The Morning Star.

MISSION OF SONG.

MISS MARR, OF VIRGINIA.

He has a holy mission; it is hers
To speed o'er every land, and clime, and race,
And rescue from oblivion, change, and years,
The noble and sublime of every age and place.
When marble falls and crumbles into dust,
Song, living song, shall guard with care her trust.

How a Woman Posts a Letter.

[Detroit Free Press.]

Any day when you have time you can see how she does it by dropping into the postoffice. She arrives there with the letter in her hand. It is a sheet of note enclosed in a white envelope. She halts in front of the stamp window, opens her mouth to ask for a stamp, but suddenly darts away and looks at the letter to see if she made any errors in names or dates. It takes her five minutes to make sure of this, and then she balances the letter on her finger, and the awful query arises in her mind, "Perhaps it is over weight! She steps to the window and asks the clerk if he has a three-cent stamp, fearing that he hasn't, and she looks over every compartment of her portemonnaie before she finds the change to pay for it.

The fun begins as she gets the stamp. She sidles around to one side removes her gloves, closely inspects the stamp, and hesitates whether to "lick" it or on or wet her finger. She finally concludes that it wouldn't be nice to show her tongue and she wets her finger and passes it over the envelope. She is so long picking up the stamp that the moisture is absorbed and the stamp slides off the envelope. She tries it twice more with the same success, and then, getting desperate, she gives the stamp a "lick" and it sticks. Then comes the sealing of the letter. She wets her finger again, but the envelope flies open, and after five minutes' delay she has to pass her tongue along the streak of dried mucilage. She holds the letter a long time to make sure that the envelope is all right, and finally asks at the window:

"Three cents is enough, is it?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"And this will go out to-day?"

"Certainly."

"Will it go to Chicago without the name of the county on?"

"Just the same."

"What time will it reach there?"

"To-morrow morning."

She sighs, turns the letter over and over, and finally asks, "Shall I drop it into one of those places there?"

"Yes, ma'am."

She walks up in front of the six orifices through which letters fall upon the table, closely scans each one of them, finally makes a choice, and drops—no, she doesn't. She stops to see where it will fall, pressing her face against the window until she flattens her nose out of shape, and she doesn't drop it into the place she meant to. She, however, releases it at last, looks down to make sure that it did not fall on the floor, and turns away with a sigh of regret that she didn't take one more look at the superscription.

Sayings of Che-foo-tain.

"I should like to see a world peopled with men alone, just to learn what kind of creatures they would become; but I never expect to. There would be but one man in it at a time. He would have eaten all the rest."

"I should like to see a world peopled with women alone; but I never shall—I would not dare to go near it."

"I should like to see the most perfect of human beings—but not till after I am dead and in another state of existence; for it is a sad thing to have no character among one's fellows."

"I wish that I had ingenuity enough to steal without being caught at it, because reputation and respect in the world are pleasant things to secure."

"I am told that human breath poisons the air, and the trees have to keep it pure by sucking the poison out. It seems to me that a great many people are put into the world for nothing but to make hard work for the trees. I do not understand it."

"There is another catastrophe that I am in dread of. I am afraid that we shall learn some day to read one another's thoughts. That will be the end of society and marriage. We shall have to live alone after that.

"I knew a man once who did not like to have his name in the newspapers. I have not seen him since I was a boy. I think he is dead."

"When I was young I had thoughts of marrying, and I began to look for a wife whom all women would speak well of, but I never found her. I have wasted my time."

"There was a place set apart in heaven for good wives who could judge a wicked thing as harshly when a man did it as when a woman did it. But it has never been occupied, I believe."

"I foolishly applied myself once to the study of the laws. It is fortunate that I gave it up, for I should have been sorry to lose all sense of justice."

"Since my eyes began to grow dim, and I do not read any more, I find I'm daily growing in wisdom."

"I dreamed last night that I had three friends. How crazy we are in our sleep."

— Among the deaths announced in Paris recently was that of Baron Carbinau, at the age of eighty-three. The Baron lost his leg at Wagram, and in the battle scene in the gallery at Versailles he is to be seen opposite the Emperor, going away on a stretcher.

Death of a Twenty-five Thousand Dollar Cow.

[Paris Kentuckian, Jan. 20.]

On Saturday last the Fourth Duchess of Oneida died at the Hon. T. J. Megibben's. She was purchased by Megibben & Bedford, October, 1873, at Campbell's New York Mills sale, for $25,000. She leaves a bull three months old, by the Fourteenth Duke of Thorndale, said to be one of the finest Dukes in the country. There was, of course, no insurance on her. Thus the $25,000 heifer has met the same fate as the $40,500 cow. Mr. E. G. Bedford has been particularly unfortunate, having heretofore lost two costly bulls.

A Royal Bender.

It is alleged that King Kalakaua "got on a regular bender" at St. Louis, beginning at Shaw's Garden, changing to "some good old Bourbon" at Gen. Sherman's headquarters, and ended with "forty-rod" in a back-street groggery. He wanted to see real life in St. Louis, saw it, and went away with a very bad headache.

California.

In 1874 two thousand new houses were erected in San Francisco. In round figures the sums paid for sales of real estate amounted to $24,000,000, or nearly double the total of the previous year. The increase in the value of real estate is estimated at 10 per cent. The present population of the city is placed at 220,000.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

Our Terms Under The New Postal Law.

Under the new law which goes into effect January 1, 1875, we are required to pre-pay the postage on THE MORNING STAR. This will add considerably to the expense of publication, but we have determined to make no advance in the present price of subscription to *yearly* subscribers.

The price for six months will be advanced from $3 50 to $4 00, that for three months from $2 00 to $2 25, and that for one month from 75 cents to $1 00.

This will make our new rates as follows:

DAILY STAR	1 year	(postage paid)	$7 00
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With the exception of the monthly price these new rates are all lower than our old rates, as the postage now paid by subscribers is $1 20 per year. In the case of yearly subscribers the cost of the DAILY STAR is now $1 20 less than formerly.

Under the new system we shall enforce the cash plan more rigidly than ever before; and this will result in the stoppage of many papers if subscriptions are not renewed by January 1st. We cannot afford to send our paper on credit and prepay the postage besides.

We hope every subscriber on our books will renew promptly. [tf

Causes of Nervousness.

The maladies which above all others cause nervousness, are dyspepsia, biliousness and constipation. The great sympathetic nerve which connects the epigastric region with the brain, is always injuriously affected if the stomach and bowels are disordered; a permanent derangement of the functions of those organs reacts by sympathy upon the entire nervous system. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, in restoring tone and regularity to the digestive apparatus, and overcoming constipation, permanently remedy the nervous complaints which originate in alimentary weakness or disturbances. They are the very best nervine that can be used. By eradicating the exciting causes of nervous weakness, they permanently overcome the disability itself. But this is not all. By checking the maladies which cause nervousness, they build up anew the system weakened and depleted by nervous disease.

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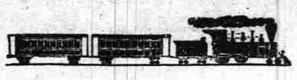
RAILROAD LINES.

Carolina Central Railway Company.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, December, 1874.



Change of Schedule.

ON AND AFTER THE 15TH INST., TRAINS will run over this Railway as follows:

PASSENGER TRAINS.

Leave Wilmington at	7:15 A. M
Arrive in Charlotte	7:00 P. M
Leave Charlotte	7:00 A. M
Arrive in Wilmington	6:45 P. M

Night Trains—(Fast Freight and Passenger)—in future notice.

FREIGHT TRAINS.

Leave Wilmington at	6:00 A. M
Arrive at Laurinburg at	5:40 P. M
Leave Laurinburg at	6:00 A. M
Arrive at Charlotte at	6:30 P. M
Leave Charlotte at	5:30 A. M
Arrive at Laurinburg	6:00 P. M
Leave Laurinburg at	6:00 A. M
Arrive at Wilmington	6:00 P. M

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Engineer and Sup't.

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Wilmington & Weldon RAILROAD CO.

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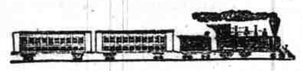

Change of Schedule.

ON AND AFTER NOV. 24TH INST, PASsenger trains on the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad will run as follows:

MAIL TRAIN.

Leave Union Depot daily, (Sunday's excepted)	At	7:35 A. M.
Arrive at Goldsboro		11:50 A. M
Rocky Mount		2:00 P. M.
Weldon		3.50 P. M.
Leave Weldon daily	At	9:50 A. M
Arrive at Rocky Mount		11:35 A. M
Goldsboro		1:37 P. M
Union Depot		6.05 P. M

EXPRESS TRAIN AND THROUGH FREIGHT TRAINS.

Leave Union Depot daily	At	7:15 P. M.
Arrive at Goldsboro		2:11 A. M.
Rocky Mount		5:19 A. M.
Weldon		7:30 A. M.
Leave Weldon, daily		6:30 P. M.
Arrive at Rocky Mount		9:36 P. M.
Goldsboro		12:39 A. M.
Union Depot		6:30 A. M.

The mail train makes close connection at Weldon for all points North *via* Bay Line and Acquia Creek routes.

Express Train connects only with Acquia Creek route. **Pullman's Palace Sleeping Cars on this Train.**

FREIGHT TRAINS will leave Wilmington tri weekly at 5:45 A. M., and arrive at 1:40 P. M.

JOHN F. DIVINE
General Superintenden

nov 24-tf

General Sup'ts Office,

WILMINGTON, COLUMBIA & AUGUSTA R. R. COMPANY,

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 5, 1875.

Change of Schedule.

ON AND AFTER TUESDAY, 5th instant, the following Schedule will be run:

NIGHT EXPRESS TRAIN, (Daily.)

Leave Wilmington	6:25 P. M
Leave Florence	11:55 P. M.
Arrive at Columbia	4:30 A. M
Arrive at Augusta	8:45 A. M.
Leave Augusta	4:15 P. M.
Leave Columbia	8:15 P. M.
Leave Florence	12:50 A. M.
Arrive at Wilmington	7:10 A M.

Passengers going west beyond Columbia take through tram, leaving Wilmington at 6:25.

Passenger and Mail Train, Daily (except Sundays).

Leave Wilmington	6:45 A. M.
Arrive at Florence	12:30 P. M.
Arrive at Columbia	5:10 P. M
Leave Columbia	8:30 A. M
Leave Florence	1:10 P. M
Arrive at Wilmington	7:00 P. M.

Through connections at Florence with trains for Charleston.

Through Sleeping Cars on night trains for Charleston and Augusta.

JAMES ANDERSON,
Gen'l Sup't.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Orton Plantation.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.

ALL Persons are hereby warned against shooting, hunting, fishing, ranging or otherwise trespassing on the lands known as the Orton Plantation, in the County of Brunswick. The indiscriminate slaughter of game at all seasons and the incessant depredations in other and more important respects, have rendered it necessary to post these lands; and fair notice is now given that the law will be rigidly enforced against all offenders.

dec 12-d&w-tf I. B. GRAINGER.

N. A. STEDMAN, Jr.

Attorney at Law,

ELIZABETHTOWN, N. C.

july 7-D&Wtf

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15 Cash Gifts,	10,000 each,	150,000
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25 Cash Gifts,	4,000 each,	100,000
30 Cash Gifts,	3,000 each,	90,000
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Death of Gov. Bramlette—Action of the Trustees—A Successor Appointed—No More Postponements—Drawing Certain February 27th.

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Public Library of Kentucky, Jan. 16, 1876, it was resolved that C. M. Briggs, Esq., who under the late Hon. Tho. E. Bramlette was the real business manager of the gift concerts already given in aid of the Public Library of Kentucky, be and he is hereby authorized to take the place made vacant by the death of said Bramlette, in the management of the affairs of the fifth and last gift concert, and that the drawing announced for February 27, 1875, shall positively and unequivocally take place on that day without any further postponement or delay on any account whatever.

R. T DURRETT, Pres.

JOHN S. CAIN, Secretary.

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