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Table with rates of advertising: One Square per day, \$1 00; Two Squares per day, \$1 50; Three Squares per day, \$2 00...

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Best WHITE SHIRTS ARE AT MUNSON'S. ARE ALL MADE AND \$1.25 EACH.

Dooley's Yeast Powder. TO SUPERSEDE ALL OTHERS! Has been manufactured since 1858...

For Liverpool. The Nor. Barque RUTH, 100 TONS.

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Steam Tug Josephine, At Auction. BY DIRECTION OF A COMMITTEE OF THE City Council of Charleston, S. C.

Great Clearing Sale of Embroideries. ON AND AFTER MONDAY, THE 22d INST. I will offer my ENTIRE STOCK OF HAMBURG EMBROIDERIES...

W. M. F. Y. F. E. EXCHANGE CORNER. Parties who have not paid their last month's bills will please do so at once as I require money.

Select Boarding and Day School, HILLSBORO, N. C. THE THIRTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE MISSES NASH AND MISS BOYD'S SCHOOL will open on FRIDAY, February 2, 1877.

GARDEN SEED. GARDEN SEED. NEW CROP RECEIVED. For sale, Wholesale and Retail, by GREEN & PLANNER, Druggists, Market Street.

ASK YOUR GROCER FOR HE-NO TEA. POUND & HALF POUND PACKAGES.

Natural Leaf-Pure and Undiluted. BEST and PUREST TEA IMPORTED.

Only \$1 a Pound. 50 Cents for Half Pounds. TRY IT. YOU WILL LIKE IT & SAVE MONEY.

CHAS. D. MYERS & Co. WHOLESALE AGENTS. 5 & 7 North Front St. Jan 20-1877

Orders Solicited. FOR ST. LOUIS, CINCINNATI, NEW YORK, Baltimore and New Orleans.

Flour, Salt, &c. 600 sacks FLOUR, all grades. 2000 boxes SALT. 100 boxes TOBACCO.

Fresh Arrivals. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED A SUPPLY OF SWEET FLORIDA ORANGES and APPLEWALL BANANAS...

Hay, Lime, &c. Bales Eastern Hay, 2000 lbs Fresh LIME, CEMENT and PLASTER.

Deaths of Respect. The various offices in the Court House including that of the Sheriff, the Clerk of the Superior Court and the Register of Deeds, were closed yesterday as a mark of respect to the memory of Colonel Robert Strange. The office of the Superior Court Clerk was draped in mourning. The office of Justice Gardner was also closed, with crepe attached to the door knob.

Mothers, do not let your darlings suffer with the Whooping Cough, if you have a remedy so near at hand. Use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and the little sufferer will soon find relief. Price, 25 cents.

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:

Elizabeth, at Elizabeth, Jan. 27-28; Wilmington, at Front Street, Feb. 2-4; Smithville, at Zion, Feb. 10-11; Clinton, at Clinton, Feb. 17-18; Toppal, at Union, Feb. 24-25; Cokesbury and Coharie Mission, at Hall's, Mar. 1-4; Kenansville, at Kenansville, Mar. 10-11; District Stewards' meeting in the Lecture Room of the Front Street Church, Wilmington, at 11 o'clock, a. m., Feb. 5th.

The Mail. 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, 5:15 P. M.; Southern mails, 7:00 P. M.; Western mails (C. O. R.) daily (except Sunday), 6:00 A. M.; Fayetteville, and offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesday and Fridays, by C. O. R., daily (except Sundays), 6:00 A. M.; Orlow, C. H. J. and intermediate offices every Friday, 6:00 A. M.; Smithville mails, by steamboat, daily (except Sundays), 2 P. M.; Mails for May Hill, Town Creek, Supply, Shallotte and Little River, every Friday at 6 A. M.

Stamp Office open from 8 A. M. to 12 M., and from 2 to 5 P. M. Money order and 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 4:00 P. M.

CITY ITEMS. BOOK BINDING.—THE MORNING STAR BOOK BINDERY does all kinds of Binding and Ruling in a workmanlike manner, and at reasonable prices.

TRANSFER PRINTING.—Invaluable to railroad companies, steamship companies, banks, merchants, manufacturers and others. New making during and changeless, and will copy sharp and clear for an indefinite period of time.

Schenck's Pulmonic Syrup, Sea Weed Tonic and Mandrake Pills.—These deservedly celebrated and popular medicines have effected a revolution in the healing art, and secured the favor of several maxims which have for many years obstructed the progress of medical science.

DR. SCHENCK'S PULMONIC SYRUP. This medicine is a powerful expectorant, and is especially adapted for the cure of all kinds of pulmonary affections, such as Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Asthma, and Consumption.

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The Death of Col. Strange. As announced in our paper yesterday morning, at the hour of 11 o'clock of the night preceding the condition of Colonel Strange was thought to have slightly improved, but an hour later his symptoms assumed a more alarming type and he grew rapidly worse until about 2 1/2 o'clock yesterday morning, when he breathed his last.

During his brief illness a large number of anxious friends called to inquire as to his condition, showing the firm hold he had upon the affections and esteem of the community of which he had been so long an honored member.

The announcement of the death of our distinguished and universally respected fellow-citizen has cast a gloom over the community which will not soon be dispelled, for all feel that it has sustained a loss which is indeed and in truth irreparable.

The funeral will take place this afternoon, at 3 o'clock, from St. James' Church. Col. A. B. Andrews, a brother-in-law of Col. Strange, arrived last evening from Raleigh, to join in the obsequies of the mournful occasion.

Col. Strange's Death-Adjournment of Court.—Meeting of the Bar, &c. Yesterday morning, at 10 o'clock, upon the opening of the Superior Court, the sad announcement of the death of Col. Robert Strange was made, whereupon a meeting of the bar was held, and upon the suggestion of Judge Russell, Hon. Geo. Davis was called to the Chair and Maj. D. J. Devane requested to act as Secretary.

Mr. Davis, on assuming the chair, referred in eloquent and touching terms to the death of their distinguished brother of the bar.

On motion of John L. Holmes, Esq., a committee of five, consisting of D. L. Russell, W. S. Devane, J. L. Holmes, Edward Cantwell and A. T. London, was appointed to draw up suitable resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting at the great loss sustained.

On motion of M. L. London, Esq., an adjournment was then had until 10 1/2 o'clock this morning, at which hour the report of the committee will be received, after which the Court, His Honor, Judge McKoy, presiding, will convene for the purpose of hearing the resolutions of the bar and the eulogies pronounced upon the distinguished deceased, in which several members of the bar are expected to participate.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies the Court will be adjourned until to-morrow (Friday) morning at 10 o'clock.

Pressing Cotton. Messrs. Willard Bros. have in operation in the yard connected with their establishment one of the cotton and hay presses invented by Messrs. J. A. & M. H. McBride, of Richmond county, and for which Messrs. Lilly & Bro., of this city, are the agents.

It is a matter of some curiosity to see it squeezing one of the large bales of cotton to about one half of its original dimensions. The first bale put in the press weighed seven hundred and seventy pounds and it was pressed to within twenty-nine inches of the bed. It is claimed that one hand can press a bale weighing from four hundred and fifty to five hundred pounds with ease, and do it expeditiously, too.

As our city increases in importance as a cotton port the means for preparing the staple properly for shipment will also multiply.

Mayor's Court. The only cases before the Mayor's Court yesterday morning were those of two parties charged with selling spirituous liquors on Sunday, three for selling the same without a license, and one for discharging firearms within the city limits, all of which were appropriately disposed of.

The cases of David Brown and Dick Gause, charged with stealing cotton, were continued over until this morning.

Thermometer Record. The following will show the state of the thermometer, at the stations mentioned, at 4:55 yesterday evening, Washington mean time, as ascertained from the daily bulletin issued from the Signal Office in this city:

Table with thermometer records: At Chest., 50; Montgomery, 50; Charleston, 52; New Orleans, 51; Corsicana, 51; Norfolk, 51; Galveston, 49; Punta Rassa, 49; Indianola, 53; Savannah, 54; Jacksonville, 53; St. Marks, 54; Key West, 55; Wilmington, 49; Mobile, 53.

His Partner. A colored man by the name of Bolden was arrested yesterday morning for complicity in the alleged cotton stealing for which David Brown was arrested on Tuesday. He claims to be the owner of the boat in which the cotton was found. Both cases will come up for a hearing this morning.

RIVER AND MARINE ITEMS. — There are indications of quite a heavy freshet in the river above this point. — The Onas, McWilliams, sailed from Liverpool for this port on the 9th inst. — The steamship Lucile, Bennett, cleared from Baltimore for this port on the 22d inst. — We learn also a considerable number of the vessels in below went to sea yesterday.

— The steamship Tanager, Wakely, cleared from New York for this port on the 22d inst. — The Norwegian barque Duz, Henrikson, arrived at Bristol from this port on the 21st inst. — A cable dispatch from Liverpool announces the arrival at that port of the German brig Adonia, from Wilmington, with loss of her master and part of her deck load.

Unamiable Letters. The following unamiable letters remain in the post office in this city: Mrs. Mary T. McDane, New York; Miss Maggie Brooks, Gainesville, Fla.; Patrick Rodgers, Rocky Point, N. C.; John R. Tew, Fayetteville, N. C.

since. As a man and merchant he was of the highest order. He was also an active member and officer of the Presbyterian Church, and his loss will be severely felt.

— Archibald Ireland killed William Cahoon at Jones' Bay, Pamlico county, on last Saturday, by striking him on the head. The Newbern News says: "Ireland, after inflicting the murderous blow, walked to his house where he remained unmolested until next day, when a party of citizens proceeded to make his arrest. On seeing their approach, Ireland rushed from the house and made his escape in a small canoe, which he had evidently prepared for the occasion. A very unfortunate feature of the occurrence is, that the two men are the husbands of sisters."

— The Southern Home learns from the Newbern Spectator of 1885 that the "cold Saturday" was February 7th of that year. But the Home also states, on the authority of Mr. Cyrus Stinson, of Mecklenburg, that it was the latter part of January. He says the February spell was not equal to the January cold snap. The Spectator paper reports several deaths from freezing, and the January a very remarkable letter from the keeper of the Newbern jail. He said that he attempted to put the key into the lock of a cell in which there were five prisoners confined, but it could not enter because the breath of the prisoners had frozen in the lock and formed a lump of ice, which had first to be removed. The data here given afford something of a guide to the date of the cold in this section. It must have been many degrees colder here than in Newbern. Mr. A. K. Saville, of Steel Creek, tells us that on the "cold Saturday," he threw up some frozen water from a cup, and that it was frozen by the time it struck the ground.

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Spirits Turpentine. — Rev. N. B. Cobb has removed to Lilesville. — Col. Fremont has recovered from his fall, and is in Raleigh.

— Bishop Gibbons, after officiating at Charlotte, left for New Orleans. — Six negroes were foiled in an attempt to escape from the Monroe jail last week.

— Rev. J. A. Mundy, of Virginia, has been offered the pastorate of the Baptist church at Warrenton. — Wm. Gall Brown has just completed an excellent portrait of Lieut. Gov. Jarvis. He is a great artist.

— One hundred and twenty-six failures reported among North Carolina merchants in 1776—liabilities \$994,918. — Mr. Thomas Webb, of Hillsboro, is still at the point of death from paralysis. There is but little hope of his recovery.

The Pee Dee Courier has changed its name to the New York. It can be written P. D. B. or short. Success. — The Charlotte Observer says that Mr. James H. Pool takes charge of the local and business department of the Statesville Landmark.

— Some scoundrel endeavored to throw off the train to Morehead by placing obstructions on the track, but they were discovered in time to prevent the accident. — Some scoundrel, near Milton, played the ghost so effectively that Mr. Haythe and his young wife were scared away from home, when the ghost burned the house.

— About time now for another person to be heard from who is 114 years old. Only four persons recorded thus far in the State papers who are or were over one hundred. Hurry up or 1876 will be lost. — The Monroe Enquirer says J. M. Curlee has found a chest near W. S. M.'s old store, in Jackson township, which measures twenty-seven feet six inches in circumference, eighteen inches from the top of the ground. Next.

— One member of the Penitentiary Board has in his possession fifty-three petitions for positions in that institution. Should all the others have a like number, they will have two hundred and sixty-five of these documents to consider. Who would be a public officer! — The Biblical Recorder by indorsing the New York Sun does injustice to Dr. Deems. It ought now to publish Rev. Dr. Crosby's reply to the Sun, in which he says Dr. Deems is known among the ministers of New York as one of the most charitable and active in good works. Fiat justitia, &c., you know brother Huffman, or as Bill Arr' would say, "Tote fair."

— Charlotte Observer: The new Catholic church at Greensboro was formally dedicated on Sunday in the manner and with the ceremonies usually observed by the church. Rt. Rev. James Gibbons, of Richmond, was present, and conducted the ceremonies, assisted by Fathers Gross and White, of Wilmington, and Father Wolfe, who has charge of the Catholic College in Gaston. The building is a very handsome one.

— New York Journal of Commerce: Many of our New York merchants will regret to hear of the death of Samuel R. Fowler, of the firm of Samuel R. Fowler & Son, of Washington, N. C., which took place on the 13th. He was a native of Massachusetts, but went South in early life, beginning business there over fifty years

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every sense of the word the model of a christian gentleman. The future opened up before him positions most gratifying to a laudable ambition, positions which he would have eminently adorned, and in which he would have reflected credit upon the State, but, alas for human expectations, these hopes, these expectations have suddenly been blasted. While arguing a case before the court on Tuesday, in apparently full health and vigor, the summons came, and he was called from the presence of an earthly judge to a higher and more awful tribunal, to appear before that Judge from whose decision there is no appeal.

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By Last Night's Mail. THE COMPROMISE BILL. [Special to the Richmond Whig.] WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.

Two very striking speeches were made in Congress yesterday. One was by Mr. Tucker, in the House of Representatives, in which he discussed the electoral question with great ability, and gave his support to the pending compromise bill.

In the Senate Mr. Conkling's speech was rewarded with such an audience as any man might well be proud of. The galleries, the floor, and the body of the chamber were all crowded. Mr. Conkling, who is on all questions one of the best lawyers and debaters in the body, spoke to-day with unusual force and animation. Despite ill health the speech was one of the very ablest of his life.

The impudent claim set up for the President of the Senate to count and decide the presidential vote was the principal point to which Mr. C. addressed himself, and this claim he crushed with irrefragable logic. Mr. Conkling sits near to Messrs. Morton and Sherman, and gave them the full benefit of what he had to say, as if challenging them to grapple with his position, if they could. He was unable, from physical exhaustion, to complete his speech, and will finish to-day.

Messrs. Bayard, Thurman, and Morton are also to speak, and doubtless there will be others. Mr. Edmunds announces that he will to-morrow propose to sit the bill out till he can get a vote, owing to the shortness of time before the time of the count. This is clearly the policy of the friends of the bill. The chief danger of the measure lies in having a set of long speeches by its advocates, which would furnish a ready excuse to their opponents for pursuing dilatory tactics.

[Special to the Richmond Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, Jan. 23. It is rumored and believed that strenuous efforts are being privately brought to bear upon Justices Strong and Miller to induce them to decline in advance to serve upon the electoral tribunal, with the hope of impeding the passage of the bill by making amendments necessary.

Forty-five Representatives have notified Speaker Randall that they wish to speak on the bill, but many of them will be cut off by parliamentary tactics.

The Legislature. [Raleigh News report condensed.] SENATE. TUESDAY, Jan. 23, 1877.

Mr. Troy introduced a resolution providing for a committee of three from the Senate and four from the House, to which shall be referred the questions in regard to the University treated of in the message of the Governor.

The Chair made the following references of those portions of the Governor's message mentioned below: That part in reference to the State debt was referred to the committee on State Debt; that part in relation to agriculture to the committee on Agriculture; that part in relation to the Western North Carolina railroad to the committee on Internal Improvements; that portion in relation to pisciculture to the special committee provided for by Mr. Troy's resolution.

Mr. Folk moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to allot and distribute the judicial powers of the State was passed yesterday, and the reconsideration being had, the bill was, upon motion of Mr. Folk, re-committed to the Judiciary committee.

CALENDAR. The morning hour having expired, the calendar was taken up, and Mr. Dortch moved a suspension of the rules in order that the bill in relation to Wayne Superior Court, introduced by himself, might be put upon its readings. [It authorizes the judge of the 3rd judicial district to hold the January term of this court.] The course indicated was pursued, and the bill passed its readings, and

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