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OUTLINES.

The House Committee on Appropriations unanimously agreed upon the Army Appropriation bill. A severe cyclone passed through Brunswick county, Va., doing great damage to property...

That fine singer, Miss Emma C. Thurbay, is to appear at Richmond on Saturday night. Wilmington would be delighted to have the "American nightingale," as the State calls her.

THE EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE. [Releigh Observer's Report Condensed.] LAST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS. MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1880. SENATE.

Bill to incorporate the town of Wake Forest College, in the county of Wake. The Senate adjourned after the usual complimentary resolutions and farewell speech-making.

Mr. Reynolds, for the joint committee to investigate the causes of the failure to sign the school bill, submitted the following report: The special joint committee, appointed under Senate resolution to investigate the causes of the failure of ratification of the school bill, would respectfully report that they have considered the same and submit the following report: That they are unable to place the blame upon any particular person or persons, and are of the opinion that no officer of the General Assembly or of this State is implicated in the cause of said failure...

By Mr. Christmas—Bill authorizing the Speakers to sign the school bill. Calendar. Bill to provide for the free passage of fish up the Cape Fear River and a number of other streams, by requiring that suitable fish ways be built at all dams or other obstructions, passed its readings. Bill to incorporate the Wilmington Telegraph Company passed its readings. Resolution to allow the Governor to employ counsel to aid in making contract with W. S. Best and others passed its readings. Mr. Ellison offered a resolution of inquiry in regard to a convict said to have been whipped to death on the University Railroad. Mr. Jones said the coroner should make an investigation. There was a responsibility resting on all officers up to the Governor of the State, but the laws of the State now covered the case fully. He therefore saw no necessity for the resolution. He had no doubt of the fact that the outrage had been committed, for it had been stated so positively. Mr. Ellison said he had introduced the resolution as a measure of protection to the convicts. He said they had no more right to whip convicts on the roads than they had to whip them in other places. This bill was not disposed of. House adjourned. So ends the extraordinary session of 1880.

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THE CITY.

Salisbury Watchman: We regret to hear that Mr. Edward Bagley got his hand badly crushed at the Cape mill, a few days since. The New Berne Nut Shell reports much damage by the frost and freeze. The potatoes and peas are cut off one half it is supposed. Joseph Ross, of Concord, sued the Richmond & Danville Railroad for being put off and recovered \$800 damages. An appeal was taken. The Salisbury Examiner has been revived by its old editor, Mr. J. J. Stewart. He is one of the best of our State editors and is making a very efficient Democratic paper. Baker'sville Republican: Over in Yancey county, not long since, Sampson Honeycutt, aged 75 years, was married to Ruth Hampton, aged 80; and on the same day James Higgins, aged 80, was married to Betsy McCracken, aged 70 years. Hickory Carolinian: Doc Miller, residing near Cayuga Mills, was knocked down one night this week while stepping out from his house. His wife came to the rescue with an axe, and his would-be assaulter fled. It is supposed robbery was their object. Raleigh Visitor: The revival at Swan Street Baptist Church is rapidly growing into a deep work of grace. At both the services on yesterday the house was filled to overflowing with eager and interested listeners. Last night over fifty persons came for prayer. Raleigh Christian Advocate: It will be remembered that we mentioned some time ago to give the correct statistics of the Friends in North Carolina. They have in the State fifty "meetings" as they call them. They have reported 4359 members—they had 425 additional last year. Moore'sville Gazette: The directors and other interested parties of the Taylorsville & Wadesboro Railroad met here yesterday. There is a fixed determination on the part of the people both above and below here, to go to work and grade a road bed as soon as the Virginia Midland shall be located to this point. Statesville Landmark: Mr. H. L. Ayers is manufacturing an excellent cigar in our midst. The Golden Bell and Blue Ridge cigarettes, manufactured by Col. Julian Allen, are hardly surpassed by any cigarettes made in the country. Concord Presbyter: stands adjourned to meet at Davidson College on Thursday, April 22nd, at 11 a. m. New Berne Nut Shell: We recognize, and with some concern, the forcible position taken by Mr. Dorch, the leader of the opposition. That gentleman, and we mean not to disparage his aims, and in our opinion, the intellectual head and front of the Assembly, and ill-deserves the thoughtless, and sometimes we fear, malignant, insinuations against his good faith. Winston Sentinel: The revival at the colored Moravian Church closed Friday night. The meeting had been in progress three weeks, and 39 professions of faith in Christ the result. It costs \$52 to get a load of salt to Winston, and it costs \$25 to get the same to Charlotte, and one hundred miles further. This is the North Carolina policy that some folks favor. Goldsboro Messenger: All of the amendments of Mr. Dorch in the Senate and Mr. Richardson in the House, to protect the State and the people, in the sale of the road, were voted down. Mr. Best had declined to accede to the amendments, and thereupon the edict had gone forth that the bill must pass as reported by the committee, and every member was to hold doubting members in the traces. Warrenton Gazette: Mr. Sam Lancaster, of Fishing Creek, had several sheep destroyed by dogs a few nights since. Served the sheep right. What business had they to be in the dog's way? Mr. K. P. Alston has invented a combination plough, which opens the rows, sows the phosphate and lists the bed at the same time. Smith Phelps has invented a cotton chopper that chops two rows at the same time and sides them up. Hillsboro Mail: There are seventy-six convicts now at work on the University Railroad. People living along the line report that the convicts are treated with great cruelty. It is said a Persian will start a silk factory at Durham. Calling the Legislature in extra session has shelved Jarvis, and Fowles seems to beseech the office more assiduously than the office seems to seek him. Now we propose to mention the name of a third man, an honest statesman, a law-abiding and Christian gentleman—Hon. Alfred A. McKoy. Charlotte Press: Here is what an old Democratic gentleman observed to us: "Turner may be crazy (I don't believe it), but d—d if he hasn't killed off Jarvis, Fowles and all others that ever got any of the ring's money. I am for Scates, McKoy or some other good man, bless you." That is the general sentiment. Hon. Alfred M. Scates (Gen. Scates) seems to be the coming man for Governor, now in Congress from the Greensboro district, a gallant officer in the late war, a man pure in thought and of unimpaired character, and consequently no connection with railroad rings. Mr. C. C. Melstrey, of this city, returning from Charlotte, reports that he had been sold a lot of cattle, had one of his pockets, on the road, relieved of \$250 by a pickpocket. It is unkind to abuse "Old Joe" with paper pellets, especially when you want to get your money and what you are abusing him for. You are just making a martyr of him. Metropolitan Hall in Raleigh would not hold the people who crowded in to hear him talk Saturday night. Goldsboro Messenger: Our Methodist friends in the Providence section in this county are taking steps to build a new house of worship. It affords us pleasure to be able to announce that Mr. Erasmus Edwards has recovered \$450 of the money stolen from his safe last week, and the burglars are now in jail. They are three negroes, viz: Alex. Rush, Joseph Hardy and Geo. Cox. A colored boy, about 12 years old, accidently shot himself on Tuesday last week, in Sampson, near the residence of Col. L. A. Powell. It seems that he had used the gun to shoot a hawk, and on putting it back in the cart the gun went off and a portion of its contents took effect in the boy's bowels. He died two hours afterwards. The inferior Court closed its labors on Friday, after a good week's work. The docket numbered 88 cases. These are to go to the penitentiary, viz: Geo. Purvis, two years; John Johnson, three years; and Martha Williams, one year. The cold snap of last week did considerable damage to the pea crop in this section. Another batch of ex-convicts left here for Indiana on last Wednesday night. The spring term of Wayne Superior Court convenes on Monday, April 5th. THE MORNING STAR can always be had at the following places in the city: The Purcell House, Harris' News Stand, and the City Office.

Opera House. Performance for the Benefit of St. John's Church. A most agreeable and charming entertainment, consisting of tableaux, readings, acting, vocal and instrumental music, etc., was given at the Opera House last night, for the benefit of St. John's Episcopal church. Quite a large audience was in attendance. The entertainment was in every respect a great success, reflecting much credit on those who devised, and so happily carried out, the project. The tableaux were all good and very clearly expressed the ideas intended to be conveyed. Mrs. Kahnweiler sang several songs delightfully, and was always compelled to respond to enthusiastic ecstasies. She has seldom used her brilliant vocal powers to better advantage, and the applause fully attested how highly her efforts were appreciated. Mr. Berry Gleaves read two very happy selections distinctly and forcibly, and greatly pleased all who heard him. No piece on the programme was more favorably received than Mr. George Myers' song, "The Fine Old Irish Gentleman." Being persistently encored he sang another humorous song, and was for the second time compelled to reappear amid a storm of applause. The Sextette Club rendered several choice selections splendidly and added much to the evening's enjoyment. The cornet duet of Messrs. James Wilson and D. B. Mitchell was excellent and was loudly applauded. The proverb "There's many a slip between the cup and the lip" was very cleverly enacted by Misses Annie Parsley and Jennie Brink and Messrs. H. F. Clark, W. P. Toomer and Berry Gleaves. The performance concluded with a grand collection of wax-work a la Mrs. Jarley. All the figures were well conceived, and much amusement was created as one by one they were wound up and commenced to display their several peculiarities.

Larceny of Money. Shade Bannerman, a colored man hailing from Pender county, was arrested yesterday for stealing five dollars in money from a one-legged colored shoemaker, living on the corner of Eighth and Nixon streets, by the name of Daniel Hall. It seems that Bannerman has been stopping for a few days with Hall, and yesterday morning he asked the loan of Hall's boot and herring net, saying he wanted to go fishing. The request was granted, and Bannerman left. Shortly afterwards Hall discovered that the lock of the box in which he kept his money had been picked with its contents of five dollars gone. He hurried to his boat and found the net in it, but Bannerman was not there. Hethen had a search warrant issued by Justice Hill, which was placed in the hands of Officer Richardson, who went on board of a flat at the wharf, where he discovered Bannerman, and found Hall's leather pouch, with a portion of the money in his possession. This and the goods Bannerman had purchased with the money he had spent were recovered. The case came up for a hearing before J. C. Hill, J. P., yesterday afternoon, and at the conclusion of the testimony the defendant was ordered to enter into a justified bond in the sum of \$100 for his appearance at Court, in default of which he was lodged in jail. A Finger Ring Found in the Heart of a Foetus. Mr. Elijah Hewlett, Treasurer of the county, informs us of a somewhat singular occurrence at his place in Masonboro Township on Monday last. One of his children broke open a large cooked potato, of the Hamon species, and discovered a silver finger ring imbedded in the very heart of the potato. How it got there is the question. It is thought that the "slip" first grew through the centre of the ring and then closed around it as it grew to perfection. As soon as the discovery became known the rest of Mr. Hewlett's children wanted to prosecute a thorough investigation among all the potatoes on the plantation to see if more rings could not be found. Thermometer Record. The following will show the state of the thermometer, at the stations mentioned, at 4.31 yesterday evening, Washington mean time, as ascertained from the daily bulletin issued from the Signal Office in this city: Atlanta, 60; Jacksonville, 60; Augusta, 60; Key West, 73; Charleston, 67; Mobile, 69; Charlotte, 64; Montgomery, 68; Corinth, 68; New Orleans, 66; Galveston, 73; Punta Rasa, 71; Havana, 75; Savannah, 67; Indianapolis, 71; Wilmington, 63.

A New Way to Beat Jack Frost. One night during the late cold snap a farmer in the neighborhood of Rocky Point, Pender county, is reported to have passed the entire night in walking through his patch of green peas, carrying a lantern in one hand and waving a huge lightwood torch with the other, his object being to keep off the frost. Whether he succeeded or failed in his laudable endeavor our informant cannot say. Died of his Injuries. William Samuels, the colored man who was so badly crushed at the depot Monday afternoon, an account of which appeared in yesterday's paper, died of his injuries the same night. A inquest was held over the remains yesterday afternoon, by Coroner Hewlett, the jury returning a verdict in accordance with the facts. Unavailable Matter. The following is the unavailable matter remaining in the city postoffice at this date: Luther Terry, Thomaston, N. C.; Rev. Taylor, 527 W. Franklin street, Wilmington, N. C.; V. D. Macumber, Williamston, N. C.

Mayor's Court. Alderman Flanagan presided at the Mayor's levee, yesterday, his Honor being still indisposed. Harry Smith and John F. Gooding were arraigned on the charge of acting disorderly at a saloon on Water street Saturday night. Cases dismissed, no evidence appearing against them. Carl Chavers, charged with acting disorderly at the foot of Walnut street Monday night, was next arraigned, but it being his first offence, and the officer saying a good word for him, judgment was suspended. Peter Hagsland, a seaman, charged with being drunk and disorderly on the streets, was ordered to pay a fine of \$5 or go to jail for ten days. Finally judgment was suspended on the promise of defendant to leave the city immediately, if not sooner. John McLaughlin, a young white man, of quite a respectable appearance, was arrested on suspicion. Officer Marsh Walker saw him, about 12 o'clock Monday night, near the corner of Front and Dock streets, in company with three colored men. One of the latter left him at this point, remarking that he didn't want anything to do with him, as he was a "d—d New York sharper." The officer then got behind the corner and watched him in conversation with the other two colored men, when another of the latter started off, saying "I don't want anything to do with such tricks." The officer afterwards noticed him acting suspiciously in the neighborhood of some of the stores in that vicinity, upon which he approached him and had some talk with him, when his remarks appearing as suspicious as his conduct had before, he was finally arrested and taken to the station house. On the way he tried to bribe Officer Everett, one of the policemen in charge of him, to let him go, offering him a silver dollar, but the officer told him he didn't do that kind of business. Upon being questioned, he stated that he came here on the schooner G. M. Porter. The Acting Mayor ordered him below to await further developments, and directed Chief Brock to detail a policeman to see to the custody of the city. Lecture by Dr. Fritchard. The lecture committee of the Wilmington Library Association yesterday received a letter from Rev. T. H. Fritchard, D. D., President of Wake Forest College, signifying his willingness to deliver his promised lecture, under the auspices of the Association, on any evening that may be selected by them, and we learn from a member of the committee that Tuesday evening, the 13th prox., has been decided upon as the time for the proposed lecture, and the Opera House as the place. The Doctor has not yet announced his theme. Inhuman Conduct. A colored woman by the name of Love Ann Jones had a hearing before one of the Justices of the Peace yesterday, on the charge of committing an assault, the alleged assault consisting of inhuman conduct towards her own daughter, for which she was ordered to give bond with good security in the sum of \$200 for her appearance at the approaching term of the Criminal Court, in default of which she was committed to jail. Episcopal Delegates. The following delegates to the Episcopal Convention, to be held in St. Paul's Church, at Winston, May 26th, were elected at St. John's Church Monday night: Delegates—Jas. A. Willard, Jno. L. Holmes, Chas. D. Myers, W. H. Green. Alternates—Jno. E. Lippitt, Jno. W. Gordon, H. G. Smallbones, Jno. C. James.

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To-Day's Indications. Clear or partly cloudy weather, winds mostly from northeast to northwest, stationary or rising temperature and barometer, are the indications for this section to-day. RIVER AND MARINE. Barque Knud Aylsen, Petersen, hence arrived at Shields on the 15th inst. Schooner Dora M. French, hence, arrived at New York on the 27th inst. Barque Arctic, Hansen, sailed from Liverpool on the 16th inst. for this port. Schooner Lavinia J. Warren, Johnson, hence, arrived at Pernambuco on February 21st. A three-masted schooner, name unknown, was reported off the bar yesterday afternoon, bound in. The brig Martha, from this port for the English Channel, before reported as spoken at sea February 23d, badly damaged in a succession of hurricanes, has been towed into Queenstown for repairs. Considerable rain fell along the line of the upper Cape Fear Saturday night, and the river was again slowly rising when the steamers Waz and Governor Worth left Fayetteville Monday morning. There is now about eight feet of water on the shoals. Advice from Queenstown of the 16th inst. say that the barque Yuba, Power, from Middleborough for Baltimore, with iron, put in there, having been in collision with the Gazelle, German barque, at 3 A. M. on Sunday, 14th inst., in lat. 48 47 N, long. 105 W; both vessels had starboard bows stove to water's edge, and sustained other damage to "horos." The Gazelle was bound from Wilmington for Hamburg, with rosin, and is reported as having arrived at Crookhaven. Both vessels jettisoned part of their cargoes after the collision. The Yuba supplied the Gazelle with a boat.

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