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OUTLINES. Messrs. Chas. O'Connor and Merrick have charge of the Florida case for the Democrats, and Trumbull and Carpenter, of Louisiana, and Merrick and Woodley of Oregon.

The Legislature. (Raleigh Observer's Report Condensed.) SENATE. SATURDAY, Feb. 3. Upon motion of Mr. Johnston the rules were suspended, and the bill transferring that portion of the Western North Carolina Railroad, between Warm Spring and the Tennessee line, to the Morristown branch of the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, was taken up.

By Last Night's Mail.

From Washington. [Special to the Richmond Star.] WASHINGTON, Feb. 3, 2:30 P. M.

The whole morning was occupied in discussion between O'Connor, Everts and Black. After recess the first argument was by Merrick, who was followed by Black. Both of these speeches were very fine and logical, making excellent impressions.

What Hayes Says. NEW YORK, Feb. 4. A special from Cincinnati says that Colonel F. C. Campbell, a prominent lawyer of this city and a personal friend of Governor Hayes, visited Columbus yesterday, and while there had a brief interview with the Republican Presidential candidate.

Mardi Gras in New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 4. At a meeting of the business men of this city, last evening, at the Union Square Hotel, seventy-two leading firms were represented, and have agreed to take part in the coming Mardi Gras Carnival, which will take place on Easter Monday.

The President Calls upon Mr. Stephens. [Special to the N. Y. Herald.] WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.

The President did a graceful thing this afternoon in calling upon Alexander H. Stephens, who still lies dangerously ill at the National Hotel, in this city. The last days of Mr. Stephens—for there is very little prospect that he will recover from his present illness—are watched by Mrs. Coleman, who is the daughter of John J. Crittenden, Kentucky's famous Senator.

After the salutation and exchange of courtesies which the occasion suggested, Mr. Stephens inquired particularly for Mrs. Grant, and then the conversation which was very brief turned upon the interesting and absorbing political topic of the time.

There are 190 young ladies in the Salem Seminary. — Millard Yawberry, white, escaped from Asheville jail. — Bishop Lyman will deliver a series of lectures at Raleigh. — Goldsboro raised by an entertainment \$70 for the Oxford orphans.

The Warrenton Centennial ceased with its last issue. It completed its first volume. — Two persons have been stricken with paralysis at Salem—Mrs. Hine and Mr. C. Sides. — The Charlotte Observer compliments Col. E. A. Osborne's address before the Cadets. — What has become of the Tarboro Southern? We trust D. B. has not gone into winter quarters. — Henry K. Burgwyn, formerly of Northampton county, N. C., died in Richmond, Va., on the 3d instant. — A white man in Mecklenburg knocked a negro man on the head with an axe. The negro will probably die. — Miss Alice Knop, aged 15, was burnt to death in Catawba county on January 27th, from her dress taking fire. — We are glad to be reminded that the Raleigh Observer is innocent of the "Abby House and Joe Medina nuisance." — Monroe Enquirer: We believe that North Carolina has more newspaper changes than any other State in the Union. — A leading lawyer of Raleigh, in a business letter, thus refers to our pa-

per: "I congratulate you and the Wilmington public on the great improvement in the STAR."

— Maria Grant, an aged colored woman in Northampton county, was fatally burnt a few days ago by falling in the fire. — The New North State is informed that the person referred to did not write the article. "So your 'smartness' is lost. There now.

Mr. J. D. Carroll, of Duplin county, and his five sons, together weigh in all 1200 pounds, and measure thirty-seven and a half feet. — Cleveland Banner: There are a great many men about Raleigh who want to go to the penitentiary—as officials with a salary attached. — Senator Mebane has introduced a bill "to provide for an Inferior Court in the several counties in the State, to be entitled 'Court of Common Pleas.'"

It appears that the resignation of Solicitor J. C. L. Harris will render further investigation concerning his impeachment unnecessary and save the State fully \$35,000. — Forty-seven new Granges have been organized in this State the past year, making five hundred and forty-eight, with a total membership of about seventeen thousand. — The regular annual session of the North Carolina State Grange Patrons of Husbandry will assemble in the city of Goldsboro on Tuesday next. A large attendance is expected. — Raleigh Sentinel: A correspondent writes that in a trip of three weeks in the counties of Wake, Franklin, Warren and Halifax, he did not find a single opposition to taxing the dogs. — The Raleigh Sentinel says the Second North Carolina Regiment turned out four judges since the war: Judges Byrum, Hilliard, Faircloth and Cox—two Supreme and two Circuit Judges. — The Raleigh News thinks the Legislature should pass a law to protect the partridges, and states that up to the 15th of January 50,000 of these birds had been shipped, chiefly from High Point, Greensboro and Company Shops. — Charlotte Democrat: We learn that Mr. Thos. H. Gaither has sold to A. R. Homesly & Co., of the Stovesville Cotton Factory, located on the Catawba river, about fifteen miles from this city. The price paid was about \$30,000. — Goldsboro Messenger: Last Thursday night some God-fearing villain made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the corner-store of St. Stephen's (Episcopal) Church, in this place, of the box and contents supposed to be deposited there. — Piedmont Press: We learn that a row occurred at "Bronce town" near the Lincoln county line last week, in which one young man was cut in the arm, and an artery being severed he came very near bleeding to death before medical assistance could be had. — Raleigh Observer: Gov. Vance yesterday received a communication from a colored man, who stated that he had read his inaugural address and message to the Legislature, which so much pleased him, the colored gentleman, that he had forwarded to His Excellency a fine wild turkey gobble. The Governor replied in a proper manner by letter. — Charlotte Democrat: For the year 1876 the Auditor's report shows a return of 103,307 white polls, and 53,599 colored polls, giving an aggregate of 156,906. Yet in the same year, the 7th of November election, shows an aggregate of 228,392 votes cast. So it appears that 73,076 voters did not pay poll tax last year, and the State is defrauded to that extent. — There are three or four counties in North Carolina that are generally spelt incorrectly in the public prints. They are Cleveland, generally spelt with an e following the first e; Stanly, an e being erroneously inserted before the y, and Forsyth, an e being generally tacked on to the l. Sometimes Guilford has a second d inserted before the f—all of which is wrong. Verb. sup. — A Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer writes: "The Western Insane Asylum is an elephant on the Legislature's hands. Already \$75,000 has been sunk on it, and the walls are not above ground. All this must be lost or the building finished at a cost of \$400,000. It is true that there are nearly eight hundred lunatics in the jails of the State, awaiting provision in the asylum for their treatment, but a cheaper plan should have been adopted."

Five "blockade" wagons and teams all loaded with whiskey, brandy and tobacco, were captured in Yadkin county on last Sunday. The Salem Press says that one of the wagons, the contents of which were properly stamped, was released. The remaining four, with team and loading, were forwarded to Greensboro, on Tuesday, the headquarters of the revenue officials for this district. Two of the men were bound over in the sum of \$500 each for their appearance at the next term of the Federal Court.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. T. A. WATSON—Superior beef. BOWEN & MERRICK—Shell lime. Southern White Lead Company. MUNSON & Co.—Suitings at cost. JAS. C. STEVENSON—Turkish prunes. "P." STAR OFFICE—Money wanted.

Historical and Scientific Society. The regular monthly meeting of the Historical and Scientific Society convened at the lecture room of the First Presbyterian church last evening. The feature of the occasion was, as had been announced, the address by Edward Cantwell, Esq., on "The Colonial History of the Cape Fear Region." The address is very highly spoken of by those who had the good fortune to hear it, and we regret exceedingly not being able to present a more minute report of it, but the meeting had adjourned ere our reporter arrived, and we are only able to give the facts in brief. Appropriate resolutions were passed in regard to the deaths of Col. Robt. Strange and S. N. Martin, Esq., late members. A request from the Ladies' Benevolent Association, that Col. J. G. Burr should deliver his recent lecture for the benefit of the Association, at an early day, was read and favorably considered. On motion, it was resolved to admit two more members. The Society then adjourned.

Scaling Engine Hose. Some thief, who must have been terribly "hard-up," entered a room attached to the Adrian Engine House, on Sunday night, and stole about four feet of hose, which was cut off and carried away. Yesterday, we hear, he was attempting to sell the brass couplings which he had removed from the hose, but the parties did not recognize the thief. Such an act as this might cause in calculable damage in case of a fire.

Another Harness Hobby. The stables of Dr. W. J. Love, on Fourth, between Mulberry and Walnut streets, were entered on Sunday night and robbed of a set of harness. This makes the third robbery of this character within a week, so far as is known. A sharp look out should be kept for the thieves.

Annual Meeting. The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Wilmington Seamen's Friend Society will be held at the Bethel, this (Tuesday) evening, at 8 o'clock. All the members and citizens generally are requested to be present.

Magistrate's Court. Silas Travis, colored, was before Justice Gardner, yesterday, charged with abandonment. Defendant was found guilty and ordered to pay the costs and contribute to the Court the sum of \$3 per week for the support of his family or go to jail.

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, 63; Monticello, 57; Charleston, 55; New Orleans, 52; Corsicana, 64; Norfolk, 43; Galveston, 63; Punta Rasa, 51; Indianola, 63; Savannah, 54; Jacksonville, 61; St. Marks, 66; Key West, 73; Wilmington, 47; Mobile, 55.

More Thievery. A colored woman, who went into the store of Mr. H. H. Bloom, corner of Fifth and Chesnut streets, on Saturday night, while there were a number of customers present, seized the opportunity to carry off three quart measures, two of which contained potatoes and one onions. The loss of the contents was not material, but the stealing of the measures necessitates the purchasing of an entire set to replace them. The thief was not recognized.

RIVER AND MARINE ITEMS. — The J. H. Kennedy, Hickman, cleared from Savannah for this port on the 30th ult. — The steamship Raleigh, Oliver, cleared from Baltimore for this port on the 2nd inst. — The Norwegian barque St. Olaf, Hassel, arrived at Bristol from this port on the 2nd inst. — The schr. Henry P. Havens, Pierce, arrived at Brunswick, Ga., from this port on the 29th ult. — The German barque Dr. Laska, De Boer, arrived at Rotterdam from this port on the 1st inst. — The Norwegian barque Lloyd, Captain Jacobson, was reported in below yesterday, awaiting orders. The Lloyd is a new vessel, just built, this being her first voyage, and she comes direct from Norway to this port, where she is consigned to Mr. R. E. Heide, Vice Consul for Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

It may save your life, for it cures your cold and cough. Dr. E. B. Schenck's Syrup. Buy it. Try it. It never fails. Costs only 25 cents a bottle.

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

No DANGER need be apprehended from an attack of Pneumonia, severe Coughs, Consumption, and various other Throat and Lung diseases, or even Croup and Whooping Cough among your children when SCHENCK'S GREAT SYRUP can be obtained for any Druggist in the United States. Only 75 cents per bottle. It is a great blessing for our people to know that they can obtain this preparation in Baltimore. Sample bottle 10 cts.

Two hundred and five (205) coupons, valued at \$15 each in gold, amounting to three thousand and seventy-five (\$3,075) dollars, having been paid, were burned in presence of all the Commissioners. The Board then adjourned.

Determined Effort of a Prisoner to Escape—Exciting Chase and Recapture. While an officer was engaged in obeying an order of the Mayor, yesterday morning, to bring the prisoner Alonzo Elvi before him, and while going through the passage on the way to the Court room, the prisoner suddenly gave a leap, disengaging himself from the clutches of the officer, and started off at full speed. Getting outside of the hall, he ran in the direction of Princess street, turning the corner and going up towards Fourth street. Being barefooted and having the advantage of a very strong inclination to accelerate his movements, visions of a long confinement within the walls of the penitentiary loomed up before him, he was making excellent time and would in all probability have left his pursuers behind, but for the fact that just as he had rounded the corner of Third and Princess streets he found himself nearly face to face with Emanuel Nichols, the colored janitor at the Court House, who, as Elvi was passing him full tilt, placed one foot in front of the fugitive and dexterously tripped him up, sending his heels flying high in the air, and before the prisoner could recover himself the pursuing officers were upon him and he was secured. Upon finding himself recaptured, Elvi remarked that he was not guilty of the crime wherewith he was charged, upon which he was asked why, if that was the case, he had made such a determined effort to run away. His reply was, "In such times as these it is every man for himself and God for us all."

The prisoner was taken back to the Court room, when, after interviewing the Mayor, he was carried below and placed in close confinement in a cell, there to await a hearing, when the Mayor shall be ready to call up the case. Elvi, it will be remembered, is charged with breaking into Mr. Reeves' shop and stealing his tools, &c.

THE MORNING STAR.

RATES OF ADVERTISING. One Square one day, \$1 00; two days, \$1 50; three days, \$2 00; four days, \$2 50; five days, \$3 00; one week, \$3 50; two weeks, \$6 00; three weeks, \$8 00; one month, \$12 00; two months, \$22 00; three months, \$30 00; six months, \$55 00; one year, \$100 00.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Crop Turkish Prunes, AT TEN CENTS PER LB. AT JAMES C. STEVENSON'S, Market Street, Feb 6-11

A Few Winter Suitings LEFT, WHICH WE WILL MAKE TO MEASURE AT COST. MUNSON & CO. Feb 6-11

No. 6. Superior Stall Fed Beet. No. 6. FOR THE ENSUING WEEK, AT STALL NO. 6, BEST SELECTION OF MEATS IN THE CITY, at prices to suit the times. Vessels furnished at the Lowest Cash Prices. Cash orders respectfully solicited by Feb 6-11 T. A. WATSON.

Agricultural Shell Lime. WE CAN DELIVER LIME, BY CARGO, AT \$4.50 PER TON. JOHN S. MERRICK, 75 Exchange Place, Baltimore. Feb 4-24; Wm

Annual Meeting. WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 30, 1877. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCK-HOLDERS OF THE BANK OF NEW HANOVER will be held at their Banking House in Wilmington, on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, at 11 o'clock, A. M. S. B. WALLACE, Cashier. Jan 30-12m nac Review copy.

House for Rent. THE WHOLE OR A PART OF THE House, on Walnut, between Fourth and Fifth Streets. Apply to Mrs. F. J. WISE. Feb 4-21

Members: Hibernian Benevolent Ass'n. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO MEET at my Office, next door to the Court House, at 7 1/2 o'clock, TUESDAY EVENING, February 6th, 1877. By order of the President, D. O'CONNOR, Sec'y. Feb 4-21

GUANO.

WE ARE AGAIN OFFERING TO OUR friends and the public generally, FOR CASH, ON TIME, Or in Exchange for Cotton, next Fall, the well known and popular Commercial Fertilizer, WHANN'S

Raw Bone Super Phosphate. Terms and prices made known on application, and memorandum books and certificates furnished. Great inducements offered to parties wanting large lots. VICK & MERRICK, Agents. Feb 4-24&2m

OUR OWN MAKE Saddles and Harness, OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, Made or Repaired at

Hayden & Gerhardt's, Third St., between Market and Princess. Feb 4-11

Hall & Pearsall

OFFER LOW, 61 Bags RIO COFFEE, 25 Bbls REFINED SUGAR, 50 Bbls PORK, Prime and Mess, 30 Boxes BULK SIDES and SHOULDEBS. Jan 28-D&W

Seed Potatoes.

700 BARRELS EARLY ROSE, PINK EYES, and JACKSON WHITE POTATOES. VERY BEST EASTERN SEED STOCK, On vessel afloat, which we expect here by the 10th of February. For sale by BINFORD, CROW & CO. Feb 3-11D&W

It will pay parties to wait for these Potatoes, as the Stock is so Pure and Good. Feb 3-11D&W

Molasses. Molasses.

150 Bbls SUGAR HOUSE MOLASSES, 125 Bbls and Bbls NEW CROP CUBA MOLASSES, 40 Bbls NEW OIL BARS. For sale by KERCHNER & CALDER BROS. Feb 4-11

Bagging, Ties, &c.

100 Rolls and Hat Rolls "Standard" BAGGING, 100 Tons New and Pileed TIES, 500 Lbs COTTON TWINE. For sale by KERCHNER & CALDER BROS. Feb 4-11

Salt, Hay, Rice and Sugar.

2000 Bags LIVERPOOL SALT, 1000 do MARSHALL'S BLOWN, 50 Bales TIMOTHY HAY, 25 Bbls RICE, 50 Bbls SUGAR. For sale by KERCHNER & CALDER BROS. Feb 4-11

Oriental Powder.

400 Kegs Rice and Blasting POWDER, do Nos 2 and 3 Ramon Sporting do. For sale by KERCHNER & CALDER BROS. Feb 4-11

Swedes Iron,

STEEL WREDDING HOES, TRACE CHAINS, 3 Cotton Flow-Lines, Hoops Collars, Hangers, Back Bands, Chain Links, English Iron Hoop, Shovels, Spades, &c. The only complete stock of Genuine Hammered Swedes Iron in the city. Also, a large stock of Flow Steel on the way, all of which will be sold at the Lowest Prices in the Old Establishment, Hardware House of JOHN DAWSON, Feb 4-11

Granger's Friend Plow.

THIS ABOVE FLOW, WHICH IS DESTINED to be no distant day to be the LEADING FLOW in the South, is for sale at our Establishment at manufacturers' prices. Don't buy your Plows before examining the above. We will receive orders for the WATT FLOW. Feb 4-11 GILES & MURCHISON.



Every package of this Company's brand of Strictly Pure White Lead bears the following guarantee: "THE WHITE LEAD CONTAINED IN THIS PACKAGE IS GUARANTEED TO BE PURE WHITE LEAD, AND TO CONTAIN NO ADULTERATION WHATSOEVER. THE SOUTHERN WHITE LEAD CO., ST. LOUIS, MO. IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PURITY OF THE LEAD AND LINED OIL, AND IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PURITY OF THE LEAD AND LINED OIL, AND IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PURITY OF THE LEAD AND LINED OIL."