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|  |  crew． <br> A most wonderful andatmost miraculous escape occurred at the wharf of the old Wilmington and Weldon Railroad on Mon－ day．It appears that Mr．R．G．Ross had a number of workmen engaged in extending the wharf to deep water，the water at that point being very shallow．With this view he had driven a number of pilings in a line from the wharf，cutting them off at low water mark，to which he had attached ＂stringers，＂consisting of timbers placed on top of the pilings and then secured．At the time we allude to in the outset the tide was rising and the timbers were about even with the water，while the wind was blowing quite briskly up the river，when Mr．Ross， who was superintending the work，sudden－ ly discovered the little steamer Fire－Fly passing the wharf of Messrs．Vick \＆ Mebane，which extends considerably be－ yond that of the railroad wharf，being im－ mediately below it and making directly for the obstructions，with full head of steam on and wind and tide with her．Mr．Ross， who was almost overwhelmed with con－ sternation and alarm，waved and shouted to the officers of the approaching boat，but to no purpose．The knowledge of the awful danger so near at hand had come too late to the captain and engineer for them to alter their course，and the boat sped with fearful rapidits to her apparantly certain doom， Upon her decks were a number of men． women and children，who were passengers from Smithville to this city，and as the title steamer neared the obstructions the cheeks | synopath or the proceeainge． <br> Pursuant to adjournment the Board of County Commissioners met in regular monthly meeting yesterday at 3 o＇clock P． M．；present，the Chairman，James Wilson， and Commissioners Wagner，Morris，Van－ Amringe and Nixoo． <br> J．C．Scott was substituted in place of Jas．D．Dry，as Inspector of Election in the Thira Wara，Walter Forfong in place of Nath．Jacobi in the Fourth Ward． Order presented by Dr，H．A．Noreum was referred to the Auditing Committee． Claim of Dr．D．M．Buie for making a post mortem examination was laid over until教 moalaly meeting． ton township was approved anst Wilming． that the tax collector be notified to pay the same out of any money belonging to said township． <br> The following order passed the Board： parties have not complied with the law in giving in their property for taxation， Ordered that the chatrman of the be authorized to subipcena a appear before the Board with books and papers． The on Work House was received and ordered spread on the minutes： WILMINGTON，N．C．，Aug．2， 1875. To the Hon Ohairnan a aid Board of County Commissioners of New Hanooer Co．． GENTLEMEN－We have the honor to make the following report，viz： During the last month reports having circuiated in the community，and said re－ ports having reached us，that the prisuners at the Work House were most barbarously and inhumanly treated，we repaired imme－ diately to the Work House aud found，on examination，that the contractors had re； convicto，seven of thiche bad escaped and one had been killed in sitemting to es． cape．Wealso examined all the prisoners | The Exenraion Yemterdiz． <br> Yesterday，the day appointed for the ex． cursion of the Cape Fear Light Artillery， dawned as beautiful and brightas could be expected．At an early hour the members of the two white military companies and the Concert Cornet Club arrayed in their tiandsome uniforms，might be seen in differ－ ent directions，moving towards the Armory on Second，street，from which point the pro－ cession to the buat was to start．At the ap－ pointed time，the Wilmington Light In： fantry，under compand of Capt：P．Taylor， headed by the Concert Cornet Club，marched out upon the street，where the Cape Fear Light Artilerg，under command of Capt． H．G．Flanner，fell into line and the pro－ cession moved up to Chessaut street，down Chesnut to Front，down Front to Market and down Market to the wharf，where the Light Artillery marched on board of the Steamer Waccamaro，and the Light In－ fantry and the Cornet Concert Club dis－ banded．Just here we must take occasion to remark that the members of the Cape Fear Light Artillery appeared for the first time in their new uniforms，which are of a handsome and attractive style．The excursion was the event of the day．Alarge crowd of ladies and gentlemen and many children thronged the spacious decks，and the whistle for departure was the signal for the beginning of the round of gayety and pleasure that wae kept up during the entire occasion．Musicsweet and enchant－ ing lent its charms to the scene，and this， together with the happy faces，gay uniforms and general joyousness that pervaded eve－ rything，rendered the aspect one decidedly inviting． <br> The run to Smithville was made in good time，while the dancers merrily＂tripped the light fantastic toe，＂and the happy |  |
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