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MORNING EDITION.

OUTLINES.

Gen Capron, ex-Commissioner of Agriculture, died in Washington, D. C., from the effects of a severe cold contracted at the Washington monument dedication...

Emory Spear, of Georgia, is now a Federal Judge. His age is 36. He has got his reward.

Judge Kelley, Gov. Long and other Republicans in Congress have nothing but good words for Senators Lamar and Garland. Is that really a good sign?

The latest sensation concerning Jim Blaine, of Maine, is that Oregon admirers of a badly damaged moral character are seriously thinking of electing him to the Senate of the United States.

Richmond, Va., owns the gas works and last year made \$112,521. This will do. The cost of gas to each burner was a fraction under 80 cents a thousand.

And one woman who died in Illinois, and who was a native of North Carolina, never saw Washington, but Mrs. Hannah Sweeney, of San Francisco, aged 96 years, was more fortunate. She not only saw G. W. but she kissed him.

Breadstuffs reports for last week 254 failures in the United States. Of these the South furnished as follows: West Virginia 2; Alabama 3; Arkansas, Maryland and Mississippi 4 each; Texas and Virginia 5 each; Georgia and Kentucky 7 each; Louisiana and South Carolina 8 each.

A "Radikal" postmaster in Tennessee, who probably thinks Blaine was elected, writes to Postmaster General Hatton:

"DEAR SIR—I am running this post office for the benefit of the United States Government and the Republican party. I am a letter to the Democrats of East Tennessee."

His letter was promptly filled for the benefit of Hatton's successor.

The Librarian of the Boston Library has made an historical discovery. It is to the effect that the Philadelphia Declaration of Independence was read on the 4th of July, but was not signed before the 2nd of August, and Thornton, of New Hampshire, did not sign it until five years after. He wanted to see who was going to whip before he declared his independence.

Only two Senators voted against the bill forfeiting the land grant of the Texas Pacific Railroad. One of the two was Blair, the man who favors National school-teaching and pensioning enough Northern men to require a thousand million dollars to meet the expenditure.

The Monroe Enquirer Express gives some extracts from a document prepared by John Osborne and dated 27th March, 1803, Mecklenburg county, North Carolina. Here is the price of things in that year:

This season has been exceedingly bad for both wheat and corn and cotton. Wheat is now sold for a dollar per bushel. Corn is now 1/2 dollar per bushel. Oat crops were tolerable good. Pork sells at 6 dollars per 100 wt. in our country stores. Cotton 3/4 dollars per 100 wt. &c. Money are extortendary scarce.

trying to make terms with the Mahdi on the terms proposed by Gen. Gordon. The feeling in London is one of extreme anxiety over the fate of the British forces in the Soudan. It is almost certain that no more fighting will occur at present if the British can prevent it. They will withdraw towards Egypt if they can. No attempt at an aggressive movement will be made before autumn, if then.

Our friend Hamilton McMillan, Esq., the intelligent and faithful Representative from Robeson in the House, has introduced a bill that is interesting to the farmers. It is to establish a Commission to be composed of ten farmers, to be appointed from each Congressional District, who are to be paid as the members of the Legislature. They are to meet at Raleigh, in September, to consider the farming situation, the sheep industry included; and to report to the Legislature two years hence.

Spirits Turpentine.

The mercury fell nearly to zero at Charlotte on Friday night. At Waynesville the mercury has been as low as 12 degrees below zero.

Raleigh Chronicle: Died, at her home in this city, to-day at 2 30 p. m., Mrs. Virginia Hervey, wife of P. E. Hervey, Esq. Mrs. Hervey was raised in Raleigh.

Rockingham Spirit: Mr. Daniel Clark, aged about 60 years, died at Mr. Richmond Cole's, in this vicinity, a few days ago, after a short illness of asthma.

Monroe Enquirer-Express: Mr. Jas. Craig, a young man living on exhibit Price's place, in Sandy Ridge township, was foolish with a piece of timber when it went off and shot him through the hand.

Pittsboro Record: Since our last issue we have had a regular old-fashioned snow storm—or rather two of them. There was better sleighing than we have had since 1877; though only two sleighs were run along at this place.

Shelby Aurora: Shelby has, with a population of 1,300, thirteen presch., or one minister in every hundred of persons. It also registers in seven physicians, while four lawyers show that Cleveland is not fond of litigation.

Charlotte News & Courier: Congressman Robert B. Vance, of North Carolina, who is chairman of the House committee on Patents, will, in the opinion of the Patent Office clerks, step in to Commissioner Brewer's place.

Hickory Carolinian: John W. Erwin was killed in a bar room fight in Franklin. He died, of apoplexy, on Wednesday last, A. M. Peeler, a highly respected citizen of this place, aged about 50 years, was a member of the Board of Trustees of W. R. College, and attended the meeting last Friday.

Raleigh Visitor: We learn that the Warrenton Railroad Company is having a handsome coach built at the Raleigh car shops. On Thursday last, a young colored man named Sam Atkins, who lived in Masonville about two miles west of the city limits, was killed by being run over by a train on the R. & A. L. Railroad near Sanford.

Henderson Gold Leaf: The new brick Presbyterian Church will be dedicated on next Sunday morning. The services will be conducted by Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., of Fayetteville, and Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D. D., of Raleigh.

Raleigh Chronicle: The interior of Dare is one vast cranberry bed. The cranberry is the bush variety, and the gatherers plod around in the swamp with mud shoes (a plank with holes in it) on their feet, a bag with a ring in its mouth in each hand, and the cranberry rake, with which they pull them off of the bushes, in the other. This cranberry rake was invented by a Dare man, and cut out of cypress with a pocket knife.

Special dispatch to the Charlotte News and Courier: LINCOLNTON, N. C., February 18—A suspicious character was arrested fifteen miles from here in this county yesterday. He was found nailed up in an old house in the woods. He can give no satisfactory account of himself. He is supposed to be an escaped murderer from your State. He is about five feet ten inches high, has a light mustache and reddish hair. His left arm is broken the wrist and elbow. He says his name is French Hampton, from Florida Keys, is pale and emaciated, and has every appearance of having been in prison. Our sheriff is holding him.

Charlotte Observer: On the plantation of Mrs. E. P. Davis, near Huntersville, a few nights since, there occurred a bold attempt at assassination, a graphic description of which we have from the pen of the victim himself. His account of the affair can hardly be improved upon, and we give it just as he records it. There was quite an excitement. Charles Greer, a colored man, heard some noise out at the yard gate he went out to see what it was, on going back into the house some one shot at him, the gun made a long fire, he gave a quick jump into the house, the shot went above the door, there was counted 90 shots of lead.

New Bern Journal: Cotton is on the look up again but there is not much to be found in this section even if it should go to fifty cents per pound. Snow Hill had a big fire last Wednesday morning about one o'clock, burning two stores for John Murphy, one for Thomas Harper, occupied by Pace & McKee, two dwellings for Rev. Thomas Moore, one vacant, and other occupied by himself and family, and other outhouses. Our superintendent, John S. Long, Esq., has completed his work of visiting the public schools in the county. He makes the gratifying report that the disposition among the people to supplement the public funds

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Weather Predictions.

The following are the indications for today:

For the South Atlantic States, fair weather, followed by local rains, easterly winds, a slight rise in temperature and low barometer.

Destruction of the Warsaw High School.

Our citizens were pained at the announcement received in this city Sunday morning, to the effect that the buildings known as the Warsaw High School, at Warsaw, Duplin county, had been destroyed by fire on the previous night, about 8 o'clock. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective flue or from the explosion of a lamp, but nothing is known certainly in regard to its origin. The buildings burned, which constitute the High School property, were valued at about \$8,000, were the property of the Eastern Baptist Association, and were not insured. The furniture was insured for \$750 in the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company, represented in this city by Messrs. Jno. W. Gordon & Smith, which it is said will about cover the loss.

Rev. W. M. Kennedy and his son, Mr. D. S. Kennedy, were conducting a flourishing school at that place. Rev. Mr. Kennedy has the heartfelt sympathy of his many friends in Wilmington in the misfortune that has befallen him, who at the same time indulge the hope that it may result in only a temporary inconvenience with its attendant drawbacks, which latter may not prove at all serious to himself and son.

A Memorable Day.

Sunday was not only Washington's birthday, but the twentieth anniversary of the evacuation of Wilmington by the Confederate forces under Gen. Hoke and the occupation of the same by the Federal Generals, Terry and Schofield, which took place on the 22d of February, 1865.

Anniversary Ball.

The Howard Relief Fire Engine Company No. 1 will celebrate the twenty-ninth anniversary of the company by a grand ball, to be given at Voller's Hall to-morrow evening.

A SUGGESTION.

In connection with our Criminal Court I think a great improvement could be made by so changing the law as to allow the County Commissioners to appoint a competent man to be foreman of the grand jury for a term, say one year, whose duty it shall be to inform himself as to all cases likely to come before the grand jury. He would then know who were the witnesses and how to examine them in his own way.

By conference between the foreman and the solicitor the latter would be greatly assisted in his work. This would be especially so in the country, if adopted for all the courts of the State. Having served a few terms on grand juries, I know the difficulties under which they labor.

During the late term of our court I heard three cases in succession brought up for trial that no doubt would have been dropped by a grand jury whose foreman was well informed as to the facts in the cases. SPECTATOR.

THE MAILS.

The mails close and arrive at the City Post Office as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Mail route and time. Includes Northern through mails, Southern through mails, Cape Fear, and other routes.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Samuel Northrop, who has been quite unwell for a week or two past, is able to be at his office again.

Senator Chadbourne, the Senator from this county, spent Sunday and yesterday at his home in this city, leaving for Raleigh last night.

Mr. C. L. Smith, Associate Editor of the Biblical Recorder, Raleigh, called on us Saturday.

Rev. Geo. S. Jones, State Agent of the American Sunday School Union, is again on a visit here.

The many friends of Capt. W. M. Parker will be glad to learn that he is much better, and is contemplating a trip to the Sound in a few days.

Mr. Chas. B. Fennell has gone to Ocala, Florida, on a visit for the improvement of his health and to see relatives resident there.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OPERA HOUSE.

ONE NIGHT ONLY! FEBRUARY 25. THE PEOPLE'S FAVORITE, Mr. W. J. Scanlan, supported by a powerful Dramatic Company...

29th Anniversary Ball

OF THE Howard Relief Fire Engine Co. No. 1. AT MR. H. VOLLER'S HALL. WEDNESDAY EVENG, FEB. 25. Tickets \$1.00. No gentleman admitted without a lady.

A. G. McGIRT, Auctioneer.

AT EXCHANGE CORNER, THIS DAY, AT 11 o'clock A. M., we will sell One Fine Driving Horse, Buggy and Harness, and Two or Three Common Horses.

Commissioner's Sale.

IN PURSUANCE OF A DECREE OF THE superior Court of Brunswick County, in the action of Partition therein pending between John P. Brown et al., as Plaintiffs, and John W. Cotten et al., as Defendants, the undersigned Commissioner will sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door, in Smithville on Wednesday, the 28th day of March, 1885, THREE VALUABLE BUILDINGS...

Balance Suitings VERY LOW. Merchant Tailor and Clothier.

Weekly

ADDITIONS TO OUR LINE OF NECKWEAR keeps our stock fresh.

And Still They Come.

FOR BARGAINS IN BOOTS, SHOES AND GAITHERS of all kinds, at prices to suit the times, call at SHRIER'S, 108 Market St.

Warner's Tablets,

FOR COUGHS AND COLDS, VASELINE COLD Cream, Pond's Extract, and a full line of Drugs and Medicines, for sale by JAMES C. MUNSON, 104 North Front Street.

Congressional Government.

A STUDY IN AMERICAN POLITICS. BY WOODROW WILSON. 1 vol. 16mo. \$1.25.

Jersey Waists.

ON HAND AND TO ARRIVE AT VERY MODERATE PRICES. HEINSBERGER'S Live Book and Music Store.

NEW BLACK GOODS.

A GOOD ASSORTMENT FROM LOW PRICED TO FINE GRADES.

CURTAINS AND CARPETS.

GOOD ASSORTMENT AT LOW FIGURES. R. M. MCINTIRE.

Washington's Monument.

LEAVE YOUR ORDERS AT ONCE FOR ILLUSTRATED PAPERS containing the different views and illustrations of a dedication of the Washington Monument. Only cost you 10 cents delivered at places of business.

Spring Styles!

Stiff & Silk Hats! HARRISON & ALLEN, Hatters.

ATENTION!

WE WISH TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE fact that we are selling Blank Books, Paper and Envelopes, Ink, Manilla, Pens, Pencils, and all kinds of Stationery at a great reduction upon former prices.

Rock Lime.

FOR BUILDING PURPOSES. FRESHLY BURNED. PRICE REDUCED TO 1 1/2 CENTS PER BUSHEL. LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR LARGE QUANTITIES.

Table with 2 columns: Rates of Advertising and corresponding costs per square inch for different durations.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A FEW LEFT!

BROWN & RODDICK, 9 North Front St.

CARPET REMNANTS.

We will offer a large lot of CARPET REMNANTS on Monday, FEB. 24, at HALF PRICE, in lengths from 3/4 to 1 1/2 yards.

CORSETS.

We offer the largest selection in this department of any house south of New York, and call the attention of our patrons to the following Celebrated Brands:

Hamburg Edgings and Insertions.

A New Lot just received. The prices cannot fail to satisfy all. Look over our stock before making your purchases.

BLACK SILKS.

We have just by Express another invoice of these VERY CREAM BLACK SILKS—\$1.00 and \$1.25 per yard. They are Fifty Per Cent. cheaper than any other Brand in the market.

BROWN & RODDICK.

SOLE AGENTS FOR BUTTRICK'S CUT-PAPER PATTERNS. Send stamp for New Catalogues.

Pleasant.

AN EASY FITTING SHOE IS PLEASANT TO wear and gives satisfaction. These WALKER-PHAST SHOES we sell are easy fitting, and therefore pleasant to wear. Come in and look at them, try on a pair, and buy a pair from Geo. R. French & Sons.

You Save Money,

IN CASE OF A LOSS BY FIRE, IF YOU ARE INSURED IN THE Liverpool & London & Globe Ins. Co., as that Company pays its losses WITHOUT DISCOUNT.

Jno. W. Gordon & Smith AGENTS.

COTTON SEED MEAL.

100 Tons No. 1 Cotton Seed Meal, ONE OF THE VERY BEST OF FERTILIZERS. For sale by WORTH & WORTH.

Our Display

OF FINE CLOTHING THIS WEEK IS THE finest you ever saw. Drop in and try them; you can get them red hot from the fire.

Garden Seed! Garden Seed!

PEAS, BEANS, CABBAGE, RADISH, MELON, Cucumber, and all other varieties usually sold in this section, for sale, wholesale and retail.

Fishing Tackle!

JUST RECEIVED, and for sale by GILES & MURCHISON, Murchison Block.

Wm. E. Springer & Co.

HAVEN STOCK A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF Foreign and Domestic HARDWARE of the best known manufacturers. Prices guaranteed.

The Geiss Electric Lamp.

A SUPPLY OF THESE UNRIVALLED LAMPS JUST RECEIVED. W. S. BRIGGS & CO. Sole Agents.