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THE MORNING STAR

THE MOUNTAIN DISTILLERS and compile the keeping of an army of United States officers in the State...

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The Commercial convention that met in Washington was called to consider a National Bankrupt law. It passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That each Board of Trade, or corporate body, represented in this convention, request the Senators and Representatives in Congress from their respective States, to urge and support in Congress the recommendation of this convention...

It adopted with sundry amendments what is known as the Lowell bill.

THE CITY

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS: INVESTIGATION: J. H. HARDEN—SEAL: SUNDAY MORNING MAIL: D. A. SMITH—FURNITURE: OTTOMANS—OVERCOATS: M. M. KATZ—New goods: G. R. FRENCH & SONS—Boots: HEINSBARGER & CALDERBROOK—Church annual: ADRIAN & VOLLERS—Groceries: SERRAL OFFICE—Room wanted: PARKER & TAYLOR—Economy: LECTURE—Rev. Dr. Hawthorne: N. H. BERNETT—Knabe pianos: HARRISON & ALLEN—Umbrellas: MURKIN—Rubber coats, umbrellas: MASONIC—Meeting Concord Chapter: GILES & MURCHISON—Hardware, etc: G. W. WILLIAMS & CO.—Bacon, lard, etc: MURKIN & DRUMMETT—Fresh drugs, etc: W. E. SPENCER & CO.—Breech loaders: F. M. KING & CO.—Farmer Girl cook: J. B. HUGHES & CO.—Family groceries: McDONNELL & BOWDEN—Hardware, etc: BROWN & RODDICK—Now is your time: KERCHNER & CALDERBROOK—Flour, soap, matches, etc:

Second Sunday after Epiphany: Day's length 10 hours and 6 minutes: Receipts of cotton yesterday 138 bales: The Almanac predicts a hoar frost for to-day: The moon completes her last quarter this morning: Thanks to Hon. R. T. Bennett for sundry public documents: Three tramps were lodged at the station house Friday night: There were no cases for the Mayor's Court yesterday morning: The weather has been very wet and sloppy for the past two or three days: The Board of Audit and Finance have their regular meeting to-morrow afternoon, at 5 o'clock: The Revenue Cutter Coffey has just returned from a cruise along the coast, after an absence of about two weeks: The Register of Deeds issued seven marriage licenses during the past week, of which four were for white and three for colored couples: It is probable now that the Board of Aldermen will not make another attempt to get a quorum until their next regular meeting in February: Mr. James W. Johnson, whose sudden death from heart disease was mentioned in our last, was the father-in-law of the late Thomas Williams—not the brother-in-law as we were made to say: A gentleman just from Morehead City says that snow fell to the depth of two inches and a half at that place and in the surrounding section on Thursday morning last. A few flakes and a little sleet fell here: Leap Year Statistics: A young statistician of this city has been at the pains to get up a list of marriageable young men in this city, for the benefit of the young ladies who wish to avail themselves of the privileges of leap year, and at last accounts it had run up to 64. This is a good showing for the young ladies who, however, should "look before they leap":

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Superior Court: Major D. J. Devane concluded the argument in the case of E. J. Swann, et al., vs. L. A. Hart and J. C. Bailey, yesterday, after which His Honor, Judge Gilmer, gave the following decision: "Upon the facts agreed as the verdict of the jury, after argument, the Court adjudge that the plaintiffs take nothing by this suit, and that defendants go without day and recover the costs, to be taxed by the Clerk."

From this judgment the plaintiffs take appeal to the Supreme Court. Notice of appeal was given and accepted in open court, and the appeal bond was fixed at \$30. The next case taken up was that of Margaret Black, executrix of Archie Black vs. A. Y. Wilson, to recover damages to the amount of \$5,000, for injuries sustained by the said Black, at the steam saw mill of the defendant, which caused his death a year or so ago. Messrs. Russell & Ricard appeared for the plaintiffs and Messrs. E. S. Martin and J. D. Bellamy, Jr., for the defendants. The jury rendered a verdict for the defendants, a few hours after the adjournment of court, and were discharged by the clerk.

"Swinging Around the Circle." On Wednesday night last Rev. Dr. Pritchard, of this city, lectured to a good audience at Lumberton on "The Tongue." On Thursday night he preached at Alma, in Robeson county. On Friday at Mt. Holly Baptist Church, six miles from Burgaw, in Pender county, he, with Revs. W. M. Kennedy and J. B. Barlow, ordained Rev. L. T. Carroll to the Christian ministry, after a public examination as to his Christian experience, call to the ministry and views of doctrine. Dr. Pritchard preached the sermon. Rev. W. M. Kennedy delivered the charge and Rev. Mr. Barlow made the ordaining prayer. Dr. Pritchard then presented the Bible and Rev. Mr. Kennedy pronounced the benediction.

Reduction of the City Debt. By a close application to the matter of collecting taxes, our present municipal authorities are enabled to make a good financial showing. There has been paid over by the City Treasurer to the Commissioner of the Sinking Fund, out of the tax levy of 18 cents for the present fiscal year, up to January 15th, the following sums: October 19th, 1883, \$ 504 00 November 26th, " 2,320 58 December 19th, " 2,023 68 January 15th, 1884, 2,232 98 \$7,174 15 This ratio of reduction, if kept up for a while, will go far towards wiping out the debt of the city.

The Earthquake Shock. Mr. R. E. Heide informs us that the earthquake shock of Friday morning was very distinctly felt at his Appleton plantation, about five miles beyond this city. The dwelling shook very perceptibly and there was a rumbling sound as of distant thunder or the roar of surf. In the midst of the confusion which the incident occasioned among his own immediate family, the servants rushed in from the kitchen, about forty yards distant, and said it was about to tumble about their heads. Mr. Heide repaired to the kitchen and found that the chimney, which is on the outside of the building, was cracked from top to bottom.

First Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, of Richmond, Va., the popular Baptist pulpit orator, arrived on Friday night and is the guest of Mr. Geo. R. French, Sr.

The programme for services at the First Baptist Church to-day has been somewhat changed. Rev. Dr. Hawthorne will preach only in the morning, and his sermon will be on "Judas and His Imitators."

At eight Rev. Dr. Pritchard, the pastor, will preach the third of his series of sermons to young men, his theme being "The Infidel's Testimony to Christianity."

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Weather Indications. The following are the indications for today: For the Middle Atlantic States, rain or snow, followed during Sunday by clearing weather, northerly winds, rising barometer and colder. For the South Atlantic States, generally clearing weather, winds shifting to northerly, rising barometer and generally colder weather. For the East Gulf States, generally colder, fair weather, northerly winds and generally higher barometer. For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, snow, followed by clearing weather, northerly winds, colder, rising barometer in eastern portion, rising, followed by falling in western portion.

Foreign Expresses. The German barque Lydia Paschos was cleared from this port for Palmouth, England, via Obiskation, by Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son, with 600 barrels of rosin, valued at \$800; the German barque C. L. Weger, Capt. French, for Hamburg, by Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co., with 3,146 barrels of rosin and 290 casks of spirits turpentine, valued at \$8,095; and the Norwegian barque Esra, Capt. Christensen, for Hamburg, by Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co., with 3,428 barrels of rosin, valued at \$4,988. Total \$13,883.

The Hanlon Brothers. The Philadelphia Press, December 12th, says of this troupe: "The only company of the kind, and a kind of which we ought to have more, is the Hanlon Combination who were seen at the Arch Street Theatre last night in their pantomimic sketch, 'A Trip to Switzerland.' It is a comedy pantomime in which the latter element is most predominant, and in the hands of those masters of the art, the Hanlons, it is simply wonderful how they can manage night after night to keep up the constant work required to carry through a performance in which every thing depends on the rapidity of its action."

Annie Pixley. This comedienne appears at the Opera House in this city to-morrow evening. The New Orleans Democrat, in its notice of a recent performance in that city, says: "Annie Pixley, in Miss, crowded the St. Charles Theatre again last night, to overflowing, and every climax of the play was applauded as on previous nights; the performance passed off delightfully, and every one left more than pleased."

RIVER AND MARINE. The Schr. Mary E. Gilderleece, Capt. E. W. Hill, from Washington, N. C., for Savannah, with a cargo of 4,500 bushels of rice, sprung a leak, started to put in at Beaufort and struck on the bar and broke off her centre-board. She came in with two feet of water in her hold, and had to discharge cargo, about one-third of which was badly damaged and had to be sold. The cargo was insured with Mr. M. S. Willard, of this city, in the Boston Marine Insurance Company. Mr. Willard has just returned from Morehead, where he went to sell the damaged rice and look after matters generally. Capt. Hill had his wife and child on board.

Exactly the Right Thing. Why don't you cure your backache with one of Boston's Capelin Purus Plasters. Sure and quick. No. 10.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS: ST. JOHN'S HALL, WILMINGTON, N. C., 30th Jan., 1884. COMPANIONS—THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CONCORD CHAPTER NO. 1, E. A. M., will be held to-morrow (Monday) evening, at 7 o'clock. JAMES C. MUNDT, Secretary.

Wanted. A GENTLEMAN WANTS A NICELY FURNISHED ROOM in pleasant location, without board. Address, with description of room, location and price, to JAMES C. MUNDT, at the SIGNAL OFFICE, City.

Knabe Pianos. MR. N. H. BERNETT, SALESMAN FOR WM. Knabe & Co., Baltimore, manufacturers of the celebrated "KNABE PIANO" is at the Purcell House for two or three days, and would be pleased to meet parties who contemplate purchasing Pianos. Old Pianos taken in exchange. Jan 20

Notice. THE SECOND NUMBER OF THE SUNDAY MORNING MAIL is filled with interesting news. Subscribers who did not get their paper, or those who wish to subscribe, or read this interesting number, will find copies this morning at the office of the SUNDAY MORNING MAIL, at No. Front and Pine Street. Cor. Front and Pine Street. Jan 20

FRESH DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND PATENT MEDICINES. Garden and other seeds in great variety. Cigars, Clearing and Smoking Tobacco, Soda and Mineral Waters. MURKIN & DRUMMETT, Market and Second Streets. Jan 20

MEN'S AND BOYS' RUBBER COATS. UMBRELLAS. Children's School Umbrellas at 75c (10-15c); good Gingham at \$1.00 (5-10c); and 20c. from the State of N. H. MUNSON, Clothier and Merchant Tailor. Jan 20

GREENVILLE SOUND. I WILL SELL AT A BARGAIN ONE OF THE MOST DESIRABLE SUMMER PLACES on the Atlantic coast, situated on Greenville Sound, six miles from Wilmington, on Shell Road. The land is in a HIGH STATE OF CULTIVATION and will support an ordinary sized family. On the place are Peaches, Apples, Cherries, Figs and Grapes in abundance. Oysters, Fish, Crabs and Shrimp to be had at the door every day. WM. A. CUMMING, No. 25 Cowden st. su. no. Review copy. Jan 20

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M. M. KATZ

116 Market St.

French Nainsooks, Victoria and Persian Lawns, Pique, Marseilles, Checks, 20,000 Yards Embroideries.

LACES. A FULL ASSORTMENT IN ALL NEW STYLES AND DESIGNS.

BALANCE OF WINTER GOODS! SELLING OUT VERY CHEAP.

TO MAKE ROOM FOR SPRING STOCK

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BROWN & RODDICK, 9 North Front Street.

Great Bargains! HAMBURG EDGINGS AND INSERTIONS. We have been so fortunate as to secure a Manufacturer's Line of samples, (OVER 350 OF THEM), AND OFFER THEM AT PRICES AWAY DOWN.

A Job in Kid Gloves! 35 Doz. Mosequiture Kids, 6 Button Lengths, 60c a PAIR, worth \$1.50, IN BLACK AND ALL LEADING COLORS.

10-4 BLEACHED BOSTON SHEETING, 25c per Yard. WAMUTT BLEACHING, 12c. MASONVILLE, 12c. FET OF THE LOOM, 10c. HILL, 10c.

McCalla & Stavely's ILLUSTRATED CHURCH ANNUAL. A HAND-BOOK for parochial work, containing clerical directory for the vestry room, the clergyman's study and the family circle. Price 50 cents. For sale at HEINSBARGER'S.

School Books. FOR ALL THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC schools in the city and State, for sale at HEINSBARGER'S Live Book and Music Stores.

Bacon, Lard, Flour. 100 Boxes D. S. C. R. SIDES, 25 Doz Smoked do, 150 Buckets and Tubs Choice LARD, 1500 Bbls FLOUR, all grades, 200 Bbls Refined SUGARS, all grades, 500 Sacks Choice RIQ COFFEE, 150 Bbls and Bble Porto Rico and Cuba MOLASSES, 5000 Striped Sacks LIV. SALT, 100 and 200 lbs., 1000 Sacks FINE SALT, Factory filled, 100 Bbls Choice RICE, 1000 Bush White CORN, 100 Boxes Laundry SOAP, 50 Boxes STARCH, 100 Cases SODA, 200 Cases LYE, 100 Cases POTASH, 100 Gross R. R. MILLS SNUFF, 10 Half Bbls do do 10 Boxes Assorted CANDY, Oysters, Crackers, &c., &c., For sale low by G. W. WILLIAMS & CO., Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants, 16 & 18 North Water Street. Jan 20

ADRIAN & VOLLERS, WHOLESALE GROCERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS. Constantly on hand at prices defying competition. D. S. SIDES, BELLIES and BACKS, 8 C. HOLDERS and HAMS, WOODEN and WILLOW WARE, CIGARS, CIGARETTES, TOBACCO and SNUFF, CUBA, P. R. and N. O. MOLASSES, FLOUR, all grades, from common to fancy, Cakes and Crackers, all varieties; Canned Goods of all kinds; Lye, Potash, Shot, Hoop Iron and Nails, Sugar, Tea, Coffee, Candies, Cocoanuts, Spice, Soap, Mackerel, Paper Bags, Wrapping Paper, Writing Paper, Matches, Rice, Canning Starch, Apples, Onions, Nuts, Raisins, Lard, Butter, Cheese, Sundrys, &c. We call special attention to our extra fine lot of MESS MULLET'S (heads off). Jan 20

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Lecture. REV. J. B. HAWTHORNE, D.D., will lecture at Tileston Upper Room, MONDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Subject: BE TRUE TO THYSELF. Admission 50 cents, Jan 20

Umbrellas! Umbrellas! HARRISON & ALLEN, 100 Front St. Jan 20

New 1884 Crop. SEED! SEED! SEED! ONION SETS, PEAS, Beans, Corn, Cabbage, Turnip, Beet, Radish, Tomato, Cucumbers, Watermelon, and other vegetable seed in large quantities, wholesale and retail. Country orders solicited and promptly attended given them. DRUGGIST and Seedsmen, Seed at Dyer's New Market, Wilmington, N. C. Jan 20

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