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OUTLINES.

Charlotte Cushman died in Boston yesterday. Three men killed at Farmington (Mass.) by explosion of portable saw mill boiler. Beecher impudently challenged the angels, and even God Himself, to say aught against him.

DEATH OF CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN.

The great American actress, Charlotte Cushman, died yesterday morning in Boston. She had been suffering for years from cancer. Last week she was somewhat better, but was attacked with pneumonia, which was more than her enfeebled constitution could bear.

Miss Cushman was the greatest of American tragediennes, and one of the best interpreters of passion and sentiment on the stage in this or any other country. For several years she had principally contented herself with readings from her best roles.

BY THE LAST NORTHERN MAIL.

Gov. Hendricks starts on that Southern trip in a day or two.

Mr. Henry Watterson, of the Louisville Courier-Journal, who was reported convalescent some time ago, is still lying seriously ill at his residence in Louisville.

The chief dilemma of the Beecher Advisory Council is whether it shall hear all sides and undertake a full decision on the merits, or shall confine itself to a few questions of denominational usage.

The Adams party is growing. In fact, it has been doubled. There are two men in it now. The new recruit is the Boston Herald editor, but like his Springfield companion he shows a disposition to compromise on Bristol.

Reports from Indianapolis say that G. S. Orth, the present Minister to Austria, will be nominated by the Republican Convention for Governor of Indiana. In that event Mr. Orth will immediately resign his present office.

MOORE'S CREEK.

Change of Day of the Celebration of the Centennial of the Battle—The change made to accommodate the People of Wilmington.

By reference to the following note it will be seen that, in accordance with a very generally expressed desire on the part of our people, the management of the Moore's Creek celebration have kindly postponed the day from Saturday, which is a very busy day with our merchants and other business men, to Monday, the 28th inst., which will insure a much larger attendance from this place, including the military and band.

The celebration has been changed from Saturday, the 28th, to Monday, the 29th of February. The change has been made to suit the public convenience, and in obedience to the pressure of a patriotic public sentiment.

We are requested to call the attention of physicians to the fact that they can get a supply of fresh vaccine virus by application to the Superintendent of Health, at Mr. Munds' drug store, opposite the City Hall.

Spirits Turpentine

The Raleigh News reports \$15,000 as having been raised in that city so far for the State Fair.

On Thursday night Heineman's tobacco barn and a quantity of manufactured tobacco were burned—loss \$6,000.

J. W. Earnhardt, of Lexington, lost his store and goods by fire Wednesday night—loss \$10,000; insured for \$6,000.

The new Cross Creek Cemetery, Fayetteville, has been enclosed and laid off in squares.

Wiley Suggs, a young white man, was shot in a colored man's bar room at Charlotte, Thursday, by Henry Cook, a negro barber, after a quarrel. Wounded from a pistol shot, not dangerous. Cook, unable to give bail, went to prison.

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THE MORNING STAR.

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On Wednesday last a child of John S. Mydgett, at Parkville, aged five months, fell from its chair into the fire and was so badly burned that it died on Friday. Another caution to mothers.

At a meeting held in Raleigh Wednesday night resolutions were adopted to the effect that the merchants of Raleigh resist under the law the indictments of the Solicitor for failing to list taxes, and that they agree to assess themselves to that end.

Elizabeth City Economist: Two Camden girls received an insulting letter from a male biped who had once visited them. They said nothing, but availed themselves of an opportunity when the family was away, and invited him to see them. When seated, awaiting their entrance, they made their appearance, one with a pistol pointed, the other with a gun. They ordered a halt, made a negro man lie on the floor, and with their own fair hands, gave him such a hot jacket as he deserved.

Winston Sentinel: A most terrible calamity occurred in Stokes county on Thursday, the 10th inst. Peter Fulp, aged 77 years, the father of Joseph Fulp, who lived in a house built expressly for him by his son, in a few rods of his son's residence, and died with the family. The man had been confined to his bed for two months, and was near about helpless, and recently had had his bed laid on the floor in front of the fire, as he was afraid of falling if he laid on the bedstead. The probability best spark from the fire placed set his bed on fire.

THE CITY.

The mails will close at the City Post-Office until further notice as follows: Northern (night) mails for all points North, East and West of Weldon, daily, at 6:30 P. M. through and way (day) mails daily, except Sunday, 6:30 A. M. Mails for the N. C. Railroad, and routes supplied therefrom, at 6:30 P. M.

Southern mails for all points South, daily, at 5:30 P. M. Charleston, daily, at 5:30 A. M. Western mails (O. C. R'y) daily (except Sundays), at 6:30 P. M. Charlotte mail closes at 4:30 P. M. Fayetteville, and office at Cape Fear River, Mondays and Fridays, at 1:00 P. M. Fayetteville by O. C. R'y, daily (except Sundays), at 5:30 A. M. Onslow C. H. and intermediate offices every Friday, at 6:00 A. M. The Smithville mails, by steamboat, close at 8 A. M., daily, except Sundays. Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Bell Swamp, Supply and Shallotte, every Friday at 6 A. M.

Mails delivered from 6:30 A. M. to 7:15 P. M., and on Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M. Stamp Office open from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 2 to 5:30 P. M. Money order for Register Department open same as stamp office. Stamps for sale at general delivery when stamp office is closed. Key Boxes accessible at all hours, day and night. Mails collected from street boxes every day at 5 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. SIBBERT & Co.—Fresh meats, &c. P. M.—Watch dog for sale.

LOCAL DOGS.

Schooner Sidney C. Tyler, Barrett, hence, reached Philadelphia 16th inst.

Schooner Charlie H. Dove, Howes, cleared from Boston for this port 16th inst.

Norwegian barque Dragen, Thomassen, reached London from this port 16th inst.

Swedish brig Dielphin, Abruder, reached Darien, from this port, 9th inst.

Schooner Clara Fletcher, Sargent, sailed from Providence, 14th inst., for Orient, L. I., to load for this port.

The first brick turned out by the convicts since their removal to the new Work House were made Thursday.

Light winds, stationary pressure and temperature, with clear weather, are the predictions.

The Wilmington Presbytery will hold its next meeting at Goldsboro on Thursday before the third Sabbath in March next.

We learn that there was a cutting scrape somewhere in Brooklyn Thursday night, the particulars of which have not yet transpired.

There was considerable activity in the harbor yesterday morning, about 10 o'clock, the river being literally crowded with rafts of timber, turpentine, rosin, &c.

The box-sheet for Miss Maggie Mitchell's entertainments is now open, and the indications are that there will be a great rush, on Monday night, to see the favorite as Faschon.

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At the request of the Mayor, who is absent on business connected with the Western N. C. Railroad, the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen, which fell due on last evening, has been postponed until Wednesday, the 28th inst.

Dullness of the profoundest description pervadeth magisterial circles, and the trio of the "How" are now busily discussing the mooted question, "which had you rather do, or go a fishing?" One or two are inclined to take the latter horn of the dilemma; while another is offering to "sell out" at a slight advance on cost!

Our friend on Fifth street, who was the subject of a little squib in last Sunday's issue, requests us to say, "that had his friend on Dock street, who (he alleges) gave the information upon which the par-

graph was penned, been as zealous to get the points correctly as he has been in his zeal for collecting a rare and valuable library of books, he might have come a little nearer the mark."

Quite a number of citizens met at the Purcell House last night and had a discussion upon matters connected with the welfare of the Cape Fear Agricultural Association and its affairs, but as we are without any minutes we judge that the meeting adjourned without entering formally upon any business of public interest.

Our Physical Puzzle—The End.

In our last we presented a proposition made by "A." of this city, endorsed by the New York Scientific American, and proved and mathematically demonstrated on appeal to "Jack," of St. Louis, which proposition may be fairly stated as follows: "If two bales cotton of equal size and weight be subjected (when placed together in a press, side by side,) to a pressure of say 2,000 tons, it may be compressed to such a density (and bulk) as to weigh, say 50 pounds to each cubic foot; if this pressure be then removed and one of the bales is lifted and placed upon the other—in the same relative position to the jaws of the press that it held before—a pressure of 1,000 tons exerted upon the two bales in their new relative position will compress them to the same bulk and density as before—viz: 50 pounds per cubic foot—because the surface of the two bales in contact with the jaws of the press will now be only half as great as that in contact with them before.

Now let us see what we gain in the way of practical results. As 1,000 tons will thus compress these two bales, so in like manner would 1,000 tons equally compress any other two bales of like size and weight. We note now that our press is exerting a pressure of only 1,000 tons, whereas it is capable of exerting a pressure of 2,000 tons. To continue to work it in this way would show great lack of economy on our part. We therefore conclude to put other two bales in the same relative position to each other and to the jaws of the press as we did the first two. To give them that relative position we place them one upon the other beside the first two bales in the press. The whole power of 2,000 tons will now be very economically exerted upon these two piles of two bales each, and result in compressing all four bales to a uniform density of 50 pounds per cubic foot.

A little reflection shows that we may now lift these last two bales and place them on top of the first two, and then place four more bales in the press beside these four and our 2,000 tons will in like manner compress the eight bales to a density of 50 pounds per foot. And, O, wonder! we find that we can in like manner lift four of these, and, in fact, can pile any additional number of bales upon the first, and our press will eternally mash them all with its 2,000 tons, and its jaws smile wide for more.

To come down—if we look at the press we notice that the two bottom bales are in the same relative position as those two which at first required our entire 2,000 tons for their compression. The same is true of each succeeding couple in the pile, and we suddenly wake up from our dream of power to feel that something has exploded, and that it is not the axiom: "A part (of our power) cannot be equal to or greater than the whole," in results produced.

"Henry" is right, and "A" and "Jack" are wrong—the Scientific to the contrary notwithstanding.

A friend has suggested that "A" is right, because, "if a man weigh 200 pounds, and stand with one foot upon each of two weighing scales, he will weigh 100 pounds upon each; but if one pair of scales be lifted and placed upon the other, with the man on top, there will then be exerted a pressure of 200 pounds on the top scale, [bale] and a pressure of 200 pounds plus the weight of the top scale [bale] will rest on the lower scale [or bale.]"

Which is an exceedingly plausible suggestion. But let it be remembered that the bale is not represented by the scale. The scale takes the place of the press; the weight on the lever is the power, and the man is the bale compressed [raised] by that power. In other words, we do not use two presses. To make the comparison a fair one we would be obliged to put one press (and cotton) within the embrace of another. Our friend surely will not claim that when standing upon one scale, if he were to raise one foot he would then exert a pressure of 400 pounds, or, conversely, that if he were to exchange his number 8 shoes for number 16's, his weight would then be reduced to 100 pounds?

No. Put your man on the scale or your bales on the press in any way you please, and you cannot in any case realize a copper's worth of difference so long as the power exerted through the lever or the piston remains unchanged.

We would not advise any one to invest largely in building presses with jaws that open wide.

The density is directly proportionate to the pressure and the quantity of cotton ultimately effected by that pressure. The comparative surface in contact with the source of power has nothing to do with the question, in our opinion.

Quite a number of gentlemen, desirous of contesting the case, called at this office yesterday, but as the discussion seemed likely to encroach more upon our limited space than we had at first thought probable, we are obliged to relinquish our first intention of giving a summary of all the views presented, and to close up the affair with

the foregoing remarks, which seem to us to cover the case, and which we had already placed in the hands of the compositors before our first article appeared. We shall be open to conviction, however, upon experimental proof.

A Murderous Assault.

On Thursday night, about 8 o'clock, as a young man by the name of Jos. L. Roberts was on his way home, and when at a point somewhere between Fourth and Fifth streets, on Princess, he was met by a party who acted in a very insolent manner, walking up deliberately against him and even spitting upon him. Young Roberts asked him what he meant, and was answered by a volley of curses, followed by a blow, when the two clinched and struggled for some time. The fellow finally jumped to one side and hid himself of a sack or coat which he had round his shoulders, and which seems to have impeded his movements, when he again rushed upon young Roberts, striking him a blow in the left breast which felled him to the earth. Seeing the young man fall, the desperado took to his heels and ran up Princess street to a corner above, where he disappeared. The young man says when the fellow approached to make the second assault upon him he noticed that he ran his hand underneath his coat as if to draw a knife, and upon subsequent examination he found that he had been stricken by some sharp instrument which had cut through his thick vest, overshirt and undershirt and grazed the skin of his left breast in the region of the heart, of which fact we had ocular demonstration yesterday morning. Had more force and momentum been given to the knife, or other instrument used, the blow would have no doubt resulted fatally. The young man says that while struggling they fell over some roots on the sidewalk, and that while on the ground he managed to pass his hand over the fellow's head, by which means he ascertained that he was a colored man, the darkness preventing him from arriving at this knowledge by sight. As also says the man had a heavy set of chin whiskers, and smelt strongly of guano.

Arrival of Burglars.

Officer Carr, of Rocky Point Township, arrived here yesterday evening with two prisoners, Clem Wright and Willis Nixon, both colored, the former having been committed by Justice A. Bameberg, in default of a justified bond in the sum of \$200, on the charge of burglary, and the latter, in default of the same amount, as a State's witness. It appears that Nixon was arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the robbery of peanuts from J. B. McPherson, Esq., a full account of which appeared in the STAR a few weeks ago. Nixon, however, while emphatically protesting his own innocence, implicated Clem Wright in the robbery alluded to, upon which he (Nixon) was released on his own recognizance in the sum of \$50, for his appearance at Court. Subsequently, upon some new evidence being adduced, he was re-arrested and committed as above stated. Upon being taken into custody the second time, and given to understand that he was known to be equally guilty with his confederate, if not more so, he was asked by the officer why he tried to put it on Clem Wright. "Why," says he, "if I and another man are in the river drowning together, and I can save myself by placing my hand on his head, even if I shove him under, I have a right to do it."

Lent is Coming.

Those who observe Lent must crowd all the frolicking they propose to do soon into the next week and a half. For this reason, if none other, we shall expect to see the audiences at the entertainments to be given by Miss Maggie Mitchell, at the masked ball of the Cornet Concert Club, and at the various festivities that may be arranged to signalize the birth day of the Father of His Country, to be among the most brilliant of the season. By the way, what about a suspension of business on the 28d? The anniversary of the battle of Moore's Creek occurs on the 28th. Perhaps we cannot afford to suspend on both days, but we might choose between the two. Which shall it be? Moore's Creek seems to have an advantage in that we will not be called on to suspend again for it in the next hundred years, whereas Washington's birth day we "have always with us."

The Small-Pox.

The Superintendent of Health has been officially informed of one more case of small-pox, the victim being a man by the name of Effemy, who came here a month or two ago from Buffalo, New York, in a small skiff, which hazardous feat of navigation was alluded to in this paper at the time. The patient was immediately removed to the small-pox hospital, beyond the southern limits of the city, where he will be properly nursed and cared for. This still leaves only one case inside the city limits, so far as the Superintendent of Health has been officially informed.

Fire in the Woods.

A gentleman who came in on the Weldon train last evening, informs us that the pine timber bordering the road between this city and Magnolia was afire when the train passed, and the heat was quite severely felt by passengers. The fire extended from within about six miles of Magnolia for a distance of twenty or thirty miles. It was estimated, in the direction of this city. A good proportion of the timber seemed to have been but recently boxed for turpentine. The track is thought to be threatened at some points, but doubtless the railroad officials will ere this have placed a sufficient

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