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MORNING EDITION. Entered at the Post Office at Wilmington, N. C., as Second-Class Matter.

OUTLINES. Fire at South Boston, Va.; damage \$20,000.

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THE CITY.

J. C. MUNDY—Fancy goods. MEETING—Legion of Honor. MUMSON—Merchant tailoring.

Annual Meeting of the Navassa Guano Company. At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Navassa Guano Company...

Coston Receipts. We noticed a little paragraph in the Raleigh News and Observer a day or two ago, intimating a desire to know the receipts of cotton at Wilmington and Charlotte up to Friday last.

How is it? In the back piazza of the STAR office a thermometer at this season is kept hanging against a post in order to keep the range of temperature. In immediate proximity to the post is a broken pipe which water oozes and falls upon the steps leading from the piazza to the ground.

A Little Excitement. Considerable excitement was caused at the foot of Market street yesterday, while the Howard boys were practicing with their engine. It seems that the ferry flat came into the dock with five bales of cotton belonging to Judge Russell, when a spark from the engine set fire to the cotton, and for a few moments there was quite a blaze, but the flames were quickly extinguished, with but slight damage to the cotton.

Even if we are not smart, we know what to do when troubled with a Cough or Cold. No doctor bills for us. We take twenty-five cents, go to the nearest Drug Store and buy a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. One dose relieves us and one bottle cures us entirely.

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Receipts of cotton yesterday 964 bales. No session of the Mayor's Court yesterday morning.

Rev. Dr. Teasdale is now conducting a revival at Norfolk. There will be services at St. John's (Episcopal) Church, this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Oscar Campbell, convicted of an assault, was sent to jail yesterday afternoon for non-payment of costs in Justice Hill's Court.

It was from the 1st to the 7th, inclusive, that the 50,076 pieces of mail matter, referred to yesterday, were received for transmission at our postoffice.

The Norwegian barque Reक्टर Steen cleared from this port for Liverpool yesterday with a cargo of 1,080 bales cotton. The shippers were Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son.

We learn that Dr. Thos. F. Wood will deliver a lecture before the Historical and Scientific Society on the last Monday evening of this month.

The Enterprize fire. The Enterprize, after depicting the scenes of confusion and destruction which characterized the progress of the conflagration...

The fire continued with unabated fury until every business house and every dwelling house on the east side of Trade street was burned to ashes.

The property destroyed is estimated to be worth about \$20,000, though no accurate estimate can be arrived at under present circumstances.

The fire originated in the rear part of the store of Mr. T. A. McDougald, and is supposed to have been the work of incendiaries.

The damage to railroad property will not amount to more than \$175. The fire has not altogether suspended business.

The merchants whose stocks were damaged have all secured rooms in which to store their goods temporarily.

Daily Weather Bulletin. The following will show the state of the thermometer, at the stations named, at 3:00 P. M. yesterday.

The following are the indications for the South Atlantic States to-day: Stationary or higher barometer, cooler, northerly winds, clear or partly cloudy weather.

CITY ITEMS. THE MORNING STAR can always be had at the following places in the city: The Purcell House, the New Stand, and the Star Office.

NEWSPAPER FOR SALE. A well established and prosperous Weekly Newspaper, located in a thriving growing town on the line of a prominent railroad, is offered for sale.

Opinion of eminent Dr. H. R. Walton, Annapolis, Md.—Golden's Kidney Extract of Beef and Tonic Injurious, is a most excellent preparation. It is superior to any other medicine for any thing ever used in wasted or impaired constitutions, and an excellent preventive of malarial diseases.

Table with 2 columns: Rates of advertising, and prices per square. Includes categories like 'One square one day', 'Two days', etc.

MARRIED. TOPPING-DANIEL-At the residence of C. H. Anderson, Esq. Albemarle county, Va. Dec. 7th, 1880.

DIED. WILLIAMS-In the City. Dec. 9th. WILLIAMS RALPH, infant son of Edgar D. and Ida J. Williams.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. OPERA HOUSE. Latest New York Success. "DRAMATIC HIT OF THE SEASON."

FANNY DAVENPORT! As KATE VIVIAN, An American Girl! ELABORATE SCENERY, AN EXCELLENT COMPANY.

The Market House. The Old Market House at Auction. ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH, 1880, AT 10 O'CLOCK.

Sec. 221 Endowment Rank, K. of P. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING, SECTION OF No. 221 ENDOWMENT RANK, K. of P., will be held at Castle Hill, this (Friday) Evening, Dec. 10th, at 8 o'clock.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA: Alfred Howe, Administrator of estate of Julia Pettiford, vs. Superior of Hillsborough, et al. vs. Plaintiff, vs. Defendant.

Legion of Honor. CLARENCE COUNCIL, No. 67, A. L. of H. will hold its regular meeting this evening at 8 o'clock.

To the Ladies. WE CORDIALLY INVITE THE LADIES to call and inspect our stock for the holidays now open.

Fine Beef, Poultry, &c. ALL KINDS OF FRESH MEATS, BEEF, PORK, Poultry, Newly Cured North Carolina Hams, Sausages, Green and Smoked, for sale low by the BUTCHER'S CO.

Merchant Tailoring Department. UNPRECEDENTED INDUCEMENTS OFFERED in making DRESS and BUSINESS SUITS to ORDER.

Fancy Goods. FOR THE CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY TRADE. I have a full and complete assortment now in Store and to arrive, which offer at low prices.

Administrator's Notice. HAVING QUALIFIED IN THE PROBATE COURT of Caswell county as Administrator upon the estate of the late Dawson T. Durham, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said decedent to make immediate payment to me on or before the 4th day of November, 1881, or they will be barred by the expiration of this term.

Dogwood and Persimmon. BIG LOGS WANTED IN LARGE QUANTITIES. Address: MANUFACTURER, P. O. Box 3348, New York. If we see you, we will see you.

Still Receiving. Brown & Roddick. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A HANDSOME LINE OF SCOTCH PLAID GOODS, which we offer at 15% per yard.

Handkerchiefs. WE ARE NOW PREPARED TO SHOW THE Largest Line of HANDKERCHIEFS ever shown in this city, by the House of Messrs. Prescott, Cold Border, &c., suitable for Holiday Presents.

A. David. WILL BEGIN TO OFFER ON MONDAY, Dec 6th, and continue for one week previous to the opening of our Holiday Goods for gentlemen's Christmas PRESENTS.