

RAVES OF SUBSCRIPTION. One year, in advance by mail, \$7.00. Six months, in advance, \$4.50. Three months, in advance, \$3.00. One month, in advance, \$1.00.

OUTLINES. Schneider, the French Bonapartist statesman, has had a stroke of apoplexy. Barque Pulcinella, New York to Bristol, sunk off Irish coast, and twelve crew were lost. Yellow fever in Rio Janeiro and cholera in Buenos Ayres.

MERRILL. In the Senate of the United States Tuesday Mr. Bayard, of Delaware, introduced a resolution calling on the President to inform the Senate whether any officer of the army had received money or fees from the Legislature of South Carolina for services rendered the State.

It will be remembered that this man Merrill was an emmal Claverhouse going about the upper part of the State of South Carolina arresting men and dragging them up for trial on all sorts of charges, some of which were trumped up for political purposes.

Supplemental to an Act Passed at the Present Session of the General Assembly Regulating the Times of Holding the Superior Courts of the Fourth Judicial District. SEC. 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact, That the Act passed at the present session of the General Assembly...

AN ACT In Reference to the Election in the City of Wilmington. SEC. 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact, That all such provisions contained in chapter 61 (entitled Inspections of Battle's Revisal of the Public Statutes of North Carolina, which are in conflict with the provisions of an act concerning inspections in the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, ratified the 21st day of December, 1870, being chapters 6 of the Private Laws of 1870-71, be and the same are hereby repealed.

The organization of a new company to lay a light cable from the coast of Great Britain to Halifax, via the Azores Islands, is announced in London. The capital is \$280,000, and the prospectus, which was opened on Saturday, says it is the intention of the company to convey messages over its cable at the rate of one shilling per word.

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FIFTY-FIFTH DAY. EVENING SESSION. SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, February 11. Mr. Davis asked indefinite leave of absence for Mr. Dunham, who was sick. Granted.

A bill to change the line between Cumberland and Bladen counties with amendments, passed its third reading.

Mr. Love moved to amend to strike out the title and insert the following: Resolution to abolish the Fourth of July, and substitute St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. Adopted.

Mr. Averá moved to amend: Resolved further that we, the Representatives and Senators do most solemnly declare that in our deliberate opinion that after passing the above and publishing the same to the world, that we surely shall be entitled to the appellation of "Solomons," and we denounce all as hard-headed fools, who do not cheerfully accord to us this title of distinction and wisdom.

Mr. Troy offered an amendment to the effect of allowing certain commutation of time for good behavior, and also that a certain fund be set apart for similar conduct. Adopted.

Mr. Love moved to amend by allowing a certain amount of tobacco. Adopted.

Mr. Troy moved to amend by providing divine service. Adopted. The amendment allows \$200 for services.

Mr. Troy moved to amend by providing Sabbath school teachers, appropriating \$250 to that end. Not adopted.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. THURSDAY, Feb. 12. On motion of Mr. Craig, the rules were suspended and the Senate bill to provide for the election of two Superior Court Judges was taken up and passed, as amended by the House.

On motion of Mr. Luckey, the rules were suspended and the bill appropriating \$65,000 for the support, &c., of the Insane Asylum, was read and passed several readings.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, offered an amendment to strike out "University" and insert "Public schools." Adopted.

Pending the consideration of the bill on its third reading, the House adjourned.

Local Notes.

The Alma, Graebe, cleared from London for this port on the 27th inst. The Florence, Harden, arrived at Bristol from this port on the 26th inst.

The British Brig Neptune's Car, Pike, arrived at London from this port on the 9th inst. The Graf Trautvetter, Wendt, cleared from Liverpool for this port on the 24th inst.

We learn that 99 true bills have been returned during the present session of the Superior Court.

To avoid the rush at the door the ladies can procure tickets to the matinee this afternoon at Heinsberg's.

The bill to incorporate the Cape Fear Cotton and Woolen Mills passed its several readings in the House on Thursday.

We tender our thanks to Gen. Allan Rutherford, Third Auditor of the Treasury, for valuable public documents.

The steamship Pioneer, hence Tuesday, the 10th inst., arrived at Philadelphia on Thursday, the 12th inst., at 7 P. M.

We embrace this opportunity of informing our readers (especially our young friends of both sexes) that this is St. Valentine's Day.

The British Brig Courier, reported in Wednesday's paper as being in below awaiting orders, has sailed for Charleston.

Rev. Jas. R. Wilson, D. D., of Columbia, S. C., will preach in the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.

The Augusta, Dornig, arrived at Antwerp from this port on the 25th ult., and the Diana, Jonassen, was below that port on the 27th.

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PRESENTATION SPEECH.

The following is the speech of Mr. A. T. London, delivered at the Opera House last evening, in presenting to Miss Katie Putnam the handsome gold watch tendered by her admirers in this city:

Permit me, my dear Miss Putnam, to be- half of your friends, the ladies and gentlemen of Wilmington, to thank you for this visit, which has afforded us the opportunity of again seeing your charming and unequalled impersonations, of some of the most beautiful characters in modern drama.

In common with your other friends and admirers, I have swept over your "Little Nell," and laughed over "The Little Rebel," and I assure you that your Wilmington friends will, in your journey through life, always weep with you in misfortune, and rejoice in the success which must attend you.

With a view to give a tangible expression to their admiration and respect for a lovely lady and genuine artiste, a few friends have desired through me, their willing medium, to offer this slight testimonial of their regard and esteem, and with it to express a fervent wish that you may soon return to us, with the perfect assurance of always receiving a WILMINGTON WELCOME.

In accepting the present Miss Putnam re- posed in an appropriate manner.

To the Work House. The following persons, all colored, convicted at the present term of the Superior Court, were taken to the Work House yesterday, in charge of a proper guard:

James Porter, larceny, 9 months; Elias Merrick, larceny, 15 months; Sam Berry, larceny, 15 months; Louis Selby, larceny, 18 months; Benj. Clark, larceny, 14 months; William Perry, larceny, 13 months; Joseph Davis, larceny, 15 months; David Price, larceny, 15 months; Wm. Sloum, larceny, 18 months; John Davis, larceny, 18 months; Ben. Moore, larceny, 14 months. Total, 11.

Superior Court. The only business transacted in the Superior Court yesterday was the hearing of a few motions, when, at 11 o'clock, court took a recess until 10 A. M. on Monday.

The State docket for the term has been finished up, with the exception of the trials of Amos and Mahala Gregory, for murder, a hearing of the first named being set for Tuesday.

CITY ITEMS. FINE OYSTERS.—Call at Gilbert's Saloon and try some of those splendid New River Oysters, just to hand, large, fat and luscious.

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