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OUTLINES.

The House sub-committee on the Pacific Railroad have concluded their bill. Governor Grover was before the committee on Privileges and Elections...

ing off finally of the engagement of J. G. Bennett with Miss Caroline May.

"Mr. Bennett was not uncontrollable; yet he was unwilling to be guided, and he became wayward and at times reckless. The habits of the clubs witnessed scenes in which the owner of the Herald was a leading actor...

The Legislature.

SENATE. WEDNESDAY, Jan. 3. The Senate met at 10 a. m. Lieut. Gov. Jarvis in the chair.

By Senator Robins: A memorial from certain citizens of Randolph, asking for the repeal of the usury law. Referred to the committee on Banks and Currency.

By Senator Moore, of New Hanover: A resolution in favor of the working people. Calendar.

By Senator Stanford: A bill to be entitled an act to punish assaults with deadly weapons. Judiciary committee.

Bill to repeal sec. 44, chap. 65, in reference to trials in magistrates' courts, passed its second reading, and after some little debate, passed also its third reading. Ayes 38, nays 1.

A message was received from the House, announcing the passage of H. B. 134, allowing mechanics sixty days in which to file their liens. Judiciary committee.

Bill to be entitled an act for the reclamation and improvement of certain swamp lands in Duplin county, was taken up, and, upon motion of Senator Stanford, was referred to the committee on Education.

Bill to incorporate the town of Ringwood, in the county of Halifax, passed its several readings, and was ordered engrossed and sent to the House.

Upon motion of Senator Latham, the rules were suspended and the Senate took up the bill to relieve from the judgments against them the delinquent sheriffs and tax collectors who shall settle with the State Treasurer on or before the first Monday in February next, provided that they shall not be relieved from the cost of such judgment. The bill passed its several readings.

Senator Robinson moved to reconsider and lay upon the table, and the motion was adopted.

Bill to provide for the relief of the sheriff and tax collector of Brunswick was, upon motion of Senator Bingham, laid upon the table.

Resolutions in favor of the working people, introduced by Senator Moore, of New Hanover, came up and were read the second time. The resolutions were then, upon motion of Senator Boddie, referred to the Judiciary committee.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. At 11 a. m. Mr. Speaker Price called the House to order.

On motion of Mr. Jarvis the rules were suspended, and his bill for the relief of delinquent sheriffs was taken up and passed its second reading. Under a suspension of the rules the bill came up again and passed its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Swain, the rules were suspended and his resolution in regard to the relations of the two races in this State was taken up.

[The resolutions repudiate all such things as civil rights, but assure the colored people of the State that their past rights will be fully protected. The false teachings that the colored race have received from bad white men is deplored, &c.]

A debate sprang up in which Mr. Bagley, Mr. Bledsoe, and William colored, participated on the Republican side, opposing the resolutions. Mr. Pinnix, Mr. Mollwaine, and Mr. McGehee spoke on the Democratic side.

Mr. McGehee was a little surprised at the excessive sensitiveness on the subject, exhibited on the Republican side of the House. He heartily concurred in the tone and temper of the resolutions. The gentleman from Guilford (Swain) in introducing them had rightly interpreted the policy of the Democratic party of this State in this matter. He wished the resolutions to pass, for they gave to the colored man an indisputable assurance of the protection that his rights would receive at the hands of the Democratic party of the State.

The resolutions were adopted, ayes 60, nays 24, the Republicans voting nay.

On motion of Mr. Pinnix a message was sent to the Senate proposing to raise a joint select committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to wait on His Excellency, the Govern-

or, and inform him that the General Assembly is ready to receive any communication he may see fit to make.

Spirits Turpentine.

Snow slides did considerable damage at Fayetteville.

About this time look out for long letters on "County Government."

The Fair Grounds at Charlotte have been leased for a dairy farm for five years.

On January 2 the thermometer stood 22 degrees below freezing point at Fayetteville.

The Commissioners of the Western Insane Asylum have made a report to Gov. Vance.

Two colored men were drowned on January 2 in Bladen, whilst attempting to cross the river.

We are glad to learn that Col. Fremont was but slightly injured, and will soon be able to get again.

The Legislative committee on the Western N. C. Railroad have not completed their report as yet. It will be ready next week.

News: Gov. Vance is besieged by callers, and it is a melancholy fact that he can't turn around without stumbling over a man who wants an office.

The venerable Sion Home, Esq., died in Cumberland county on January 1, aged 86. He was a soldier of the war of 1812, and was an honored pensioner.

News: Greasy says he'll give the imprisoned Granville county commissioners a hearing of his own, if they desire it, but release them before their terms of imprisonment expire—never!

Raleigh Observer: The committee appointed by the different churches of our city to arrange for the observance of the week of prayer as called for by the Evangelical Alliance, will meet to-day.

Oxford Orphan's Friends: The ladies of Halifax prepared a large Christmas box for the orphans containing all manner of good things and could they have witnessed the pleasure it gave, they would have felt repaid for all trouble.

The "Jenkins" of the Raleigh Observer gives a most transporting and ecstatic account of his "investigation" into the life of a certain "gentleman."

That was a horrible condition in which Mr. George W. Jones was caught, his head and body were caught between the top of the door and the top of the omnibus as the latter was passing out.

The "conference of delegates" again met at Raleigh, and a memorial to the Legislature was adopted, and a permanent committee to secure the objects of the memorial was appointed, consisting of Kemp P. Battle, Dr. Columbus Sims, Capt. C. E. Dawson, Prof. W. C. Coker, Col. J. L. Bridgers, Gen. R. F. Hoke, and Hon. W. C. Troy.

The Raleigh News says: Temperance hasn't been worth a cent for the past week, so far as keeping a man out of the gutter is concerned. We can't hear of but one man in town who has his hand on his head and says that he is afraid of the ice, and he is a citizen who has been carrying a quart a day ever since the middle of December.

The News says this fitting tribute to Rev. Dr. Walters, whose death we have announced: "North Carolina loses one of her best and most useful citizens. As a learned and able theologian, and as the pastor of the Baptist church, a practical and skillful agriculturist and an experienced educator he had few equals and no superiors in this State."

Mr. R. F. Armfield is a man of talents and principle. In a letter to the News on county government, he gives expression to his sentiments: "In my opinion no hopes of party success, no fear of party defeat, no shrinking from the clamor that we know our adversaries will raise, can justify the Democratic party in forbearing to do that which everybody knows to be right."

News: Associate Justice Reade, of the Supreme Court bench, on yesterday was laid up with a writ of habeas corpus for the Granville county commissioners, who were imprisoned by Judge Watts for contempt. The writ is made returnable before Judge Reade, in this city, at an early day. Messrs. Merrimon, Fuller & Co. are the attorneys for the plaintiffs, and Col. L. C. Edwards for the defendants. If Judge Watts should triumph, the effect will be to seat three Democrats as commissioners of Granville.

The four men supposed to be lost at Newbern have come to hand. They spent a night of horror on the Neuse river, with a fearful death striking them in the face. Four colored men were seen on the river, according to the New Star, after searching the river for several hours, the four colored men discovered a flat grounded on the North side of Neuse river, just below the blockading, they climbed through the ice with their oars, they reached the unlucky flat and found on board, in a pitiable condition from cold and exposure, Sam Bell, Henderson Simmons, Nelson Larry and George Bell, all colored, and taking them on the canoe the rescuers returned with them to this city. They were conveying a cargo of shingles and wood to Newbern, when they were overcome with extreme numbness and could no longer use their poles.

Mr. Frank Ivy, a young man, was assaulted by three negroes on last Tuesday evening in Waverly county. He received one blow from a stick before he could draw his pistol. He fired three shots and thinks one negro was hit. He was riding along the road at the time, the Goldsboro Messengers say. The three negroes were seen suspiciously on one side of the road, and soon one of them sprang towards him with a club, crying out, "Hail, you d—d scoundrel, and dismount," at the same time aiming a deadly blow at Mr. Ivy's head. He dodged the blow, and fled at the stick, made a quick side dash, and the blow fell only on Ivy's left arm. The negro and both of his associates then called for a second assault, but by this time Mr. Ivy had sprang up towards the scene, and Mr. Ivy had also succeeded in bringing his pistol in action, and this put the negroes to stampede.

Never give up the ship. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup may cure you, as it has done others. It costs little, and can never harm. Price 25 cents.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. CHAS. GEYER—Stray hog. MUNSON & Co.—Plaid cassimere suits. PETTWAY & SCHULKEN—Butter, turkeys, &c.

Local Notes. Nothing doing in magisterial or police circles yesterday.

There was more skating near Hilton and at Mosquito Hall yesterday.

Yesterday was decidedly the pleasantest day we have had hereabouts in weeks.

Both Turner's (N. C.) and Miller's (S. C.) Almanacs predict cold rains for to-day.

The new Standard Keeper, Mr. D. C. Davis, has opened his office opposite the Court House; in the rooms formerly occupied by Justice VanAmringe.

Falling barometer, increasing northeast to southeast winds, warmer, threatening and rainy weather, are the indications for this section to-day.

Parties coming down the North-east branch of the Cape Fear during the past two or three days, report having encountered numbers of floating masses of ice drifting with the current. Just to think of "icebergs" in this latitude!

The members of the Wilmington Light Infantry and Cornet Concert Club are urgently requested to call at the armory and get their blankets to-day, between 10 and 11 o'clock, and are hereby notified that the committee will be no longer responsible for them.

An impostor as well as Thief—Look Out for Him. The stranger upon whom suspicion rested of having robbed Sheriff Paddison of Pender county on Wednesday night last, an account of which appeared in our paper yesterday morning, and who, by the way, gave his name as W. R. Carter, stated to his landlady, it will be remembered, that he was in the employ of the telegraph company and had been sent down here to fix up the wires. We learn from Mr. Angel, the manager of the telegraph office here, that the fellow was an impostor, there being no such man in the employ of the company here. It fact that there has been no occasion for the services of any one to fix the wires outside of the force regularly employed here for that purpose, and that it has never been the custom to send men here to do that work. This same man, as we have seen in our paper, seems to be a tramp, was arrested at Goldsboro recently, we hear, for some misdemeanor committed there. He has not been seen here since the night of the robbery of Sheriff Paddison, and was no doubt the party guilty of the theft.

Will Prosecute Them. Boys and others on hunting expeditions have been in the habit, for a year or two past, of using the cable boxes, placed at either end of the railroad bridge between Hilton and Meares' Bluff, as targets, shooting the boxes to pieces and breaking the connections of the telegraph wires. During this time the management of the telegraph office here has found it necessary, time and again, to send a party out there to replace the cable boxes and readjust the connections. The annoyance still continues, and has arrived at a point where "forbearance ceases to be a virtue," in the opinion of Mr. Angel, the manager, who now assures us that he has taken steps to detect the perpetrators of such injury upon the property of the company hereafter, and will prosecute them, when discovered, to the utmost extent of the law. Those who have been in the habit of trying the "shot-gun policy" on the innocent cable-boxes will do well to remember this fact the next time they are tempted to repeat the experiment.

That Monster Fish Hunt. Mr. A. C. Huggins, writing us from Jacksonville, Onslow county, under date of January 2d, confirms the statement published in our last issue in regard to the great number of fish recently taken from the river near that point. He says: "A great number has taken place among the trout in New River. The river shore below this place is lined with them. The lowest estimate I have heard is that there have been two hundred thousand caught up to-day, and carts and wagons are still hauling them off in large quantities. Nothing has ever been seen like it here before. People have more than they want, and do not know what to do with them. I send you this as a matter of news."

Those who indulged the idea that our statement was a "little fishy" will now change their opinion, and confess that they were guilty of a "scaly trick."

Mayor's Court. The only case before Mayor Canaday's Court yesterday morning was that of Robert Shaw, colored, charged with the larceny of a pair of pants, the property of Messrs. Sol. Bear & Bros., on Thursday afternoon, an account of whose detection and arrest was given in our issue of yesterday morning. Defendant was found guilty, and ordered to give bond in the sum of \$50 for his appearance at the approaching term of the Superior Court.

Wagon Accidents. We learn from a gentleman who passed Thursday night on board of the steamer North East, which was lying near the foot of Dock street, that the Cape Fear was frozen entirely across during the night, the ice breaking up about daylight. This is the first time such an event has happened since 1857.

The following officers of Campbell Ecampment No. 1, were installed last night by P. C. P. James M. McGowan, installing officer, assisted by P. C. P. A. W. L. Smith, Sr., J. C. Koch, and Marcus Bear: C. P.—W. H. Straus, H. P.—J. L. Keen, S. W.—Benj. Bell, W.—James W. Jackson, Jr., Scribe—Geo. H. Kelley, T.—W. L. Smith, O. S.—C. Schullken, I. S.—R. S. Townsend, Guide—Jas. M. McGowan, 1st Watch—Jno. O. Koch, 2nd Watch—M. Bear, 3rd Watch—S. H. Fishblade, 4th Watch—J. L. Dudley, Guard of Tent—W. J. Yozp, William Goodman.

Knights of Pythias. At the regular meeting of Germania Lodge No. 4, K. of P., held Thursday night, the following newly elected and appointed officers were installed by D. D. G. C., F. W. Ortman, assisted by P. C. John Har, Jr.: S. P. C.—John Lafrenz, C. C.—John Meyer, V. G.—E. Kokowakey, F.—A. Wehrhahn, M. of E.—A. Deumelandt, M. of F.—W. H. Gerken, K. of R.—S. J. W. Gerda, M. at A.—C. Von Kampen, I. G.—W. Genauit, O. G.—Charles Schullken.

The reports of the officers for the last term show the Lodge to be in a flourishing condition.

The Superior Court. There is a prospect that the Superior Court will have an opportunity during its coming session of spending two weeks on the civil docket: Mr. Solicitor Norment is confident of being able to get through with the criminal docket in two weeks. The number of cases to go over is much less than usual. Justice Gardner, we say, only sends nine cases from his court this term, while at the last the number was thirty-seven. It is estimated that all the magistrates combined will not send more than fifteen cases, which affords an encouraging exhibit of the morality and general good order of the community during the interval between the two terms.

The Work House Prisoners Provided for. The committee appointed under an order of the Board of County Commissioners, passed at their last meeting, in regard to the prisoners lately confined at the County Work House, have entered into a contract with Commissioner Duncan Holmes, by which he is to keep and work them free of expense to the county, he to provide a suitable guard for them while at work. Of nights they will be kept in close confinement at the old work house, near which they are to be employed in clearing and cultivating a tract of land belonging to the contractor, which is to be converted into a truck garden.

A Cure for Diphtheria. The following remedy for the cure of this frightful disease, having been deemed of sufficient importance to form the subject of a cable dispatch from London to the New York Herald, may possess all the virtues claimed for it, and is certainly worth a trial: "The medical journals report the discovery by an Italian doctor of a cure for diphtheria. It consists of the local use of chloral and glycerine, and the internal administration of chlorate of potash."

Quarantine Physician. Dr. W. G. Curtis has been appointed Quarantine Physician for this port, with residence at Smithville, in place of Dr. S. P. Wright. Dr. Curtis formerly filled the same position, and very acceptably. This appointment is one of the first fruits of good government, and is an encouraging indication that the interests of our section of the State are to be sedulously looked after.

Thermometer Record. The following will show the state of the thermometer, at the stations mentioned, at 4:35 yesterday evening, Washington mean time, as ascertained from the daily bulletin issued from the Signal Office in this city: Augusta, 48; Montgomery, 42; Charleston, 47; New Orleans, 53; Corcoran, 49; Norfolk, 57; Baltimore, 55; Savannah, 46; Jacksonville, 55; St. Marks, 48; Key West, 52; Wilmington, 41; Mobile, 48.

Personal. We learn that Gen. R. E. Colston has returned to Egypt. He has spent the last six months in Paris, under the service and care of eminent physicians, and we are glad to hear that he returns to the service of the Khedive in greatly improved health. His contract with the Egyptian government expires with this year, when he expects to pay his family and friends a visit. Unavailable Letters. The following unavailable letters remain in the post office in this city: Miss Kate Deane, New York; Edward Ridley & Sons, New York; Robert Robinson, Central Falls, R. I.; Miss Manie Armstrong, Greensboro, N. C.; J. E. Brooks, San Francisco.

Judge McKoy will hold the approaching term of the Superior Court for this county. The meeting place will be at the Court House, in the city, on the first day of the term, which is the first day of the term, when Judge Buxton, of the Fifth District, will preside in place of Judge McKoy.

RIVER AND MARINE AFFAIRS.

The water is gradually decreasing on the shoals between this city and Fayetteville.

The Norwegian brig Helene, Gordon, arrived at Glasgow from this port and Charleston on the 2d inst.

The steamer Lucille, Bennett, arrived at Baltimore from this port and Charleston on the 2d inst.

The steamer A. P. Hart has temporarily taken the place of the steamer North State, running between Wilmington and Fayetteville.

The steamer J. S. Underhill has now permanently taken the place of the steamer Dixie on the line between this city and Smithville, under the proprietorship of Messrs. O. G. Parsley & Co. The Dixie will be sent North.

The mails close and arrive at the City Post Office as follows: Northern through mails, 5:15 P. M. Northern through and way mails, 7:00 A. M. Mails for the N. C. Railroad, and routes supplied therefrom, at, 8:15 P. M. Southern mails for all points South, daily, 7:00 P. M. Western mails (C. C. Ry) daily (except Sunday), 6:00 A. M. Fayetteville, offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesdays and Fridays, 1:00 P. M. Fayetteville by C. C. Ry, daily (except Sundays), 6:00 A. M. Onslow, G. H. and intermediate offices every Friday, 6:00 A. M. Smithville mails, by steamer, daily (except Sundays), 3 P. M. Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, Supply, Shalotts and Little River, every Friday at, 6 A. M. Northern through mails, 12:15 P. M. Northern through and way mails, 8:15 P. M. Mails delivered from 6:00 A. M. to 7:30 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 and Register Department open same as stamp office. Stamps for sale at general delivery when stamp office is closed.

Appointments. For quarterly meetings on the Wilmington District of the Methodist E. Church South, as made by Rev. W. S. Black, Presiding Elder, for his first round of the present Conference year: Onslow, at Lebanon, Jan'y 8-7; Whiteville and Waccamaw Mission, at Whiteville, Jan. 13-14; Bladen, at Deem's Chapel, Jan. 30-31; Elizabeth, at Elizabeth, Jan. 31-30; Wilmington, at Front Street, Feb. 8-11; Smithville, at Smithville, Feb. 17-18; Topsail, at Topsail, Feb. 24-25; Coopersburg and Coharie Mission, at Hall's, Mar. 3-4; Kenansville, at Kenansville, Mar. 10-11; District Clergyman's meeting in the Lecture Room of the Front Street Church, Wilmington, at 11 o'clock, a. m., Feb. 9th.

CITY ITEMS. BOOK BINDERY.—THE MORNING STAR BOOK BINDERY does all kinds of binding and ruling in a workmanlike manner, and at reasonable prices. My cards and others needing Receipt Books, or other work, may rely on promptness in the execution of their orders.

TRANSFER PRINTING.—INVALUABLE TO MILL, ROAD COMPANIES, STEAMSHIP COMPANIES, BANKS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, AND OTHERS. They are engraved and changed, and will copy sharp and clear for an indefinite period of time. Having just received a fresh supply of these tables, we are prepared to execute orders promptly and at moderate prices.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Notice. A STRAYED HOG, or FIG-COLOR BLACK. The owner can obtain same by paying for this advertisement and costs. Call at J. C. Koch's Store, Jan 6-11. CHARLES GEYER.

Plaid Cassimere Suits, JUST IN, and only \$12.50. MUNSON & CO.

Mountain Butter & Turkeys. CHOICE HAMS AND BREAKFAST STRIPS. Bacon and Bulk Shoulders, Muttons, Blue Fish and Mackerel, Cheese, Pigs' Feet, &c. Pass and Beans to arrive. To enable us to sell at Low Figures, buyers must call on the undersigned before purchasing. Any who have not paid their accounts are requested to think of us. PETTWAY & SCHULKEN, Brokers and Commission Merchants, Second door North of Princess and Water Streets, Jan 6-11.

MONSIEUR & McNEILL, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, WILMINGTON, ROBERTSON CO., N. C. Practice in Robeson, Richmond, Bladen and Columbus counties. Prompt attention to business. Jan 6-11 Wm.

DIARIES FOR 1877, FOR SALE AT THE LOWEST PRICES. Heinsberger's.

PIANOS & ORGANS. Heinsberger's, Live Book and Music Store, Jan 6-11.

WOOD! WOOD! BLACK JACK, SPLIT OAK, SHIP LASH AND LIGHTWOOD, MIXED AND PINE WOOD, a large stock of all kinds in yard for sale long or cut up, and delivered AT THE LOWEST PRICES FOR CASH. O. G. PARSELY & CO., Corner S. Water and Orange sts. dec 17-11

MISCELLANEOUS.

For the Holidays. LADIES DRESS GOODS, AT A REDUCTION IN PRICE!

CASHMERE. BLACK LYONS SILK, various qualities, HATS, HOSIERY AND CORSETS. In all the Staple Qualities.

Will Open on Tuesday A BEAUTIFUL STOCK OF DESIRABLE GOODS. Embroidering. Two Hundred Pieces Handmade Prints, Super Red Blankets, Shawls, Paris Kid Gloves, of superior quality, for Ladies and Gentlemen.

On Hand, A Complete Stock of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods. Fancy Cashmires and Piece Goods. Also, the BEST BLACK FRENCH CLOTHS and DORSKIN. In the City, manufactured. To Order, in Good Style and at Lowest Prices. HEDRICK, dec 17-11 Wm.

CHAS. D. MYERS & Co. OFFER A FULL LINE OF TEAS. Green, Black, Japan and English Breakfast. BUT CALL ESPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE H-E-N-O MIXED TEA. CAS SOLD BY THEM ONLY.

The simple mixing of two fine Teas, Black and Green, without a proper knowledge of all their qualities, is of no advantage. This mixture of H-E-N-O IS THE RESULT OF A LONG EXPERIENCE, AND THE Different Flavors Are so blended as to produce a Fine and Pure Drinking TEA. AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICE. Try It And You Will Like It. SOLD ONLY BY CHAS. D. MYERS & Co. 5 & 7 North Front St. dec 31-11 Wm.

Sundries. 10,000 PEANUT AND COEN SACKS, 100 Bales Prime N. E. HAY, 250 Bags Rock and Drop SHOT, 400 KEGS NAILS, Boxes CHEESE, 100 Bales and Boxes CRACKERS, 100 Bales MATONES, 100 Boxes CANDLES, 200 Boxes TOBACCO, 75 Half Bbls and Boxes STUFF, 600 Bbls FLOUR, all grades, 150 Bags COFFEE, 100 Bbls SUGAR, ALSO, Laks George, Manchester and Lebanon A BREWERY, ING, Little River and Randolph YARDS, dec 17-11 Wm.

Winter Styles! HATS AND CAPS! AT LOW PRICES. HARRISON & ALLEN, 311 N. 2nd St. Wilmington, N. C. dec 17-11 Wm.

Removal. I HAVE REMOVED MY STAND TO STALL No. 9 MARKET HOUSE, where EVERY THING in the BUTCHERING LINE can be found. FINE BEEF, SAUSAGE, PORK, &c. GIVE ME A CALL. JAMES J. KING, Stall No. 9 Market House. dec 17-11 Wm.