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OUTLINES. United American Bricklayers' Association have petitioned for work to New York Board of Aldermen, and singularly threaten unless it is given to get by procuring admission to the penitentiary.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. W. R. COULTER—A Good Chance. D. A. SMITH & Co.—Bedsteads, &c.

LOCAL DOGS. Rough weather reported below yesterday. Warmer, with occasional light rains to-day.

The City Court will not be in session again until Monday.

The old stables in the City Hall are being torn down yesterday.

Mr. Mallard of the Statesville Landmark is on a brief business visit to our city.

The steam dredge Emma Dunn, employed at the Bar and River works below this city, came up yesterday for a supply of coal.

Collector Black leaves for Raleigh this morning, where he goes to settle with the State Treasurer. The sum to be paid in by this county is about \$35,000.

The gentleman appointed by Conference to preach at Fifth Street M. E. Church last night failing to arrive, the services were conducted by Rev. Frank H. Wood.

J. B. McPherson, Esq., Tax Collector for Pender county, leaves for Raleigh this morning for the purpose of settling the State tax for that county. The amount is about \$3,523.

We learn that Dr. Geo. G. Thomas of this city has been selected to deliver the address of welcome to the members of the Eastern Medical Association, which convenes in this city next Monday.

The Norwegian Barque Steueta, Gundersen, with a cargo of salt from Gloucester, England, is reported in below and will probably arrive to-day. Several other vessels are inside the Bar and will be up in a few days.

Our Methodist friends have had a very unpleasant time for their Conference. We would inform them that such weather is not peculiar to Wilmington, however, and they must not form a bad opinion of our city on that account.

And the temperance folks got "a drop or two too much" of the favorite beverage last night. This was a time when its influence would not cheer, and many were the disappointments among those who would have liked to hear the address of the Rev. J. N. Andrews before Mt. Olivet Council, F. of T.

The Atlantic Coast Line Journal. Is the title of a new monthly publication issued from the press of Walker, Evans & Cogswell, Charleston, and devoted to the interest of the coast line of railroads. In speaking of the different cities on the route Wilmington is alluded to as "fast becoming well known to the travelling public as a most pleasant and convenient resting place en route to Florida and the South."

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It was ordered that A. R. Elick, Tax Collector, be allowed a credit of \$1,479 89 in settlement of the State tax, the same being for abatements ordered by the Board on the State part of property tax, and that a list of such abatements be made and placed on file.

Application of A. J. Westbrook, asking for an abatement on the property of the heirs of Edward M. Pherson, deceased, and charged to Samuel Davis, agent, was laid on the table.

The Board then adjourned to meet again on Monday next, at 10 o'clock A. M., that being the occasion of the regular monthly meeting.

New Hanover's State Tax. The whole amount of State tax collected in New Hanover county for 1875 foots up about \$30,000. This includes the schedule B tax, listed tax and the school tax, which is \$2 cents on the \$100 valuation of property. This amount has been collected by Collector A. R. Black up to within \$181 14 of the amount charged to him, which is a very flattering exhibit, showing what a proper amount of energy and perseverance upon the part of himself and deputies has enabled them to accomplish even in the duldest of times.

The property advertised and bid in by the State is of course excepted in above calculation, the deeds for which, to the amount of \$1,383 90, are to be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the Tax Collector.

Messrs. Lemmerman & Coney are having their wharf between Market and Dock streets put in a state of good repair.

THE MORNING STAR.

COUNTERFEITING.

Arrest of Parties Alleged to be Implicated in the Business-Result of an Investigation Before U. S. Commissioner Cassidy—A. M. Davis and Counterfeiters, &c.

On the 23d of January last, now nearly a year ago, a colored woman by the name of Elsey Brown, who kept an eating house near Union Depot, appeared before U. S. Commissioner Cassidy and made affidavit to the effect that on the day previous Lewis T. Wood, Eli Batson and another young man (whose name we have not ascertained) called at her place and got supper, for which they afterwards tendered a ten dollar bill from which to take the sum charged, amounting in the aggregate to seventy-five cents. She could not change the money and took it to a neighboring grocery to get it broken, but the proprietor, who did not like the appearance of the bill, declined to change it.

She then returned and gave the men \$2 25, promising to raise the remainder by the time they came back, they having signified their intention of lodging at her house that night; but they never returned, and her suspicion being already aroused as to the genuineness of the bill, she showed it to other parties and the discovery was made that it was certainly a counterfeit, having been altered from a \$1 to a \$10 bill.

The necessary warrants were issued on the strength of this affidavit, and one of the parties was arrested at the time, but the testimony in his case was not deemed sufficient to convict and he was discharged. The other two succeeded in eluding the vigilance of the officers who were on the lookout for them until a few days ago, when Commissioner Cassidy got on the track of Wood, who was arrested in Onslow county and brought to this city on Wednesday night. The case was heard on Thursday and resulted in the defendant being required to give bond in the sum of \$300 for his appearance at the next term of the District Court in this city.

On the conclusion of the examination in the above case, Wood, the defendant, came forward and made affidavit to the effect that the counterfeit bill in question had been given to himself and companions by one B. J. Garrett, residing in the neighborhood of Wilmington; whereupon a warrant was issued for his arrest, placed in the hands of an officer, and the accused party was brought before the Commissioner yesterday; but the case was finally continued over until Tuesday, the 7th inst., in order that the necessary witnesses might be summoned.

This case having thus been disposed of for the present, Garrett next "claimed the floor" and made an affidavit, charging L. T. Wood and another party with passing counterfeit nickles, made of pewter and other base metals, many of which, it will be remembered, were in circulation here and elsewhere in the eastern part of the State last winter. Garrett furthermore alleged in his affidavit that quantities of this spurious coin were proffered him by Wood and his companion to dispose of on commission, but that he refused to take it. Wood was thereupon immediately re-arrested and held to bail in the sum of \$200 for his appearance before Commissioner Cassidy on Monday, the 13th instant, when probably some rare and important developments will be made.

The ten dollar counterfeit passed on the colored woman, alluded to in the outset, and which has been the indirect means of bringing to light such a chain of circumstances of importance, is apparently a very old and dilapidated affair, the counterfeit or altering of which was very clumsily executed, leaving no doubt on the minds of those who examine it of the change that had been surreptitiously made in its denominational value after it was issued.

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE.

Third Day's Proceedings of the 39th Annual Session of the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church South.

The attendance of clerical and lay delegates at the M. E. Conference at the Front Street Methodist Church, yesterday, was quite large notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

The exercises were opened promptly at 9 o'clock, Bishop McTyeire in the chair. Rev. W. H. Bobbitt offered up a fervent prayer, after which he announced the hymn "How firm a foundation," which was sung by the Conference.

The roll of the members who had not previously been present being called, the following gentlemen answered to their names: Revs. J. P. Wheeler, A. W. Mangum, A. R. Raven, J. H. Wren, H. H. Wiley, J. B. Simpson, J. H. Crisp, J. Johnson and Capt. R. R. Crawford, lay delegate from Salisbury district.

The minutes of the second day's proceedings were read, and after being amended with regard to Rev. Mr. Mahoney, who it stated was elected an elder, it appearing that he had previously attained that office, were adopted, no further objection being made.

The Bishop announced that the regular order was the disposal of the 20th question, viz: "Are all the preachers blameless in life and in official administration" with regard to Elders. This consisted in receiving the reports of the work under their charge from the several elder pastors of churches in the different districts, and the character of the several Elders being passed upon by the Presiding Elders.

This portion of the proceedings consisted of the reading of the statistics of the different pastors' charges, and was interesting as show the progress of Methodism in the N. C. Conference.

The elder pastors of churches in the several circuits designated made their reports of the work under their charge. The question was not disposed of up to the hour of adjournment.

Pending the disposal of the above question, the Rev. Dr. J. R. Wilson, of the First Presbyterian Church, came forward and was introduced to the body.

Dr. Wilson expressed himself glad to see the faces of so many who had to bear such a part in the future welfare of North Carolina.

and their institutions, but also to other Evangelical churches in the South. Perhaps it was in view of all these things that the General Conference of 1870 passed a resolution covering any case like mine that might arise. That resolution was rescinded by the General Conference in 1874 and another in a modified form was adopted. I have this to say: that I had nothing to do, by request, suggestion or otherwise with any of these proceedings; I have never desired any action to be taken by the Annual or General Conference exceptionally in my favor.

Notwithstanding all this there are members of the North Carolina Conference who seem to believe that I ought to abandon the Church of the Strangers or withdraw from the Conference. Their agitation of the case subjects me to constant annoyance of being misrepresented by good men and misrepresented by others.

I believe I am as much called of God to the office of Pastor of the Church of the Strangers as you can believe that you are called to the office of Bishop in the Southern Methodist Church. It seems to me that I should as much be leaving the lead of the Master in quitting my present work as you could think that you would be abandoning the line of duty by returning to your Annual Conference.

So long as I felt that the North Carolina Conference desired to retain me I made no motion to withdraw. In the membership of that Conference I expected to close at once my ministry and my life. But I do not believe that the Master desires me to stand in a position in which I am made by others an occasion of concern to the authorities of the Church and of trouble to the members who love me, simply that I may indulge one of my sentiments, however excellent that sentiment may be. In view of all these things through you I respectfully ask the Conference to grant me a location. I should have done this in person if the session of the Conference had not fallen at a time when the temporal and spiritual interests of the Church render my presence here more than usually needed.

This motion on my part is made without consultation with any member of the North Carolina Conference, or any other officers of the Church of the Strangers. It is done in the fear of God and in charity toward all my brethren of the North Carolina Conference. I love North Carolina. The most of my public ministry was in that State. All my children were born there. My two dead sons lie in its soil; my first-born, my young hero-martyr sleeps in the cemetery in Wilmington. God has given me many spiritual children out of the population of North Carolina. They will bear the witness to the space of twenty-four years I preached the gospel from town to town and from house to house, coveting no man's silver or gold, but generally partly and sometimes wholly maintaining myself, that I might serve the people in the ministry of the Word. I left the State no richer than I was when I entered it, except in memories and in friends. My clerical brethren will bear me witness that I have belonged to no clique, have opposed no man's capricious and selfish ambition against no good man for his injury. At the same time I have not, through self-seeking, failed to oppose frankly every measure, which I believed to be hurtful to the Church and every man whom I regarded as an ecclesiastical demagogue.

It is a comfort to know that I have enjoyed the affections and confidence of the most able and beloved of the ministers, the Brocks, the Leighs, the Bumpasses, the Honles, the Johnsons, the Pells, the Reids, the Barringers, and others now in glory, as well as those living who deserve to be named in the same category. If, through want of thought on my part, or any frailty of my temper or character, I have grieved any of you and any other, ministers and members of the Southern Methodist Church the abundant blessing of His heavenly grace, I pray for me that I may finish my course with joy and that ministry which I have received of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Affectionately and faithfully Your Brother, CHARLES F. DEEMS. The Presiding Bishop made some brief complimentary remarks regarding the work of Dr. Deems, after which Rev. E. A. Yates moved that a committee of three, consisting of Revs. W. H. Bobbitt, Ira T. Wyche and Jas. H. Wheeler, be appointed to respond to the letter of Dr. Deems, and to express the hearty sympathy of this body with him.

Dr. Deems was, by a vote of the Conference, located at the Church of the Strangers in New York City.

On motion of Rev. E. A. Yates, Rev. R. P. Bibb was placed in the supernumerary relation. Mr. Yates gave a statement of the needy condition of that minister and, with approval of the Conference, took up a collection for him, realizing in a short time one hundred and fifty dollars.

Bishop McTyeire gave some interesting particulars in relation to the method pursued by the British Wesleyan Church in regard to the supernumerary relation.

A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Third Day's Session. Conference met at 10 o'clock A. M., pursuant to adjournment, Bishop J. P. Campbell in the chair.

The religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. H. Bishop; hymn, page 884. The Bishop then addressed the Throne of Grace and read the 23d Psalm. The roll was called and the minutes of the previous session were read, which, on motion, were approved.

Question 5. What preachers are admitted or readmitted on trial? A motion was made that Robert Nichols, Daniel Sanders, Elijah Hawkins, Thomas Wood, J. E. C. Barham and J. R. Ray be admitted on trial, providing they pass their examination. The motion prevailed.

Revs. A. T. Carr and M. B. Salters, of the South Carolina Conference, were introduced to the Conference and invited to a seat in the bar.

Rev. Z. T. Peartoll was introduced to the Conference and invited to a seat in the bar. Question 6. Who shall remain on trial? Deacon McClamey and C. M. Blount were designated to remain on trial.

A motion that Anthony Smith be discontinued prevailed. Conference then adjourned, after benediction by Rev. B. W. Morris.

The Bergers.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings next the original Berger Family with Sol Smith Russell, old favorites of the Wilmington public, will give at the Opera House one of their feasts of music and humor. The Bergers are reinforced on this occasion by a number of new specialists, both ladies and gentlemen, who receive flattering encomiums wherever they appear, and we think the public may rely upon their giving an entertainment of first-rate merit.

Illness of Dr. Moran.

We are sorry to know that Rev. Dr. Moran has been suffering at his home with Capt. J. E. Leggett from an attack of vertigo for the past two days, and is unable to attend the sessions of Conference. Dr. King is in attendance and the reverend gentleman was somewhat better at the hour when we received our latest intelligence last night, with good hope of his speedy recovery.

Generous Offers.

We learn that Mr. Jas. A. Springer, dealer in coal and wood at Front and Mulberry streets, has generously offered to deliver gratis with his carts some fifty loads of the wood donated to the Ladies' Benevolent Association by Mr. J. B. Wilkinson and the Carolina Central Railway, for the poor. Col. Fremont, Superintendent of the road, has also granted valuable storage privileges, &c., in the same connection.

Range of Thermometer.

The following was the range of the thermometer at the Signal Bureau, in this city, yesterday:

7 A. M., 45; 12 M., 50; 9 P. M., 52; 4:30 P. M., 50; 9 P. M., 50; 11 P. M., 49.

Total rainfall, .75 of an inch.

CITY ITEMS.

BOOK BURNING.—The Morning Star Book Bindery does a trade of binding and selling work books, manufacturers and others. They are enduring and changeless, and will copy sharp and clear for an indefinite period of time. Having just received a fresh supply of these books, we are prepared to execute orders promptly and at moderate prices.

A farmer told us the other day that he would not be without Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup if it cost five dollars a bottle. It must be a wonderful remedy.

Spirits Turpentine

—Mr. Mills' Orphans' concert raised \$60 in the town of Herford. —A dollar store at Rocky Mount got to swindling and had to vamoose. —Joseph A. Harris is the new president of the Raleigh Typographical Union.

The daily meetings in the Second Presbyterian Church at Charlotte continue with unabated interest. —The young folks of Toisnot will tournament on Thursday, 23d of December, closing the affair with a grand coronation ball at night.

The Durham Tobacco Plant is informed that Mr. T. B. Kingsbury is making arrangements to start a paper in Durham at no distant day. —Advance: Wilson is now in the 21st year of its existence and several of the pioneers, a part of the original panel, at present reside within the corporate limits. Her population as before stated is approaching 2,500, and the city is still they come.

The Wilson Advance yesterday entered upon its sixtieth year. Able, true and devoted to the interests of its section, it deserves the success it has won and the prosperity it enjoys. The name of Capt. E. C. Woodson, late of the Raleigh News, appears at the head of its local department, and he announces his intentions and principles in his salutation. —Salisbury Watchman: One day last week a human fiend, Jim Hayden, a colored man living upon the plantation of Mr. A. H. Boyden in this county, outraged the person of his own daughter, and then fled, and up to this time has not been arrested. About two weeks ago his wife died, from the effects of a kick in the abdomen from this monster, she being in a state of pregnancy at the time. We learn further that about two years ago one of his children died under such circumstances as to lead strongly to the suspicion that he had brutally beaten it to death.

Table with 2 columns: Rate of Advertisement, Price. Includes rates for one square one day, two days, three days, four days, five days, one week, two weeks, three weeks, one month, two months, three months, six months, one year.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A Good Chance!

OFFER MY TURPENTINE FARM AND STILL, situated near this place, for sale, or I will sell an interest to a man competent to manage it. For particulars, enquire at North & South, or address the subscriber at Bracon, N. C. W. R. COULTER, dec 4-17

Bedsteads.

400 COTTAGE BEDSTEADS IN STOCK AND For Sale Low, in Lots to Suit. dec 4-17 D. A. SMITH & CO.

Comfortables.

A LARGE STOCK JUST RECEIVED AND For Sale Low. dec 4-17 D. A. SMITH & CO.

The Cheapest

ALL WOOL FLANNELS

EVER BEEN IN WILMINGTON ARE NOW OPEN AT J. & H. SAMSON'S, 43 Market Street. dec 4-17

Bibles, Prayer Books, Hymnals

HYMN BOOKS.

THE LARGEST, FINEST AND BEST ASSORTMENT of Prayer Books, Hymnals and Bibles, with and without cases, ever brought to this city. See to be found at HEINSBERGER'S, No. 87 Market Street. dec 4-17

MILLINERY.

THE UNDERSIGNED WISHES TO INFORM the ladies that she has just returned from New York, where she has been for several weeks making her Fall purchases in

Fine French Millinery,

and will be prepared in a few days to show her friends and the public generally the latest styles in FRENCH PATTERNS BONNETS AND HATS, and everything pertaining to the business. I have also a very fine selection of Fancy Goods, consisting of

Ladies' Corsets, Hoop Skirts,

POMPADOUR'S LACES, FRINGES, BUTTONS, SLIPPER PATTERNS, MOTTOS, and Frames, Linen Collars and Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, Neck Ties, Binding Belts, Switches, Braids, and the largest and cheapest stock of Zephyr Worsteds and Shetland Wool to be had in this city of Baltimore. Orders from the country solicited and attended to with promptness and care. Variety Store, 43 Market Street. oct 3-naef MRS. L. FLANAGAN.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AUCTION SALE.

Boots and Shoes. I WILL COMMENCE ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4th, at 11 o'clock, to sell out balance of Stock of Boots and Shoes,

No. 41 Market Street, SALE TO BE CONTINUED EVERY DAY UNTIL Stock is closed out.

These Shoes are from the best Manufacturers, and bought expressly for this sale. Terms cash on Delivery. S. W. DAVIS, Auctioneer. dec 4-17

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