same with best Eastern brick at \$1 per square yard. In the matter of further opening and establishing Front street from Hanover to Harnett street and Brunswick and Harnett streets to the river, the grades, as submitted

by the City Surveyor, were presented and after considerable discussion, were estabblished by the Board.

The Board then adjourned until next Nutt street, on Saturday night, was found

play, as given by this company, has met with great success throughout the South and West, and whatever the doubt that may be experienced as to the moral of the play and the novel from which it is taken, there can be no question as to the eminent purity and delicacy, as well as power and pathos, of Miss Putnam's renditions of a character which involves the peculiar difficulty of at once repelling and challenging sympathy. An actress who, like Miss Putnam, can redeem the stupid and repulsive character of Lady Isabel, with all its stale platitudes and disgusting indecencies, can accomplish a

vast deal more with the character of Mercy Merrick. Mr. Nugent's Julian Gray is an extraordinarily fine characterization-graphic, unique and thorough; presenting a finely-

wrought, pathetic, and elegant portraiture. Mr. Ray, too, gave a most faithful representation of his important part in the performance, and Mrs. Nash again gave evidence of her ability to rank with the very best actresses in her line of characters.

Miss Putnam's Nan is a rattling, bustling, energetic assumption of a part admitting unlimited scope for the display of "business," as the professional term has it, and in seizing such opportunities, Miss Katie is never at fault.

Mr. Edwin Browne made his reappearance in the farce as Tom Dibbles, and was heartily greeted by those who learned last winter to regard him as one of the best light comedians and character-actors of the present day. Mr. Browne will appear during the week in a number of his best assumptions. He has been recognized by the press and the public as a worthy supporter of Miss Putnam. In Savannah and in Charleston they were both the recipients of handsome testimonials of public appreciation. In Savannah Mr. Arkwright presented each with a handsome lot, and in Charleston Miss Putnam was presented with a beauti-

ful set of jewelry, Mr. Brown being presented by the Knights of Pythias of that city with a handsome pin. To-night Miss Putnam gives her unequalled personation of Fanchon.

Mayors' Court. The following cases were disposed of

yesterday morning: Louis Davis and William Green, charged with fighting at a Bar-Room on Mulberry street, on Saturday night last, were found guilty, and required to pay a fine of \$10 each and the costs. Ben. Williamson, charged with larceny,

was found guilty and required to give security in the sum of \$50 for his appearance | a serious one, and in fact we learn that Mrs. at the Superior Court. Jas. Bun, charged with running a buggy on the sidewalk from Hayden's shop to the

Livery Stable. Judgment suspended on the payment of costs. Benjamin Williamson, charged with

fighting and other disorderly conduct-on

- A young man who has worked one or two years at the printing business and wishes to complete his trade, can obtain a situation, as apprintice, by applying at the office of THE MORNING STAR. .tf

- In the United States Senate, yesterday, Mr. Merrimon, from this State, presented a petition of shipmasters and others, of this city, asking an appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of the Cape Fear River, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

- Miss Lillian E. Curtis postponed her proposed poetical rehearsal until this evening, when it will take place at the City Court Room, and it is hoped the disappointments she has met with will culminate in an audience commensurate with the elegant literary entertainment promised.

And Still the Work Goes On. The last victim of the villainous robbers and thieves with which our city seem to be overrun, is Mr. W. H. Taylor, residing on Second, between Church and Castle streets, from whose wardrobe was taken a fine cloth coat, belonging to himself, and three fine dresses belonging to his wife. The exact time the robbery was committed is not positively known. The first discovery of the fact was made on Sunday morning when Mr. T. was preparing to go to church. Certain circumstances now remembered by the family, but which at the time scarcely attracted their attention, lead to the belief that the articles were stolen on Friday afternoon, during the prevalence of the heavy rain which occurred on that day. It seems that a neighbor residing on the opposite side of the street, accompanied by her little child, was on a visit to Mrs. Taylor, and on starting home, Mrs. T. accompanied her to the front door, and on her return to the back door of the house, noticed that the gate was open and called to the servant to shut it, when the latter remarked that it had been left open by some person who passed through the yard a short time before and entered the house. Mrs. T. said no one had entered or left the house by that way since Mr. Taylor went away after dinner. The servant replied that some one certainly went out by the gate as she heard it "slam." Mrs. T. paid no attention to the remark of the servant at the time, however, further than to reiterate the order to shut the gate. No doubt is now entertained that the robbery was committed at that time. Much sympathy is felt for the family, as, under the circumstances, the loss to them is Taylor, who was in feeble health, has been

completely prostrated by the event. There is no clue to the robber.

Robbery and Subsequent Capture of the Thief.

On Thursday evening last a gentleman by the name of C. Stephenson, employed a the Navassa Guano Company's Works near

of the latter, advertisers will find it an admirable Petersburg, Va. At Cost! medium of communication with the farmers and planters of the two Carolinas.

THE "VIRGINIA LIFE."-The announcement of

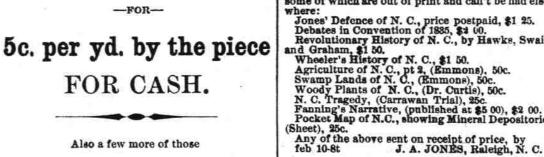
the Virginia Life Insurance Company, in another column, will claim the attention of the people of North Carolina, especially those who formerly held policies in the Wilmington North Carolina Life Insurance Company. The "Virginia Life" enjoys a very high reputation at home; and this is always the best recommendation that a Company can give. Major Garland, the State Agent for North Carolina, s now in Wilmington and will give all desired infor mation

Manufacturing the best Scale in the world, and making it a point to spare no expense in order to maintain the reputation acquired during a pous career of over forty years, the Messrs. Fa are always full of orders. Their business thus fa his year is largely in excess of the same period 1873. Among their orders in January was of e for twelve Railroad Track Scales. Last week the Com-pany made eight hundred Scales. They also pur-chased for immediate delivery seven hundred tons pig iron; but at the rate the furnaces are now conmonths. On Monday of this week they received an order from Chicago for twenty two five-hundred bushel Hopper Scales. America leads the world in this branch of industry, and the Fairbanks Scale is the acknowledged standard.

HOTEL ABBIVALS.

PURCELL HOUSE, J. R. DAVIS, Proprietor. E K Parker, Dr Colange, Boston; A L Reed, Washington, DC; JC White, Rock land, Me; A D Cutts, Angola, N C; Platt D Cowan, Dr P L Murphy, M M Johnson City; C L Beatty, Richmond, Va; J H Aycock, Rockingham; Miss K A Aycock Fremont; B Godwin, Lumberton; W S Brogden, Rockingham; Mr and Mrs Corte. Connecticut; J Hartmand, Brooklyn; C E White and wife, Springfield, Mass; Dr S P Wright, Goldsboro; GF Brown, New York; A W Boatwright, Columbia; R E Bolten, C, C & A R R; N E Clark, New York; A B Bernheim, Savannah; R B Gaddy and wife, Polkton, N C: J J Long, H C Long, P Faulk, T H Bill, Whiteville, N C Katie Putnam and maid, Mrs Mary Putnam, Edwin Browne.





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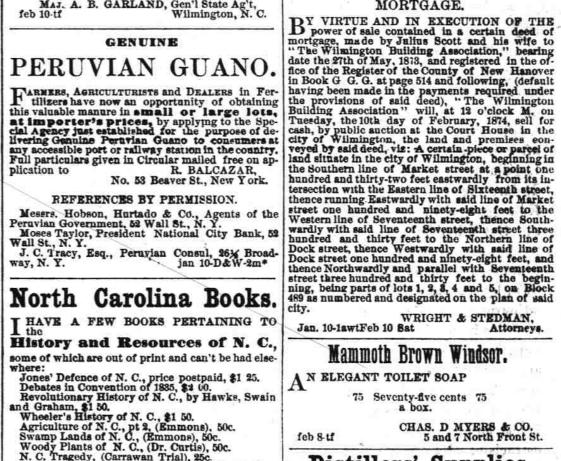
And Ladies' Vests, AT COST FOR CASH.

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thence running Eastwardly with said line of Market street one hundred and ninety-eight feet to the Western line of Seventeenth street, thence South-wardly with said line of Seventeenth street three hundred and thirty feet to the Northern line of Dock street, thence Westwardly with said line of Dock street one hundred and ninety-eight feet, and thence Northwardly and parallel with Seventeenth street three hundred and thirty feet to the begin-ning, being parts of lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, on Block 489 as numbered and designated on the plan of said city. Jan. 10-1awtFeb 10 Bat Attorneys. Mammoth Brown Windsor. A N ELEGANT TOILET SOAP CHAS. D MYERS & CO. 5 and 7 North Front St. **Distillers' Supplies.** 1.200 BDLS. HOOP IRON (1, 1% & 1% iach) 2d-Hand Spirit Casks. 500 Paper Rivets. For sale by KERCHNER, & CALDER BROS., 27, 28 & 29 North Water St.

At Cost !

DUDLEY & ELLIS, Sign of the Big Boot.

N o. 8, South Front St.,

		until next Nutt street, on Saturday night, was found guilty and required to pay a fine of \$20	the Mavassa Guano Company's works hear			Bacon, Pork, Flour and Uais.
	Association, held at the rooms of the Wil- mington Library Association, last night,	and the costs or work for thirty days on	this city, was roobed at Onion Depot of a		DAMAGED GOODS	175 BOXES SMOKED & D. S. SIDES & SHOUL-
	for the purpose of taking into consideration the proposition to subscribe \$10,000 fo the proposed cotton factory to be located in this city, the matter was referred to a Committee of five, with instructions to report at a meeting to be held at the same place on Friday evening next. The Committee is composed of the following gentlemen: Will a the same taken to the taken taken to the taken	the streets. The streets. Ditches. Ditches. Ditches. Ditches. There are a number of deep ditches at the intersection of Eleventh and Princess streets, with no lamp in the vicinity to "guide the weary traveller on his way." Consequently a man who passed that way with his wife on Sunday night, returning	Mr. S. has been in the employ of the com- pany-some eight or nine months, a part of that time in the West Indies. A short time since he became indisposed and wenthome to recruit, returning on Thursday evening. Arriving at Union Depot he laid his valise down for a moment and had barely turned his back on it when he started to pick it up	Millinery and Fancy Articles. EXCHANGE CORNER. feb 10-tr The United States Business Directory. WANTED : A General Agent for North Carolina.	EX STEAMER SHERMAN, JUST OPENED AT No. 11 Market St., Large assortment of French Mourning Goods .& 1,000 pieces Prints, Best brands: Sprague's, American and Dunnels, which will be sold without reserve at Auction and Private Sale.	100 Bbis. Pork. 1,200 Bbis. Flour. 5,000 Bushels Oats. Eor sale by KERCHNER & CALDER BROS, feb 8-tf 27, 28 & 29 North Water St. A Good QUALITY OF GROUND COFFEE CAN BE had from me at 30 cents per lb., prepared by my- self. Pure Ground Laguayra and Java Coffee al-
	H. Ohlandt and C. D. Myers. Launch Postponed. The Pilot Boat being built for Messrs. Carolina, Western North Caro mington, Charlotte and Ruther the Spartanburg and Union Rail bonds of the Company, at 6 per	blins, Wil- erford and them and found it five feet, about three of which was water. His wife pulled him out and he went home a wiser and a wetter man.	course that it had been stolen, but could discover no trace of the thief, and finally gave it up as lost.	C. H. Ward's	Ladies and gentlemen please call and examine be- fore purchasing, and you can save fifty per cent. JOE STERNBERGER & CO., feb 10-tf Auctioneers. Fine Fat Beaufort Oysters.	ways fresh from roaster, at jan 37-tf J. C. STEVENSON. New Goods For Cash. WE INVITE THE ATTENTION OF THE Public to our
1	Piver & Sellars by Messrs. B W. Berry & Son will be launched this (Tuesday) after- noon, at 3 o'clock. She was to have been launched yesterday afternoon, but the bad weather prevented. endorsed by the State of North and the Treasurer of the United — Forgery case before the formation of the United — Forgery case before the today.	A bill to incorporate the Farm- ers', Mechanics and Laborers' Union Aid	Time passed on and Sunday evening found him sauntering along Nutt street, when suddenly the idea struck him to write home and request his family to send him more clothing. With this view he stepped	r ing Saloon, 7 South Front St., Wilmington, N. C. N. B-I have secured the services of the BEST	THE BEST IN MARKET THIS SEASON.	VV Public to our STOCK OF GROCER1ES which we will sell unusually close to CASH BUY- ERS. EDWARDS & HALL.
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