

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION IN ADVANCE: One year, (by mail postage paid) \$1.00; Six months, \$0.60; Three months, \$0.35; One month, \$0.10.

OUTLINES. One hundred thousand persons will be on public charity from the French inundations. At Toulouse 3,000 drowned by the overflow. Ex Emperor Ferdinand is dead at Prague. Large loss of life by the floods on the Danube. A mob hanged a Deputy Marshal in Iowa. Col. Thos. H. DeWitt committed suicide yesterday in Richmond.

OUR NOMINATIONS. The Democratic Conservatives have nominated the delegates named below in the counties designated: Bertie—Jos. B. Cherry; Mohr—Bladen—J. W. Russ; Brunswick—Robert D. Cowan; Catawba—Col. L. M. McCorkle; Cumberland—J. A. Worth, Neill R. Blue; Craven—Hons. M. E. Maully and C. C. Clark; Duplin—Rev. John N. Stallings, Wm. Farrior; Edgecombe—Capt. Fred. Philips, H. C. Bourne; Franklin—Col. W. Ferny Green; Harnett—John A. Harrington; Hyde—W. M. Carter; Johnston—Willis Saunders, Jesse Hinant; Lenoir—James M. Parrot; Martin—J. S. Waldo; Lincoln—Caleb Motz; Nash—Benj. H. Bunn; Orange—Hons. W. A. Graham and Josiah Turner; Person—Col. John W. Cunningham; Robeson—Dr. Duncan Sinclair and Calvin A. McEachern; Randolph—Rev. Braxton Craven, D. D., Dr. J. M. Worth; Rockingham—Ex-Gov. David S. Reid, Maj. J. Turner Morehead; Rutherford—A. G. Logan; Stokes—J. F. Hill; Wake—Richard H. Battle, Jr.; Wm. Seaton Gales, Rufus H. Jones and D. B. Holland; Yaukin—J. A. Stephenson.

A NIGHT BALLOON VOYAGE. Perilous Adventures of Three Canadian Editors—Flying Through the Air and Landing in the Water—A Fearful Night in Lake Ontario—Prof. Donaldson's Trip from Toronto. Mr. Charles Pirie, of the Toronto Sun, who with Mr. Charles of the Leader and Mr. Devine of the Advertiser, went up with Prof. Donaldson in the balloon P. T. Barnum from Toronto on Thursday last, gives an interesting account of the voyage and their miraculous escape from the waters of Lake Ontario. They reached an altitude of 2,000 feet, and when twilight set in they were over the centre of the lake. The Professor then announced that they would be compelled to remain out all night, as it would be impossible to make a landing unless the wind changed. The wind shortly increased and drove the balloon along at the rate of forty miles an hour. More ballast being thrown out the airship ascended until it reached a height of nearly two miles. At this point they could see nothing but each other and the stars. The atmosphere was clear and bitterly cold, and they huddled together in the basket to keep themselves warm. Then they descended and came within a few hundred feet of the water. They sighted Oshawa in the distance before it became dark and came within a few hundred feet of land. Then a change of wind drove them far out over the lake. Mr. Pirie continues: "As the evening wore into night, a heavy mist rose to the west, or in rear of the balloon. It seemed to follow close behind, but did not overtake it, the air being quite clear in front. At a later period in the night, when two of the reporters went almost asleep, having been singing and endeavoring to pass the time as pleasantly as possible under the circumstances, Mr. Devine, who was on the lookout, suddenly called attention to a magnificent burst of light which illuminated the whole sky. He fancied for a moment that the balloon was on fire, but this delusion was quickly dissipated, and the cause of the light was discovered to be a most brilliant meteor, which appeared almost directly overhead, lasting for an instant, and then suddenly darting off in an easterly direction, changed its course and gradually faded away. The spectacle was a singularly impressive one, and will never be forgotten by those who saw it."

STILL IN THE DARK. "After passing Port Hope, the whereabouts of the balloon became very erratic, the wind blowing from all points of the compass. After drifting about for some time in this purposeless manner, the balloon descended within twenty feet of the waves, which were rolling heavily, the great drag rope trailing in the lake. As this weight of rope was interfering with the motion of the balloon, the Professor's orders were that it should be taken into the car. This was no easy task, as it was an inch thick and nearly three hundred feet long. It having been coiled in the car after very heavy labor, it was found that the weight on the car was more than the bottom could bear, and it was again gradually let out to the extent of fifty feet. The balloon suddenly dipped into the water and rose again, and again dipped. This was, to say the least of it, unpleasant, and the ballast having been all disposed of, the Professor ordered the anchor and the drag line to be thrown overboard, and, thus lightened, the balloon sprang upward, and the moon rising, illumined the whole extent of the lake.

SIGHTING A SCHOONER. "The light enabled the party to sight a schooner in the distance, coming toward them from the east in the direct line of the balloon. The party immediately hailed the boat, which replied to the cries and asked where they were. Naturally, they replied "up in a balloon," which had such a humorous sound that those on board the schooner uttered some ejaculations of displeasure, and immediately tacked away. This was like the last hope disappearing and a feeling of dread apprehension fell upon the party. All hope was not however abandoned as it was felt that another vessel might come in sight or the wind drive the balloon ashore. At about 1 o'clock the car again dipped in the water and dragged at a fearfully rapid rate through the lake. This necessitated the parties on board clinging to the ropes and standing on the edge of the basket. The cold was intense and the arms of the reporters became so numb that holding on was almost mechanical.

THE RESCUE. "When all hope had been abandoned, the Professor, from his perch aloft, descried a blue light, which was hung at the masthead of a schooner approaching the balloon. As soon as she came within hailing distance the distress of the aerial travelers was made known, and a small boat was put out to the rescue. The balloon appeared to be filled with a spirit of contrariness, and instead of waiting to be rescued flew before the wind. Two young men in the boat, whose names were subsequently ascertained to be Henry Loney, aged 21, and Thomas Whallam, aged 18, rowed vigorously for an hour and a half, sometimes nearing the balloon and again left far behind. Fortunately, a dead calm fell, and the boat was enabled to reach the balloon, and the unmanageable monster was towed to shore near Long Point lighthouse, in Athol township, Prince Edward county."

Spirits Turpentine. —The Wake poll-tax cases have been continued until next term of Court. —Scott Reddick was drowned while bathing in a mill pond, near Charlotte, on Monday. —The Executive Committee will meet in Weldon on Thursday, the 8th of July, to perfect arrangements for the next Fair. —The Oxford Leader reports the crops in all sections of Granville to be excellent. A larger tobacco crop than usual will be made. —The Observer says the bridge over Long Creek, where the fatal accident of last Saturday occurred, is being repaired by the Assistant Superintendent. A hundred hands are at work, and the work has already been removed. It is thought that by 15-day the bridge will be completed and trains can run as usual. —The Raleigh News says: From all we learn, the interest in the approaching election for delegates to the Convention is increasing. There can be no doubt of the election of a large majority of Democrats, and even in those counties conceded to be doubtful, distrust has given way to confidence. The Radical programme to adjourn without action is having its effect. Reform is demanded, and it must be had. —Richmond letter of 29th to Index Appeal: John D. Patterson, charged with embezzling money while agent of the Southern Express Company at Reidville, N. C., and who was arrested here a few days ago, applied yesterday through Mr. S. M. Page, his counsel, to Police Justice White to be discharged. The application being refused, Mr. Page and his client before Judge Welford, of the City Circuit Court, today, on a writ of habeas corpus, and succeeded in having him discharged. —The citizens of Panther Branch township, Wake county, are greatly excited by what is supposed to have been a murder of the toughest character. It appears from the 15th of February last a young man named Scott Parton, son of A. W. Parton, of that section, late in the afternoon left his home in company with his wife, a daughter of Henderson Walker, of the same neighborhood, and a little child eight months of age, for the avowed purpose of going with his family to the neighborhood of Goldsboro. He left under very suspicious circumstances, and as nothing has been heard of his wife or child, they are thought to have been murdered at his hands. The whole country is being secured by citizens of the township. Parton has been seen since skulking in the neighborhood. —A letter passed through the Charlotte postoffice recently bearing this address: "Lovesville, Canastota, Mr. C. B. Cook, the president of Canastota Philology Institution, Box 13, if not, Mr. Rosemaster, wish you to place in Mr. C. B. Cooke's box so will get it, I am not surten of his box beta 13, but the postmaster will please so kind as to send this letter in the Colored Philology mail."

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The Late Fire in Laurinburg. In addition to the account which has already appeared in our columns of the disastrous conflagration at Laurinburg, we learn from the same correspondent the following particulars: The firms of McCaskey & McLean and Bryant & Morgan, were comparatively speaking, perhaps, entirely secured. F. Fountain's loss in goods reached fully four thousand dollars, not insured, together with his books with numerous accounts. W. H. Murphy's loss reaches fully one thousand dollars. About half of this amount is covered by insurance in the North Carolina Home Company. Several companies are represented, but none are represented separately for more than about four thousand dollars. Many families lost in private property, clothing, jewelry, &c., various amounts from ten to five hundred dollars each. The loss of Mr. Shirouds, the hotel keeper, amounts to upwards of \$2,000 in jewelry, linen and other general household furniture. The ground made vacant by the fire is nearly two acres in extent. The loss including the depot house and other Railroad property, which the Sunday house and the burnt stores, may be safely estimated at \$30,000, with \$20,000 covered by insurance in various companies.

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Orion Lodge. At an election of officers of Orion Lodge, No. 67, I. O. O. F., held last night, the following were elected for the ensuing term: W. C. Farrow, N. G.; J. W. Hodges, V. G.; S. H. Fishale, R. S.; J. B. Taylor, P. S.; N. Gillican, T. The above officers will be installed on next Wednesday night, when the appointive officers will be named.

The Late Fire in Laurinburg. In addition to the account which has already appeared in our columns of the disastrous conflagration at Laurinburg, we learn from the same correspondent the following particulars: The firms of McCaskey & McLean and Bryant & Morgan, were comparatively speaking, perhaps, entirely secured. F. Fountain's loss in goods reached fully four thousand dollars, not insured, together with his books with numerous accounts. W. H. Murphy's loss reaches fully one thousand dollars. About half of this amount is covered by insurance in the North Carolina Home Company. Several companies are represented, but none are represented separately for more than about four thousand dollars. Many families lost in private property, clothing, jewelry, &c., various amounts from ten to five hundred dollars each. The loss of Mr. Shirouds, the hotel keeper, amounts to upwards of \$2,000 in jewelry, linen and other general household furniture. The ground made vacant by the fire is nearly two acres in extent. The loss including the depot house and other Railroad property, which the Sunday house and the burnt stores, may be safely estimated at \$30,000, with \$20,000 covered by insurance in various companies.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have declared a dividend of FOUR PER CENT. payable on the 10th inst. A. K. WALKER, Cashier.

Corn, Hay and Molasses. 2000 Bushels Corn, 50 Bushels New Crop Cuba Molasses, 50 Bushels S. H. Molasses. For sale by KERNER & CALDER BROS. Flour, Meal, Rice and Coffee. 500 Bushels Meal (Water Ground), 250 Bushels Meal (Water Ground), 250 Bushels Meal (Water Ground), 250 Bushels Meal (Water Ground). For sale by KERNER & CALDER BROS. Spirit Cakes, Hoop Iron, &c. 400 Spirit Cakes, 200 Hoop Iron, 200 Tons Hoop Iron, 200 Tons Hoop Iron. For sale by KERNER & CALDER BROS. 50 Bales of S. H. Sides and Shoulders, 50 Bales of S. H. Sides and Shoulders, 50 Bales of S. H. Sides and Shoulders. For sale by KERNER & CALDER BROS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MUNSON & Co.—Clothing; HARRISON & ALLEN—Hats; GREEN & FLANNERY—Shoes; FIRST NAT. BANK—See Ad; KERNER & CALDER BROS.—Sundries; HEINBERGER—New Novels; A. DANIS—Clothing; SEE AD, of Carolina Central Railway; M. M. KATZ—See Ad; W. S. F. E. Co. No. 1—Meeting.

Local Notes. —There were no cases disposed of at any of the Magistrates' Courts yesterday. —There was only one unimportant case disposed of at the Mayor's Court yesterday. —The arrangements for the tub race are progressing towards a successful completion. —The Carolina Central Railway now has sleeping cars attached to its night passenger trains. This feature was added on Monday night last. —Two colored men were yesterday arrested in the act of fighting on the porch of the City Hall, and lodged in the Guard House to await a hearing. —Dr. W. W. Lane has been awarded the contract by the U. S. Government for furnishing medical aid and attention to sick and disabled seamen at this port, for the ensuing year. —We were a little above the mark yesterday in the weight of the head of cabbage referred to. It was raised by Mr. James Dray, on the farm of Mr. Agostine, and weighs 26 1/2 lbs. It required a dray to raise it, and came very near requiring a dray to haul it. —The following was the range of the thermometer at the Signal Bureau, in this city, yesterday: 7 A. M., 78; 12 M., 86; 2 P. M., 86; 4:30 P. M., 85; 9 P. M., 77.

Unmailable Letters. The following is a list of the unmailable letters remaining in the city postoffice: Alfred Howell, Sumter; Alfred Robinson, Laurinburg, N. C.; Frank M. Kikell, Sumpter S. C.; John Judge, New York.

New Trial. In the case of Waller vs. the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, in which damages to the amount of \$5,000 was awarded the plaintiff, in the U. S. Circuit Court at Raleigh, an account of which appeared in these columns at the time, a new trial has been granted on the ground of excessive damages. —The following boats entered for the race: Addie—A. M. Waddell, Jr., coxswain; Lucie—Pembroke Jones, coxswain; Step and Fetch—H. R. Russell, coxswain; Alice—J. McR. Russell, coxswain; Kate—H. D. Burkholder, coxswain. —The Wright was expected to have entered, but owing to her being too small to carry three oars, she was withdrawn. —The boats started off in fine order at the discharge of a pistol. —The Lucie's after oarlock was split, depriving her of the use of one of the oars. —The Addie, after first starting was caused some delay on account of the proximity of the steaming Alpha, which steamer was on her way down the river. —The course was made by the boats in the following time and order: Lucie, 10:23; Addie, 11:23; Alice, 11:23; Step and Fetch, 11:38; Kate, 12. —Immediately after the close of the race a prize of \$4 was awarded to the first boat, a prize of \$2 to the second, and a prize of \$1 to the third. —Much interest having been evinced by the large number of spectators present, the young gentlemen have spoken of another race for the latter part of this or the first part of next week. —Closing Exercises. A large audience assembled at the school room of Misses Kennedy & Hart, on Third street, on Tuesday night, to witness the closing exercises of that institution. The entertainment was varied and interesting throughout. The pupils exhibited ebbidable proficiency in the rendition of their several parts, and the numerous throng assembled were highly delighted with the interesting character of the entertainment. The young lady pupils of course looked charming, and have reason to feel proud of the manner in which they acquitted themselves. The following order of exercises was observed: "Elizabeth," duet, Trovatore, by Misses Deloress and Myrta; "Prologue," Holmes, by Miss Daniel; "Fischetti," Fantasia per Piano, by Miss Lord; "Fable," La Fontaine, by Miss Jennie Atkinson—this recitation was much admired; "Girapintin," Lombardi, by Miss Dart; "Prison Scene" from King John, by Misses Emple and Wilson; "Lange," Desir d'Harmont, by Miss Myrta; "Blumental," by Miss Myrta; "Giannini," duet, Traviata, by Miss Parsley and Mr. Tamburino; "Proclamation," Bonaparte, by Miss Myrta; "Bellini," Sonnambula, by Miss Hall; "The Young Garg Head," Caroline B. Southey, by Miss Gore; "Godefrid," Ponce pour Piano, by Miss Morrison; "Early Rising," Sage, by Miss Deloress; "Godefrid," Resignation, by Miss Gabrielle Deloress; "Gabus," The Fisherman, by Misses Lord and Caldwell. —At the close of the exercises the honors and distinctions of the many deserving pupils were announced, after which the entertainment came to a close.

Superior Court. The following cases were disposed of in this Court yesterday: State vs. Calvin Boykin, for bastardy. Verdict not guilty. State vs. Henry Robinson, for larceny. By consent of defendant's counsel a juror was withdrawn and a new trial was ordered. State vs. C. H. Strode, J. W. Whitney and J. A. Ashe, for assault and battery. Verdict guilty as to Strode and Whitney and not guilty as to Ashe. State vs. Luke Brown, for assault and battery. Defendant called and failed. Judgment nisi. Suggested stolen Property. A colored man named John Owens, who keeps an eating house on Water street, between Chesnut and Princess streets, yesterday morning left at the Marshall's office a bag containing a plated silver ur engraved M. D. B., a plated silver cator, a butter dish, and a waiter of the same kind. The letters M. A. S. were engraved on the latter article. This property now awaits the owner. Owens stated that on Tuesday night a man called at his eating house and asked permission from a man whom Owens had left in charge, to leave the bag there, which was granted. The man then left, saying he would call to-day. A policeman was at once sent down to the house of Owens to await the arrival of the individual who had left the bag. He has not yet been taken, however, and has probably by this time taken the hint and will continue to keep away. —The following is a copy of a correspondence that took place yesterday: WILMINGTON, N. C., June 30th, 1875. I have been notified in a note found under my door this the 30th June 1875 as follows: To W. H. Moore J. P. Wilmington N. C. June 30th 1875, My Dear friend send six you best better leave this house, within one week or you will surely reach H—I no more. By order of the city deveys head quarters. Answer to the above note, I imply forewarn the party or parties not to come to my house at night as I do not do any business at night all of my business matters are transacted in the day time and in open day. Light I do this to let any and all persons know that if any one feels desirous of engaging me I now warn them not to come to my house by night.

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