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OUTLINES.

In St. Petersburg the hopes of peace strengthen daily; it is regarded as certain that Congress will meet; some fear is apprehended from the war party at Constantinople; the London Times says the prospects are more hopeful; some unpromising points remain to be settled before invitations are sent to the Powers; a Vienna dispatch gives the points of Count Schouvaloff's propositions, which are, fixing a new southern boundary for Bulgaria, Turkey to retain Batum, the Danubian fortress to be demolished, substitution of European for Russian control, and other questions to be left to the Congress. Weather in London is cold; stocks heavy and slightly depressed. Russians purchase another iron steamship in Philadelphia. A big failure in New York. General holiday in Washington. More about Sherman's trap set for Anderson. Pensacola & Gulf Steam Company organized with D. F. Sullivan, President. Gen. Antonio Maceo, Cuban leader, has arrived in New York; he gives an interesting account of the condition of affairs; he has been wounded twenty-one times.

Gov. Hampton and Gen. Robt. F. Hoke have gone to Gettysburg to participate in the celebration.

Earl Russell is dead this time. He passed away on Tuesday night at his residence at Richmond, England. The obituaries were not much too soon.

Rev. George B. Voseburgh has been examined as to poisoning his wife. He denied the charge out and out. His wife was not examined. The probability is he will be acquitted.

Mr. Alexander Stephens has given the Democrats notice "that under no circumstances would he consider himself obliged to acquiesce in a caucus decision, if it did not concur in his own views of what was right and proper."

After spending millions upon the great bridge that is to connect New York and Brooklyn, the Board of Apportionment is beginning to talk of its being a failure on account of its great height and the remoteness of termini from the banks of the river. They have also discovered that it will not be safe if ever completed. There are evidently some "wise men of Gotham" still left.

Mr. Stephens has replied in a two column letter to Mr. Clarkson N. Potter in regard to his being "howled down." He gives it as his opinion that the investigation will prove either a farce or a tragedy. We quote his two concluding paragraphs:

"Those who have, thoughtlessly, sown to the wind will reap the whirlwind. My own opinion is, as I have repeatedly stated, this affair will prove in the end either a comfortable farce or a horrible tragedy.

Whether it will lead to the Mexicanization of our Federal Republic, the result most show. But I say, as I said on another recent occasion, that all soft words instilling in the minds of the people of this country the idea that Mr. Hayes can be peacefully unseated by Congress are as deceptive and as fruitful as the whisperings of the great arch-fiend in the shape of a toad in the ear of Eve, from which sprung all our woes."

Postmaster General Key is out in a long, open letter, addressed "To the people of the South." He, too, is greatly alarmed. He sees a wooden horse, another attempt at "revolution," and the "bouncing" of Hayes & Co., including, of course, the Tennessee so-called Democrat in the Cabinet. His associations are such that he talks quite glibly of "Mexicanizing our institutions" because it is proposed to inquire into the "true inwardness" of the way in which John Sherman & Co. stole Louisiana and Florida. Let the Postmaster General be heard:

"In the dark days of February, 1877, when civil war over the disputed election was imminent, and patriots trembled for the safety of republican institutions, the Southern members of Congress averted the danger by compelling the completion of the Electoral count under the law which parties in Congress had enacted.

"But now the Representatives from the Southern States, with a very few exceptions, have joined a movement to subvert the results of their former patriotic action, and to demand the country to that anarchy from which, less than two years ago, it was saved by their efforts.

"The South must now face the most momentous crisis in its history since 1861.

"To endorse the recent conduct of their representatives, is to admit the truth of the charge that the people of the South care nothing for the welfare of the Union, desire the downfall of the Republic, and would rejoice to see it again involved in civil war.

"Key would do well to 'dry up.' This is more slanderous than when he called them 'erring brethren.'

THE MORNING STAR.

Table with columns for rates of advertising and hotel arrivals. Includes entries like 'PUBLICE HOUSE—COBB BROS. PROP'RS' and 'HOTEL ARRIVALS'.

four years unless he dies, resigns or is impeached. Such is this great lawyer's opinion. We give a brief paragraph as to Hayes's impeachment from the Philadelphia Times' interview of Judge Black:

"Can he be impeached for the fraud practiced to elect him? Certainly not. But if there was a fraud to which he consented or for which he bargained beforehand, and after he got into power he rewarded the guilt of the rascals by giving them offices, he is impeachable for that. So also is any subordinate officer who did the same thing."

The Charleston News and Courier sent a reporter to Bald Mountain, and it is really rent in twain, but there are no signs of an eruption. The reporter on the 28th writes:

"After a long and painful search we finally chanced upon the object of our quest, and found it to be a crack about one hundred yards in length, about four feet in width, of unknown depth. The crevice, which runs nearly due east and west, is parallel with and but a short distance from the brow of the precipice, which makes the southern boundary of the mountain. That it is of recent origin was plainly to be seen and is plainly proven by the freshly torn roots of the trees growing near it. Careful investigation leads me to the conclusion that the crevice merely marks the separation of a very large section of the cliff from the body of the mountain, and that the break will result, sooner or later, in a land slide, differing only in point of extent from others like it and of frequent occurrence in this locality."

From Washington. (Special to Richmond Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, May 29. HOW STEPHENS AND KEY'S LETTERS ARE REGARDED.

I asked, among others, to-day, a leading, cool-headed, influential Democratic member of Congress what he thought of these letters. Said he: "I have talked with a dozen Democratic members to-day in regard to them, and they all agreed with me that the only effect of Key's letter will be to make the people of the South think less of him that they did before. Stephens' letter may have some effect at the North, where they think he is a statesman, but will not hurt us at all at the South. The Mexicanization prediction amuses even sedate Senators."

UNGRATEFUL REPUBLICANS AFTER JUDGE ALFRED MORTON.

The Republican members of the investigating committee have sent to Syracuse for a copy of the proceedings when Judge Alfred Morton was expelled, as they allege, from the bar of that city for grave offences against law. Now this is no new charge, but one that was heralded by the Democrats to the highest places of Republicanism when Judge Alfred Morton was receiving honor and emolument at the hands of the Republican party. Conkling, as a New Yorker, knew it, and yet Morton was selected to discharge the delicate and important duties of special mail agent upon his recommendation. He did most faithful service, too, in Florida towards counting Hayes in and Tilden out, and now because he is willing to disclose what he knows in regard to this dirty business, Messrs. Hale & Co. are eager for the first time to kill him off with evidence from Syracuse.

THE POTTER INVESTIGATION. Mr. Blackburn will be chairman of the sub-committee which will go to Louisiana, and General Huntton chairman of that sent to Florida. Both are capital selections. The Florida committee expect to get away this week. The proceedings of the Potter committee, I am still inclined to believe, will be conducted in secret.

STATE POLITICS.

Gen. R. B. Vance will be re-nominated for Congress. It will be a "walk-over."

There is considerable dissatisfaction in Orange at the nominees for the Legislature.

According to the Raleigh Register five Merrimon Democrats have been nominated for the Legislature.

We suppose it is a mistake as to Col. Amis. Our information is that Col. Davis will be amply re-nominated.

A. C. Avery, of Burke, nominated for Judge in that District, and J. S. Adams, of Mitchell, nominated for Solicitor.

The Statesville American, from the list of Statesville delegates, thinks that Hon. R. F. Armistead has the inside track for Congress over Irredell county.

Raleigh Register, Rep.: There seems to be no opposition to the re-nomination of Gen. Scales for Congress in the Greensboro District. Gen. J. M. Leach has not made up his mind to be an independent candidate. With the full Republican vote Gen. Leach would certainly be elected.

Raleigh Register, Rep.: It is generally understood that Judge Cox will contest for the Congressional nomination in this District. Each county has one or more candidates who think two terms sufficient for Mr. Davis. Mr. James S. Amis, of Granville, will push hard for the nomination. Mr. Davis will probably be re-nominated.

Charlotte Observer: One of the results of the Irredell County Convention, held at Statesville last Saturday, seems to have been to have secured the nomination of Hon. R. F. Armistead for Congress.

W. G. Candler, of Buncombe, is an independent candidate for Solicitor in the Ninth Judicial District. — E. T. Clemmons is an independent candidate for the lower house of the Legislature in Buncombe county.

If you desire cheeks with roses of health upon them, if you want that peculiar brilliancy of complexion so prized by ladies and admired by everybody, if, in word, you want that perfection of physical appearance that pure blood insures, use Dr. Bull's Blood Mixture.

Spirits Turpentine.

Crops in Alamance not promising. Lieutenant Governor, Jarvis is out again.

Danbury Reporter: A negro boy, twelve years old, died within a few hours, last week, from eating hemlock root, which he mistook for sugar.

The N. C. Railroad will issue tickets to the University Commencement for one fare from the 1st to the 6th inclusive, to be good until June 11th.

In Alamance, according to the Concord Register, they are now marring the fields with dead dogs. During the day farmers use the gun, and at night strychnine.

Columbus Register: Zeb. Vance says that there hasn't been a bad meeting or any greater assembly in Charlotte for twenty-five years at which he was not expected to say something.

Concord Register: Machin, the peripatetic printer who was reported killed on the railroad some time ago, put in an appearance last Sunday. He said he didn't believe that report when he read it.

Chapel Hill Ledger: Last Friday night a fire occurred on Franklin street, opposite the residence of E. H. Wilson, Esq. The house was occupied by Nellie Stroud, an old colored woman, and the house and nearly all its contents were totally consumed.

Southern Home: Mr. Davis, mail rider from this place to Beattie's Ford and other points, informs us that the highest Tilden Elector, and seven hundred and eighty-six votes more than the average vote received by the whole Electoral College.

Rev. Barnabas Pippin, a native North Carolinian, aged 88, died in Louisiana recently. The Charlotte Observer says: Mr. Pippin was well known in South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana.

The Newbernian thus refers to the death of Capt. T. G. DeBassett: We expect the old to die, and try to be resigned when the summons come to the aged brow which has been whitened by the snows of the passing years.

Concord Star: On Tuesday evening a good and highly respected citizen was lost our town in the death of Mr. David Sather. — A young boy named Houston Overcash, living in the neighborhood of Mill Hill, was bitten on the hand by a copperhead snake Monday, and in about four hundred pounds of bacon stolen therefrom.

Polkton Argus: The smoke-house of Mr. T. J. Watkins, of this township, was broken up last night and about four hundred pounds of bacon stolen therefrom. — We learn that there is to be a paper started at Hamlet soon.

We will have to discontinue our notices of fine Granville tobacco, as so many of the farmers are realizing very high prices. The Irredell contains a column of recent sales made by one retailer only. Here are a few of the prices obtained: \$22, \$68, \$85, \$69, \$74, \$62, \$60, \$61, \$75, \$59, \$72, \$125, \$68, \$64, \$60, \$76, \$115, \$67, \$60, \$60, \$60, \$73, \$80. These are the figures for a hundred pounds of leaf tobacco.

Raleigh News: A postal note agent furnishes us the following names of offices in this State, which at first are apt to be trouble and cause mistakes. Wilson, Hertford county; Wilson, Wilson; Winston, Forsythe; Wilton, Granville; Kernersville, Forsythe; Keenewille, Mitchell; Kernersville, Duplin.

Raleigh News: His Excellency the Governor on yesterday pardoned Bedford Lee, who was convicted of the crime of highway robbery, at the spring term, 1874, of Beaufort Superior Court, and sentenced to confinement in the penitentiary for twenty years. The pardon was granted upon petition of the Judge, county officials, prosecutor, and many citizens on the ground that subsequent proof, since the trial, had established the innocence of the prisoner. The Executive clemency was also extended to James Needham, who was convicted of horse stealing, at the fall term, 1877, of Randolph Superior Court.

Our Charlotte Visitors. The mail train on the Carolina Central Railway, yesterday morning, brought down about seventy-five excursionists, composed mostly of merchants and other business men and citizens of Charlotte. They received a cordial welcome at the depot, and were then conducted to the wharf, where they embarked on the steamer Passport, which had been awaiting their arrival, and landed at the foot of Market street. They then proceeded to the Parcell House and breakfasted, after which, in accordance with previous arrangement, they took passage on the steamer Passport for Smithville and other points of interest below.

The National Memorial Celebration. The National Memorial Day was observed here yesterday with the usual spirit, especially among the colored people. The colored military formed in line on Front street, and started for the cemetery about 4 o'clock, accompanied by the Rose Band and Cape Fear Bands, the various colored schools and other organizations joining in the procession, for the formation of which, we believe, there had been no previous arrangements. The procession, however, was quite a lengthy one. The white participants in the celebration, as a general thing, rode out to the cemetery in advance of the procession, or at least independent of it.

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THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HEINBERGER—New novel. A. SHRIER—Cheap clothing. C. W. YATES—Family biblia. FESTIVAL—Children's Memorial Ass'n. MEETING—Ladies' Memorial Association.

Local News. — The picnic of Misses Burr and James' school, which came off at Hilton, is said to have been a very enjoyable affair.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Memorial Association, for the election of officers, will be held this afternoon, at 5 o'clock, at the school house of Misses Burr & James.

The delegates for Clinton left on the regular train last evening. We learn that Col. Waddell will be present at the Convention, having arrived at Warsaw Wednesday evening.

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M. L. B. Lyons, who was at the time filling the position of master machinist at the railroad shops on the west side of the river, has furnished us a list of the steamers that entered our harbor during the period that the port was under blockade at the instance of the Federal authorities while the late war was in progress. The list is complete up to October, 1864, at which time Mr. Lyons left here on the Lady Sterling, which was subsequently captured, returning here some years after the war under the name of the Cuba, when she was seized by the authorities on the charge of being a privateer, fitted out in this country to war upon the commerce of Spain in the interest of Cuba, and which is believed to have turned up afterwards in the shape of the celebrated Virginia, which was seized by the Spanish authorities and her officers and men butchered. Mr. Lyons entered the name of each steamer as she arrived upon a window facing in the shops and afterwards copied the list. The names of some six or eight were furnished to him upon his return that had arrived during his absence. The following is the list: Kate, Beauregard, Lizzie, Gordon, Nashville, Emma, Eagle, Cornelia, Giraffe, Douro, Granite City, Florida, Pet, Merrimac, Siren, Vance, Eugene, Baubee, Britanna, Ellis & Annie, Fannie, Margaret & Jessie, Phantom, Sumter, Venus, Modera Greece, Saratoga, Benigno, Virginia or Little Flora, City of Petersburg, Alice, Arabia, Victory, Dispatch, Elizabeth, Gladiator, Charleston, Hansa, Gem, Spunkie, Lucy, Don, Dee, Conradt, Antonica, Hebe, Big Scotia, Jano, Wild Darrell, Heroine, Presto, Robesay Castle, Index, Mary Annie, Fannie & Jennie, Calcedonia, Annie, Coquette, Thistle, Will o' the Wisp, Minnie, Edith, Helena, Grey Hoard, Atlanta, Young Republic, Little Scotia, Tristram Shanty, Peruvaya or Kangaroo, Lynx, Mary Celestia, Let Her B, Lillian, Floris, Badger, North-hall, Lady Sterling, Flamingo, Evelyn. Total, 88.

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We learn that there was a severe hail storm in a portion of Brunswick county on Monday afternoon, which did a great deal of damage. A gentleman from Lockwood's Ferry informs us that at Mr. Moses McKethan's plantation, seventeen miles from this city, the corn was beaten down badly, the entire crop being apparently almost ruined.

The Cadets of the Cape Fear Military Academy, under command of Major Burgess, the Principal, left for Fayetteville yesterday afternoon on the steamer Governor Work. They will go into barracks upon their arrival at Fayetteville, having carried blankets, etc., with them. They will doubtless enjoy the trip very much.

We understand that an agreement is being extensively signed by our largest up-town merchants to close at 7 o'clock during the Summer months. Others will be called upon Saturday, and it is hoped that everybody will sign the agreement and stick to it.

The German barque Malvina Schutte, Kroger, arrived at Reval from this port on the 28th inst.

The German barque Annie was reported in below yesterday. She will probably be up to-day.

The schooner Maggie Van Dusen, Taylor, cleared from Philadelphia for this port on the 27th inst.

Copy of Open Letter placed in Hands of the Duplin Delegates to the Clinton Convention.

KENANSVILLE, DUPLIN CO., N. C. May 30th, 1878.

Messrs. Dr. M. Moore, J. M. Hartzell, Dr. J. E. Mathews, G. W. Middleton, M. W. Whittington, E. T. Pigtord, S. M. Gray, Dr. R. W. Tate, Bizzle Johnson and others, Delegates to Congressional Convention from Duplin County.

Gentlemen—IF THE CONVENTION, which assembled at Kenansville on the 28th inst., to appoint Delegates to the Congressional Convention to nominate the candidate of the Democratic party for Congress in this, the 8th District, had voted by Townships according to the vote given in the gubernatorial election, as the rules adopted by the Convention required, on the Resolution recommending my name to the Convention, and the Resolution had been voted down, I should immediately have had my name withdrawn from further consideration. But as it was voted down contrary to the rules, with persons not members of the Convention voting equally with Delegates, I do not feel under obligations to withdraw until the Delegates from this county determine that it is best not to consider it further.

I desire, therefore, that the subject shall be presented to the Duplin Delegates at Clinton for them to determine whether they covetly pride prompt them to present any Duplin county name for Congress, and if any, whether mine or some other, and I shall abide their decision in good faith with pleasure. If a majority of the Delegates think my name ought to be presented, the respective Delegates voting their strength, then I respectfully request that it may be presented to the Convention; but whenever a majority of the votes of the Convention shall have been cast for any candidate opposed to me, I do not desire that my name shall be kept before the Convention longer, producing discord and dissatisfaction. This will satisfy me. Less will not. Whatever sacrifices are necessary for me to make in the interest of my beloved State I am willing to make freely, even to the extent of my life, whenever personal honor or the honor of my State demands it. Do with my name as you think best for the common good.

Very truly, Wm. A. ALLEN.

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RATES OF ADVERTISING. One square one day, 15 cts. Two days, 30 cts. Three days, 45 cts. Four days, 60 cts. Five days, 75 cts. Six days, 90 cts. One week, 1.25. Two weeks, 2.50. Three weeks, 3.75. One month, 5.00. Two months, 9.00. Three months, 12.00. Six months, 24.00. One year, 50.00.

HOTEL ARRIVALS. PUBLICE HOUSE—COBB BROS. PROP'RS. May 30—B Done, New York; K S Fioche, James King, James Breckfield, W Bryan, N T Wilson, R E Miller, Major Thomas, Bigger, C O Haynes, L W Perdue, M Samma, E H Greene, F G Wilson, W M Prather, W E Prather, W G Berryhill, F Dunham, Dr S McFee, J L Cobb, J Y Bryce, G M Murray, W A Moody, Harrison Watts, A E Gray, W R Lee, Col J G McCorkle, J O Smith, George Allen, A C Trotter, J H Widdington, W W Skankin, E Griffith, Prude Jones, C E Suratt, H C Morrow, O Tate, J P Caldwell, J H Van Ness, B N Smith, C N G Batt, J T Coleman, W E B. Jr., L Berwanger, W Kaufman, A D Quince, E Reutels, H Morris, B Nicholas, A G Gaston, Chas Wilson, B J Fuller, C A Rigler, W D Powers, R T Stokes, N P Pagram, L Davidson, W R Cochran, W T Tucker, W T Williams, T B McDowell, S W Talle, R E Field, S T Butler, H Hammon, Sidney Reading, John Griffard, A H Oreswell, Wm H Smith, J W Wilkes and son, J W McMurray, Charlotte, N C; J H Brown, Pender county; A F Powell, G W Kinsler, Greenville; G Z French, Rocky Point; Dr J W Rankin, wife, child and servant, U S A W C Coughner, Salisbury; L Lichtenstein, Monroe; R A Brady, Davidson College; T B Alexander, Hickory.

DEAD. WILDER—On the 31st inst., of cerebral apoplexy, JOHN H. WILDER, aged 88 years, and 17 years in this city.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Excursion to Smithville. Steamer J. S. Underhill, FRIDAY, MAY 31st.

MUSIC, DANCING AND ENTERTAINMENTS. Tickets 75c. Children and Servants 50c. J. W. LIPPITT, Manager.

Festival! THE YOUNG LADIES OF THE CHILDREN'S Memorial Association will hold a FESTIVAL on next Friday evening, 31st inst., in the vacant store in Evans' Block, on Princess street. The worthy and numerous friends for which the Festival will be held, it is hoped, will attract a large and liberal attendance on the entertainment.

Notice. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LADIES' MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION, for the election of officers, will be held this (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, at 5 o'clock, at the School House of Misses Burr and James, on Market street. A full attendance is requested. For further particulars apply to the Secretary, Mrs. C. D. Myers.

A New Novel of the Old Tramp Series. The Clifton Picture. A NOVEL. By the author of "The Old Tramp," "The Last Diamonds," "Harwood," &c.

A. SHRIER, Clothier. CONTINUOUS. TO SELL CHEAPER THAN ANY HOUSE IN THE STATE.

Family Bibles. ALBUMS, SCRAP BOOKS, SCHOOL AND Blank Books, Fancy Bibles, Gold Pens and Pencils, Ink, Mucilage and Glue, Pictures and Frames, &c., &c., at LOWEST PRICES.

Cotton Gin for Sale. FOR SALE, AT LESS THAN MANUFACTURER'S PRICE, A FIFTY-SAW Brown Cotton Gin.

Spring & Summer Millinery. I WOULD INVITE THE ATTENTION OF THE Ladies to my large and Elegant Stock of Millinery and Fancy Articles.

Notice! SCARBOROUGH HOUSE. WATER STREET. Between Market and Dock.

Notice! BUTTER. On consignment and for sale low by GORE & GORE.