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OUTLINES.

Austria is preparing for war; the Austrian Delegation voted for the sum demanded by the government for military purposes. — England will take no part in the preliminary conference of ambassadors until Russia has given assurance that all of the treaty will be submitted to the Congress. — Russians are concentrating on the Austrian frontier. — There is no progress towards a satisfactory settlement of difficulties between England and Russia. — The Serbian corps is dissatisfied with the peace conditions; it has recaptured Vranjo. — The Danube will be officially opened on Thursday. — It is not yet settled how and when the Grand Duke Nicholas will visit the Sultan. — The embarkation of Russian troops at St. Stefano has been postponed by action of Turkey. — The English cotton manufacturers at East Lancashire have given notice of a reduction of ten per cent. of workmen's wages. — The miners in the North of England have accepted a reduction of seven and a half per cent. and the miners of Tamworth District a reduction of ten per cent. — A riot occurred at Toronto; Ross was driven from the town; two taverns were attacked and badly damaged; the police suppressed the mob; 150 rioters wounded. — Four masked men took possession of a Texan railroad train and plundered the mail; the express messenger was wounded. — More failures reported. — The hostile Indians are suffering for food. — The Senate Railroad Committee have agreed by a decided majority to report favorably on the Texas Pacific bill. — The House Judiciary Committee will report in favor of repealing the bankrupt law. — Doorkeeper Polk's case will be acted on Thursday; there is a majority and a minority report. — Sherman spoke before Finance Committee in opposition to House bill repealing resumption act. — New York markets: Money easy at 2 1/2 per cent.; gold steady at 101 1/4; cotton dull at 101 1/2 cents; flour without decided change; wheat irregular and unsettled, opened lower but closing higher; better; corn lower, closing a shade firmer, at 45 5/8 cents; spirits turpentine scarcely so firm at 30 3/4 c.; resin firm at \$1.60 @ 1.65.

A disgraceful mob has occurred at Toronto; Ross was feared. O'Donovan Rosca persisted in lecturing, and the result was a successful riot, in which some hundred and fifty persons were more or less injured, and firearms were freely used. Two taverns were assaulted and riddled, and Rosca himself took to flight and thus saved his bacon. The police behaved with the utmost rigor and courage, and finally succeeded in quelling the disturbance. They did this without calling on the British government by telegraph for the use of the army. Mr. Hayes and Governors generally will please take note.

The European outlook is not encouraging. We are constrained to say that the prospect of serious trouble ahead is good. Austria is preparing for war; Russian troops are gathering on the Austrian frontier; England has declined to even meet the ambassadors in a preliminary conference until Russia has given positive assurances that all of the treaty will be laid before the Congress; Serbia is dissatisfied with the terms of peace, and her army corps has recaptured Vranjo, whilst Russia still moves mysteriously and shows no signs of any purpose to allow England to know any more about that treaty than the Czar pleases. The atmosphere is heavy, and is charged with electricity. We will see what we will see. There is nothing new from Bismarck or Kaiser William. They will probably be heard from in due time. France is probably bidding its time, and has its eyes fastened on Alsace and Lorraine.

Spirits Turpentine.

Charlotte had an "operetta" on Monday night. — Eighteen convicts in the penitentiary have professed religion. — Mr. H. S. McPherson—Dear Henry: Please let your family hear from you directly. — The corner stone of the new Baptist Church at Monroe was laid on Wednesday of last week by the Masonic fraternity of that place. — Concord Sun: According to history, yesterday just 102 years ago, Cassabanda stood on the burning deck. The peanuts which he loved so then now sell at five cents per quart, roast. If he had a seat in such a hurry to roast his, he might now be getting the benefit of the reduced price. — The Monroe Enquirer learns that the night schedule will be adopted for mail trains on the Carolina Central Railroad, eastern division, after the 15th of April, and that only three hours will be allowed for the run between Hamlet and Charlotte, a distance of about seventy miles. — Raleigh News: On yesterday the authorities of the State penitentiary were charged from that institution Henry David negro, convicted of felony and arson, in Mecklenburg county, in May, 1876. He is about 32 years old, 5 feet 6 inches high, weight 176 lbs. His term of imprisonment expired yesterday.

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WHOLE NO. 3,311

RATES OF ADVERTISING.

One Square one day	75
" " two days	1.25
" " four days	2.00
" " six days	2.50
" " one week	3.00
" " two weeks	5.00
" " three weeks	6.50
" " four weeks	8.00
" " one month	12.00
" " three months	30.00
" " six months	55.00
" " one year	100.00

Contract Advertisements taken at proportionally low rates.
Ten lines solid Nonparel type make one square.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
D. A. SMITH & Co.—Furniture, &c.
G. R. FRENCH & Sons—Trunks, &c.
B. F. MITCHELL & Son—Timothy Hay.
JAS. H. TAYLOR—Administrator's notice.
WILLIAMS & MURCHISON—Close prices.

Local Notes.
—Shad are getting to be quite plentiful and cheap.
—To-day, according to the almanac, spring commences.
—The streets are dry and dusty and a good rain would be welcome.
—Several persons report a light frost on Monday night, both in this city and vicinity.
—We learn that the Wilmington S. F. E. Company No. 1 will celebrate their anniversary on Friday next.
—Upwards of 17,000 bushels of corn have been received here during the past day or two, a good portion of which was taken in store.
—Warm, clear or partly cloudy weather, light variable winds, mostly from the South, and nearly stationary pressure, are the indications for this section to-day.

—A Washington correspondent of the Raleigh Observer says: "The Wilmington Custom House promises to be a juicy bone of contention among the Wilmington Radicals so far."
—The only case before the Mayor's Court yesterday morning was that of Jno. King, colored, charged with interfering with the police in the discharge of their duty, who was ordered to pay a fine of \$2.50 and the costs.
—The noise made by the skaters at the City Hall last night was so great as to seriously interfere with the proceedings of the "City Fathers," in the Court Room beneath, and the Mayor was finally compelled to request the lessees to have the skating postponed until to-night.
—It is a singular fact, in connection with the remarkable winter that has just closed, that mosquitoes never entirely disappeared from our midst during the season. They were not sufficient in number to be troublesome during the winter months, but a few stragglers put in their appearance once in a while.

The Public Roads.
There has been a considerable stir in magisterial circles during the past week or two in reference to public roads in this county, or rather one or two particular roads in Cape Fear Township. A few days ago Murphy Ward, a well known colored man of Cape Fear Township, was bound over in the sum of \$50 for his appearance at Court for removing a footway erected at the instance of Mr. T. H. Williams, overseer of the road in question. Yesterday Mr. Williams was arraigned before Justice Harris on the charge of obstructing a public road in Cape Fear Township, leading to what is known as Jones' Chapel, and he was required to give bond in the sum of \$50 for his appearance at the next term of the Criminal Court; while Edward Jones, colored, was arraigned before Justice Hall, on complaint of Mr. Williams, for cutting away a footway over Nesser's Creek, being the same allegation upon which Murphy Ward was bound over, and he was required to enter into the same bond as Ward.
Reuben Petway and Ham Kelley, both colored, were also arraigned before Justice Hall on the charge of refusing to work on a public highway, and were bound over in the sum of \$50 each for their appearance at Court.

The Moffett Bell Punch.
Alderman F. W. Foster has procured one of the celebrated Moffett Bell Punches, and yesterday gave several of our business men an insight into the mysteries of the machine at the Produce Exchange. To-day, at 12 o'clock, he will again exhibit the Bell Punch at the same place and give a full explanation of the *modus operandi* by which it is worked and the large revenue secured through its agency. Wherever it has been in use the results have been more than satisfactory. In fact it has become immensely popular, not only to the public generally, but to the dealers in spirituous liquors themselves, who find in it a protection to themselves in various ways. From all accounts it is decidedly the most feasible and the most prolific in its results of any scheme that has ever yet been devised for raising revenue, and as such we look for its speedy establishment in every State in the Union. It is designed by the advocates of the Bell Punch to introduce it in Wilmington, if found practicable, and to-day those who are skeptical on the subject will have an opportunity of judging of its feasibility by being present at the Exchange at the hour designated.

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	67	Mobile	63
Charleston	68	Montgomery	69
Corsicana	68	New Orleans	69
Indianola	67	Punta Rassa	74
Galveston	67	Savannah	67
Indianola	67	Savannah	67
Jacksonville	65	St. Marks	71
Key West	74	Wilmington	63

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Abstract of Proceedings in Called Session.
The Board of Aldermen met in called session at the City Hall March 19th, 1878, at 7:30 P. M.; present, His Honor, Mayor Fublatie, and Aldermen Myers, Flanner, Bowden, Vollers, VonGlahn, Foster, King, Hill and Lowrey.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
Alderman Foster offered a resolution to the effect that after April 1st, 1878, as near as may be practicable, not less than two-thirds of the police force shall be white and not less than two-fifths of the force shall be colored; also that the force shall not be less than twenty-five, and that the Mayor shall choose from the force five men to act as health officers.
Alderman Flanner offered the following substitute:
Resolved, That the police force shall consist of the Chief of Police, two Captains, two Sergeants and twenty-five privates; the force to remain as now constituted, and the additional number to be appointed by the Mayor. The health officers, not to exceed five, shall be selected from the force by the Mayor.
Upon a call of the previous question, the substitute was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes—Aldermen Bowden, Flanner, Hill, King, Lowrey, Myers, Vollers, VonGlahn. Nays—Alderman Foster.

FOREIGN TRADE.
Letter from Col. Edward Cantwell, Wilmington, N. C., March 19. —Editor Star: A convention of exporters, and others interested in the foreign trade of the United States, was recently held at Washington City, and they adopted a Memorial to Congress and a Bill which I am requested to call your attention. The bill proposes to encourage the establishment of lines of steamers from all the Atlantic ports, or any one of them, by authorizing the Postmaster General to contract with any responsible American citizen for carrying the mails of the United States between any such port and foreign countries. The memorial prays Congress to authorize the Postmaster General to make such contracts. Copies of the memorial and bill are now being circulated in the city and throughout the country for general endorsement.
It is important that no delay shall be had in bringing this matter to the favorable attention of the North Carolina public. No measure now pending before the National Legislature, or likely to occupy our country, can compare with this one in the magnitude of the interests involved. It concerns the material interests of the whole Atlantic coast, the restoration of American commerce, and the prosperity and progress of the port of Wilmington.
The Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, of which our distinguished Representative, Hon. A. M. Waddell, is Chairman, has already endorsed the plan of subsidizing lines of American steamers by offering mileage compensation for the carriage of the mails from New York and New Orleans to Brazil, which ensures their early completion and equipment. Of course this facilitates will give an immense impetus to the commerce of those cities. The Empire of Brazil contains a population of nearly or quite twelve million of people, and consumes annually two hundred million dollars worth of foreign products and fabrics, all of which are grown or can be produced in the United States, more than two-thirds of them being most cheaply bought in the Mississippi Valley, in striking reach and distance of our central railway, and which ought to be produced here and shipped thence by Wilmington.
The total annual exports of the United States to Brazil are less than eight million of dollars. The rest of the trade that our great country goes to France, Germany and England. No wonder American commerce languishes, and our flag is superseded at our own ports and in our own waters by foreigners.
It is gratifying to see our State represented in Congress by gentlemen of large and liberal views of national interest, and the passage of the bill recommended by Col. Waddell will contribute largely to the wealth and development of the commercial and manufacturing interests of the West and North. The present affairs of us of Wilmington and this State a splendid opportunity not likely to recur soon of advancing our special interests. The plan recommended and approved by the Exporters' Convention, if adopted by Congress, will, I am advised, lead to the early establishment of a line of steamers between Wilmington and Havana, similar to that which some may recollect to have yielded such profits to one or two houses in Charleston before the war. Now the Havana steamers land only at New York. Before the war Savannah and Charleston had lines which were immensely profitable. The New York line is too long for profitable carriage by sea. The Southern route is short, direct, and less expensive, and the Wilmington route has advantages no other can offer. The steamers are ready, and we were only an intelligent and successful merchant connected with the river, bar, canal and western railroad communications, all centering at this point, and a fair opportunity of competing with New York for the West India trade, which once bestowed here, and can be regained, to make it profitable and to create for us twenty years for railroads and the river improvement, available for creating here within ten years a city worthy of the name and an honor to our State.

RIVER AND MARINERS.
—The *Duen*, for this port, sailed from Exmouth on the 2nd inst.
—The *Argo*, Schutte, arrived at London from this port on the 4th inst.
—The *Maria Sophia*, Witt, cleared for Liverpool for this port on the 3rd inst.
—The *Chatham*, Sneedeen, arrived at Hamburg from this port on the 28th ult.
—The *Providentia*, Lampe, arrived at Liverpool from this port on the 5th inst.
—The Italian barque *Pace*, sailed from Amsterdam for this port on the 15th inst.
—The German barque *Sonnabend* sailed from Charleston for this port on the 17th inst.
—The Norwegian brig *Tymo*, Lorensen, arrived at Shields from this port on the 16th inst.
—The German barque *Laura Maria*, Schoot, sailed from Amsterdam for this port on the 15th inst.

Bishop Atkinson's Appointments for His Spring Vacation of 1878.
March 17, 3rd Sunday in Lent. Oxford
March 18, 4th Sunday in Lent. St. Paul's, Gospen
March 20, 5th Sunday in Lent. Kittrell
March 21 (P. M.). Franklinton
March 24, 6th Sunday in Lent. Louisville
April 1 (P. M.). La Grange
April 3. Snow Hill
April 8. St. Paul's, Swift Creek
April 10. Pitts Co.
April 7, 5th Sunday in Lent. Greenville
April 9. Trinity Church, Beaufort Co.
April 10. St. John's, Durham Creek
April 11. South Creek
April 12. St. Paul's, Swift Creek
April 13, 6th Sunday in Lent. Newbern
April 16. Beaufort
April 18. Holy Innocents, Lenoir Co.
April 19. Kingston
April 21, Easter Day. Tarboro

The instances are frequent where persons sending two dollars addressed to M. A. Dauphin, P. O. Box 62, New Orleans, La., has received promptly in return a ticket in the grand monthly drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery Company, entitling the holder to thirty thousand dollars. The only difference is that the ticket is sent to you by the Express, and you can see it at the very moment you receive it. Write to M. A. Dauphin, P. O. Box 62, New Orleans, La., for the ticket.

TERMS MADE.
The mails close and arrive at the City Post Office as follows:
CLOSE.
Northern through mails 6:00 P. M.
Northern through and way mails 8:00 A. M.
Mails for the N. O. Railroad, and routes supplied therefrom, including A. & N. C. Railroad, at 6:00 P. M.
Southern mails for all points South, daily 6:00 P. M.
Western mails (C. R.) daily (except Sunday) 5:00 A. M.
Mail for Uherav & Darlington Railroad 10:00 A. M.
Mails for points between Florence and Charleston 10:00 A. M.
Fayetteville, and offices on Cape Fear River, Tuesdays and Fridays 1:00 P. M.
Fayetteville by Warsaw, daily (except Sundays) 6:00 A. M.
Onslow (H. H. and Intermediate offices) every Friday 6:00 A. M.
Smithville mails, by steam boat, daily (except Sundays) 2:00 P. M.
Mails for Easy Hill, Town Creek, every Friday at 3:00 P. M.
Northern through mails 11:00 A. M.
Northern through and way mails 7:30 P. M.
Southern mails 9:30 A. M.
Carrollton Central Railroad 10:00 P. M.
Steam Orives open from A. M. to 12 M., and from 3 to 5 P. M. Money order and Register Department open same as stamp office.
Stamps for sale at general delivery stamp office is closed.
Mails delivered from 6:00 A. M. to 7:00 P. M., and on Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30 A. M.
Key Boxes accessible at all hours, day and night.
Mails collected from street boxes every day at 8:30 P. M.

CITY ITEMS.
NO SUGGESTION OF ARTIFICIALITY is conveyed by the embellishments of Gorman's Olympic Cream. Its adornment is the very counterpart of nature. It gives appearance and composition. Price in Large Bottles reduced to One Dollar. For sale by J. C. Munda.

BOOK BINDER.—THE MORNING STAR Book Binder has all kinds of Binding and Ruling in a work like manner, and at reasonable prices. Books, charts and other needed Receipt Books, or other work, may rely on promptness in the execution of their orders.

MOTHERS, MOTHERS, MOTHERS, don't fail to protect Miss WILSON'S ROSEBERRY SYRUP for all diseases of teething in children. It relieves the child from pain, cures wind colic, regulates the bowels, and by giving relief and health to the child, gives rest to the mother.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Administrator's Notice.
HAYING QUALIFIED AS ADMINISTRATOR of the estate of Nellie B. McClarin, I hereby notify all persons having claims against said estate, to exhibit the same to me on or before the 30th day of March, 1878. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment to me. JAMES B. TAYLOR, Administrator.

Trunks and Valises.
We have a fine assortment of TRUNKS and HAND-BAGS at Lowest Prices. Come and examine Full Stock of BOOTS and SHOES at GEO. R. FRENCH & SONS, 39 N. Front st., Wilmington.

At Close Prices.
17,000 Bushels Prime White CORN.
250 Boxes Clear Rib and Spoked SIDES.
100 Bbls Standard MESS FLOUR.
200 Bbls Cuba and Mascovado.
400 Bbls N. O. MOLASSES.
250 Bbls SUGAR, of all grades.
1000 Bbls FLOUR, all grades.
200 Sacks COFFEE.
500 Bales Prime HAY.
200 Bbls GLUE.
50 Tons HOOP IRON.
Sacks SALT.
Also, SOAPS, CANDLES, CIGARETTES, TOBACCO, &c., &c. For sale by WILLIAMS & MURCHISON.

OFFICE BOARD AUDIT AND FINANCE.
ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the City of Wilmington (other than for Bonds and Interest) not already added, are hereby notified to present the same to the Clerk of this Board prior to 6th APRIL PROXIMO. NORWOOD GILES, Chairman.

People Marvel.
THAT IN SPITE OF THE HARD TIMES, my happiness is now nearly at an end, thanks to the "Hold up," nearly at an end!" "Yes, going to have better times!" "Over your life insured?"—exhibits a 16-inch horse pistol.
"Hello here! what's up?" "I've been heavy! Do these clothes fit? It's not this plain old furrowed one like the one you're wearing?" "In short, do I look as if I could stand it?"
"Stand what?" "The currency. I see your drift, I know. Haven't I stood four long years? And now, by the eternal gods, I stand in no longer. Proceed, your price is exact. But this is another thing; the—"

Sam Cooking Stove.
"Oh! I wish I had that all right. That's something I can understand. And so we do some things in spite of the hard times you and such read of for them."

MISCELLANEOUS.

OPERA HOUSE.
Friday and Saturday, March 22 & 23.
Saturday Matinee.
SIMMONS, Slocum and Sweetman's Singsongs, Minstrels, &c.
TICKETS TO Dress Circle 75 cts; Gallery 25 cts. No extra charge for reserved seats. Tickets for sale at HENNING'S MUSIC STORE, mh 19-21. H. E. FARMLEE, Agent.

M. CROLY, Auctioneer.
BY CROLY & MORRIS.
Donald MacRae, Alex. New Hanover County Sheriff, and others, vs. Partition of Land. Ex parte.

IN PURSUANCE OF A DECREE OF SAID COURT in the above entitled case, I will on WEDNESDAY, the tenth (10th) day of April, 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M., at Exchange Corner, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., sell the LOT OF LAND in said city, beginning in the western line of Front street, at its intersection with the northern line of Swine's Alley, and running thence northwesterly to Aaron & Rhineland, then the Lot belonging to Aaron & Rhineland, then easterly seven feet, thence southwesterly parallel with Front street to Ewan's Alley, and thence easterly with said alley to the beginning.

1878. For Spring Trade, 1878.
STRAW MATTING, RUGS, OIL CLOTHS, LOUNGES, RATTAN CHAIRS, CLOTHES HAMPERS, &c. Buyers will find our stock of FURNITURE, &c., complete, and our PRICES AS LOW as any ever were. Our stock was bought at Low Prices, and will be sold accordingly.
D. A. SMITH & Co., Furniture Dealers.

Hay, Hay, Hay.
We have just received a lot of **TIMOTHY HAY!**
both large and small size bales. For sale in quantities to suit buyers by **B. F. Mitchell & Son.** mh 21-17

New Orleans Molasses.
100 Bbls choice N. O. MOLASSES. For sale by KROENER & CALDER BROS. mh 19-17

Corn, Hay and Oats.
3000 Bush CORN, Bales PRIME TIMOTHY HAY, 200 Bush SEED OATS, 1000 For sale by KROENER & CALDER BROS. mh 19-17

Sugar, Coffee and Flour.
50 Bbls SUGAR, 200 Bags COFFEE, 800 Bbls FLOUR, For sale by KROENER & CALDER BROS. mh 19-17

Mullet, Mackerel, Lard and Herring.
50 Bbls MULLET, 100 Half Bbls and Kits MACKEREL, 50 Tierces and Tubs LARD, 100 Boxes SCALED HERRING, For sale by KROENER & CALDER BROS. mh 19-17

Forced to Sell!
CONSIGNMENTS OF NAVY and PILOT BREAD, Consignments of MOUNTAIN BUTTER, Shippers want to realize. CHAS. D. MYERS, 38 and 40 North Water street.

State of Virginia Butter
TO SELL AT HOME PRICE FOR CONSIGNORS. CHAS. D. MYERS, 38 and 40 North Water street.

"Butter that is Truly Good."
I have just received a lot of NAVY TOBACCO, which I will sell cheap. I have also received a large lot of Common CIGARS, H. BURKHIMER, No. 6 Market St. mh 17-17

JOHN DAWSON & CO.
CARRY A LARGE STOCK AND FINE ASSORTMENT of Cooper's, Turpentine, Carpenters' and Blacksmiths' Tools, of all the first class makers in fact, they have everything that is kept in a general Hardware Establishment. The same old stand, mh 17-17

ALWAYS TO BE FOUND
A COMPLETE STOCK OF SCHOOL BOOKS, Blank Books, Paper, Envelopes, Ink, Pens, Pencils, &c., &c. C. W. YATES BOOK STORE, Also, old Photographs copied and enlarged. Gallery in connection with Store. mh 17-17