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OUTLINES.

An explosion in the basement of the Admiralty building, London, badly damaged the building; it is believed to have been caused by dynamite; several persons were injured.

A fire in Sharpsburg, Pa., destroyed a block of buildings; loss about \$75,000. Several dwellings were demolished and a number of persons killed by a cyclone in the Prairie Grove neighborhood, Texas.

War is regarded as inevitable in St. Petersburg; the Journal of that city says Russia is confident of her ability to cope with the emergency.

The London Standard says, in the event of war France will be a quiet spectator; Germany is not averse to war with England and Russia because she wants the latter weakened; the sympathy of Italy is assured to England, and wise, bold action will secure both Persia and Turkey.

An affray in St. Francis Co., Ark., between Martin Mitchell and four men, Mitchell killed three of them with a Winchester rifle.

Southeastern Kansas reports the heaviest rainfall ever known in that State; all the level country is submerged, crops ruined, stock drowned and settlements inundated; great damage was done to railroad property; ten lives were lost by the flood at Kingman.

The body of Jas. Sloan was found near the house of his uncle at Spring City, Tenn.; it is supposed he was murdered.

John L. Sowell, book-keeper of the Georgia Chemical Works, Augusta, is a defaulter; the amount of the defalcation is not yet known.

New York market: Money 1 1/2 per cent; cotton steadier at 10 1/2; wheat, ungraded red 75c @ 81c; corn, ungraded 53 1/2 @ 55 1/2; rosin dull at 81 1/2 @ 83; spirits turpentine firm at 32 1/2 @ 33c.

Two hundred Mormon dupes have arrived at New York from Scandinavia.

Uncle Sam has 1,800 men and 30 guns in the Central American Isthmus.

There was a draw cocking main at Lynchburg between Lynchburg and Washington.

According to a woman's statement, Resa Winans, the rich Baltimorean, has two wives.

Consols (British) is an abbreviation of "consolidated annuities" according to the Current.

The New York Daily News leads all competitors. Last week it averaged 173,405 daily copies.

ground erect and then fell forward. For an instant the audience was paralyzed with terror, and a painful exclamation of fright went up from the thousands present.

Democrats are not hungry for office—at least not for foreign consulates. Mr. Boyd Winchester is the latest to decline. He was offered the consulate to Nice.

The salary of \$1,500 a year is too small, however, and in consequence Mr. Winchester has declined. It is understood that Mr. Watterston will leave at once for Washington to ask a new appointment for his friend.

There are no fees attached to any consulate that pays more than \$1,000. There is a great mistake about the pay. Only six consulates pay as high as \$6,000. Those that pay as high as \$2,000, \$3,000 or \$4,000, (and there are but few of the last) have no fees additional.

Gen. Grant will be sixty-three years old next Monday. After all the ridicule there is no doubt that the doctors are correct in their diagnosis. He will yet die from cancer. So they hold and they know. Dr. Shady is not only a very eminent physician but he is the leading Medical editor in America.

Some school-children in Brooklyn, New York, sent the poet Tennyson some of his own most popular productions in manuscript.

"Such kindly memorials as yours make me hope that, though the national bond between England and America was broken by the stupidity of some of George III's ministers, the natural one—one of blood and language—may bind us closer and closer from century to century."

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Spirits Turpentine

—Rev. W. C. Norman, of Raleigh, is ill.

—Mr. John N. Whiting, a leading New York lawyer, died at Kittrell a few days ago. He came to this State to argue a railroad case.

—J. D. Murphy, Esq., of Greenville, N. C., will deliver the literary address at the closing exercises of Farnville College Institute, May 21st.

—A Warsaw correspondent writes us on the 20th: "At the commencement exercises of the Warsaw High School, on the 21st of May, Rev. J. D. Hufham, D. D., will deliver the annual address."

—The Raleigh Visitor has completed its sixth year. Papers may start and papers may die but the Visitor continues to go to its subscribers every evening. We hope its visits will last a century.

—Chadbourne Times: On the 16th inst. the store house belonging to Hughes & Co. was set on fire by lightning and burned to the ground.

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—Hillboro Observer: Mr. Matthew Atwater, one of our largest and most successful farmers, says the last year he planted six acres in cotton, and raised tobacco on only one acre.

—Tabor Southern: The longest cotton row in the county and probably in the world is on the Shiloh farm of Messrs. Stator and Jeffries. The row begins in the center of a hundred acre field and goes round and round, spiral like, until the center field is gone over.

—Oxford Torchlight: Prof. Geo. T. Winston will lecture on Thursday night at Cozart Hall to raise a fund to place a memorial tablet in Memorial Hall at the University, in honor of Judge Robert B. Gilliam.

—Greensboro Workman: The pneumonia which so afflicted the people of Chatham county has by no means disappeared, and new cases are reported at various points.

—Correspondence of the Raleigh Register: Nowwood, N. C., April 20. Last Friday Mr. L. D. McSwain undertook to cross Rocky river at Crump's Ferry, six miles from this place.

—Raleigh Visitor: The most encouraging accounts come from all sections in regard to the fruit crop. So far but very little damage has been done.

—Charlotte Observer: The Criminal Court will probably adjourn to-day, as there is now but one case left for trial by jury, and the grand jury has been discharged.

—Raleigh News-Observer: Rev. Mr. Foster, of Chapel Hill, who was reported Saturday as dying, is improving. Dr. K. P. Battle writes: "A well known farmer here, who takes a prominent position as a wheat grower, said yesterday to a reporter that the improvement in the appearance of the wheat is remarkable. He thinks the crop will be a fair one."

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C. F. & Y. V. RAILROAD.

Meeting of Citizens at the Produce Exchange to Consult with President Gray and Others in Reference to the Proposed Connection with Wilmington—President Gray's Proposition—How it was Received—Appointment of a Committee, &c.

Yesterday, shortly before 12 o'clock, a meeting of our business men and citizens generally was held at the rooms of the Produce Exchange, for the purpose of conferring with President Gray and others of the syndicate authorized to act for the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Company, with the view of ascertaining upon what terms and conditions an extension of said road from Fayetteville to Wilmington could be brought about.

Mr. J. H. Currie, President of the Produce Exchange, in calling the meeting to order, took occasion to read a letter from Hon. Thomas J. Jarvis, in response to a request from our business men, expressed in a public meeting recently, to the effect that he would visit Wilmington before his departure on his mission to Brazil, and give our citizens an opportunity to consult with him on certain matters connected with our commerce with that country, stating that he would comply with their request, and would notify the committee by telegraph when he would be here.

Mr. Currie then moved that Col. Wm. L. DeRosset be called to the chair, and that Mr. Herbert Smith be requested to act as Secretary.

Mr. Currie introduced to the meeting Mr. Julian A. Gray, President of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad.

President Gray, whose commanding presence and snow white locks and beard impressed in advance the large assemblage of Wilmington's men of business, then explained very thoroughly and succinctly the object of the visit of himself and brother members of the syndicate.

He said he knew nothing certainly as to the probable extension beyond Mt. Airy, but was of the opinion that it would not be long before it would be extended to Cincinnati, from which Wilmington would be its nearest outlet by one hundred miles. Alluded to the completion of the road to within easy reach of Mt. Airy, and said the company considered a connection with Wilmington as an absolute necessity.

The company, however, did not feel disposed or able to assume the entire burden of connection, but thought Wilmington ought to be willing to bear her share. He said the sum of \$300,000 would be required for a completed road between Fayetteville and Wilmington, and he thought our city ought to feel sufficiently interested to subscribe \$250,000 of that amount.

He thought he could make a proposition which would insure the building of the road and that Wilmington would get back the whole amount of her expenditure in a few years; and his proposition was this: If Wilmington will subscribe \$250,000, the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad will give her second mortgage bonds to the amount of \$250,000, and also give her stock to the amount of \$250,000; this money to be expended under the management and control of a committee to be appointed by the citizens of Wilmington; and, before the citizens are to be called upon to spend one dollar of the proposed subscription, the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Company will obligate itself to buy the iron and pay for it themselves and place it in the hands of the committee, so that in case there should happen to be any failure on their part to comply with the terms of the contract, the committee would have the iron to lay the track from Fayetteville to Wilmington.

In conclusion he alluded to the great importance of the connection to Wilmington.

Mr. B. G. Worth was called upon and stated that he did not come to make a speech. He must admit, however, his surprise at the modesty of others. He said everybody wanted to see the road built. The only question was whether the security offered was adequate.

He thought if Wilmington contributed one quarter of the amount necessary, the company ought to give us first mortgage bonds. That was a vital question that must be settled before the proposition is submitted to the people.

Mr. Worth said he agreed with Mr. Currie

as to the importance of the road, but could not think the terms liberal. People would not believe that second mortgage bonds would amount to much.

A further discussion of the matter was continued by Col. Roger Moore, Mr. Wm. Calder, Mr. R. E. Calder, Major W. L. Young, Mr. W. A. French, Mr. Love and others, all favoring the road, but arguing for better protection and guarantees to the interests of Wilmington.

Mr. Gray contended that the company was independent. Other points were open to them. They wanted a North Carolina road and desired a connection with Wilmington, but the idea would be abandoned if Wilmington don't offer suitable inducements in the way of aid in building the connecting link.

Finally, on motion of Mr. C. H. Robinson, the Chairman was authorized to appoint a committee to consult with the syndicate and report at an adjourned meeting.

The Chair asked until 8 p. m. to name the committee, when, on motion, the meeting, at half past 1 o'clock, adjourned.

Messrs. J. H. Currie, B. G. Worth, Roger Moore, C. H. Robinson and Herbert Smith, the committee appointed under the above motion, request us to state that they will make their report of their conference with the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Company on Saturday, at 11 o'clock, to a meeting of the citizens to be held at the Produce Exchange.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Another Man, Tired of Life, Attempts to Kill Himself with Laudanum.

The community was startled yesterday by the announcement of another attempt to commit suicide, which, it is understood, is likely to prove a successful one. Mr. George A. Poppe is a German resident of this city, aged about 42 years and unmarried. He has been engaged for some time past in driving a beer wagon. He has been occupying a room over the Carolina House, southeast corner of Second and Princess streets, kept by Mr. H. Hintze. Yesterday, about 11 o'clock, he drove by the saloon, but shortly returned on foot, having left the wagon in the care of the boy who accompanied him.

He asked the proprietor for a piece of paper, and it was given him, when he started up stairs, saying he would take a little nap. The singularity of his action attracted Mr. Hintze's attention, and he finally said to his clerk, Mr. H. Koch, "Wonder if Poppe is up to some such scheme as that of his friend, McCollum?" Mr. Koch immediately went up stairs and found Poppe's door fastened. There was a low partition between the room of Mr. Poppe and the one occupied by Mr. Koch. The latter got on a chair and looked over, when he saw Poppe prostrate on the floor by the side of a lounge, leaning on his elbow with his head slightly raised and resting on his hand, while upon the lounge were six two-ounce bottles bearing the inscription "Laudanum."

He shouted "Poppe, have you taken poison?" He replied that he had. Mr. Koch then hurriedly forced the door open, raised Mr. Poppe to his feet, got him down the stairs and exercised him as best he could for some time, when the sufferer finally gave out and begged to be allowed to sit down. Mr. Koch then mixed some mustard and water and gave it to him, but without effect, and he soon afterwards became speechless and unconscious, in which condition he was still lying at a late hour last evening.

As soon as possible after the discovery of the would-be-suicide messengers were dispatched for physicians, and finally Drs. Figford and Storm responded, and did everything they could to restore the man to consciousness.

On the lounge near where Mr. Poppe was lying were found a receipt book, an account book, a letter from his old home in Hamburg, dated October, 1873; a withdrawal card from the Order of Knights of Pythias; a motto, inscribed "Gott sei mit dir"—"God be with you"; a badge of the Howard Association of Memphis; and the paper obtained from Mr. Hintze, upon which he had written the words: "Mr. W. Nehls, "Hamburg. "My ring must be given to Mr. G. Baumann."

On his bed, also, were found clean undergarments, which he had taken out of his trunk, as is supposed to be used in his instrument.

Mr. Poppe went to Memphis during the yellow fever epidemic of 1878, in company with Messrs. Baumann and McCollum, as stated by us. He has sisters living at Hamburg.

P. S.—Mr. Poppe died about 10 o'clock last night.

Base Ball Playing This Afternoon.

Mr. W. H. Kurtz, pitcher, and Mr. C. F. Kochooghy, catcher, arrived last evening and will be with the "Seaside" in their first practice game this (Friday) evening, at 4 o'clock.

OPERA HOUSE.

Two Johns. The Two Johns Comedy Company played last night at the Opera House, and gave one of the funniest and most enjoyable entertainments we have had this season.

The large audience which assembled were most lavish in their praise, and the Company were most deserving of it. The Two Johns are immense in every sense of the word, and the parts they performed were so well done and so ludicrous, that none could refrain from laughter.

There is nothing more conducive to health than a good hearty laugh, and there is no surer or better way of obtaining this than by going to hear the Two Johns.

The support of the Company is excellent, and the play is interspersed with songs which were well rendered and well received.

Bishop Keane's Second Lecture. A large and appreciative audience again greeted Bishop Keane on the delivery of his second lecture last evening in St. Thomas' Catholic church.

The subject was "The Light of the World." He had on the previous evening given a graphic description of scenes and places as he witnessed them in his pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and at the close of this lecture he announced that this was an imperfect description of the setting for them—"The Light of the World." For what would more naturally follow a description of the Holy Land than to speak of Him who made that land holy? Seldom has an audience an opportunity of listening to such fervid eloquence on the majestic and touching theme. And yet it was not in the way of a sermon, nor with a view of impressing upon his hearers any particular teaching of Christ, that the distinguished lecturer placed before his audience His infinite perfection in all its lovable beauty.

It was simply a magnificent limning of the Great Figure, that stands isolated and unapproachable in the pages of all history—sacred and profane. We do not offer our readers even a synopsis of this exceedingly instructive discourse. We have not space, and the hour at which we write is late. And to give anything like a correct impression of its scope and argument would compel us to draw upon the history of the human race from the fall of Adam to the present moment—upon the history of the Hebrews and the teachings of the Prophets—upon the history of the nations as they were scattered over the earth and grew in the multiplicity of their errors while they wandered from the light—upon the history of the rising up from the darkness of Paganism such characters as Buddha, Zoroaster, Confucius, Socrates and Plato, who, realizing each for his own people that there must be a loftier and better religion than that which had sway in China, in Hindoostan, in Persia, or in Greece, made use of the only fragment of light that was left them to set up that better religion. We would have to show, as the lecturer said, how all these pointed, with the same unerring certainty as divine revelation, to Him who came upon earth to be "the Light of the World."

The discourse was the masterly effort of a mind fully stored and well equipped, presenting a philosophic view of the subject, which was replete with information and full of pious reflection.

Bigamy. One Daniel Anderson, alias Daniel Williams, a colored man of this city, was arrested a day or two ago on the charge of bigamy. The case came up before Justice Mills for preliminary examination, and the evidence adduced was to the effect that Anderson's first wife left here some four or five years ago and went to Virginia, and here lately he got tired of "single blessedness" and married another woman. He seems to have thought that his first wife had been absent a sufficient length of time to absolve him from allegiance to her, but in this he was mistaken. He was required to give bond and security in the sum of \$300 for his appearance at the next term of the Criminal Court, failing in which he was sent to jail. He is said to be a preacher.

Carolina Yacht Club. The annual meeting of the Carolina Yacht Club will be held on the first Monday in May. We are glad to hear that the Club is already preparing in a quiet way for the summer campaign. At least four or five new and handsome yachts have been purchased for the coming season, one of them by Commodore Jones.

Mayor's Court. The only case before the Mayor's Court yesterday morning was that of Frank Holmes, a colored youth, charged with interfering with the street hands while engaged in driving hoops to the pound which were found running at large in the streets. He was sent below for five days.

Personal. Mr. W. H. Kirby, of New York, the well known railroad contractor, was here yesterday.

President Gray and friends will leave for home this morning.

—Rev. Oscar Miller, colored, wishes to announce that he will baptize six persons at Castle Hayne, on Sunday.

Coughs and Colds can be cured with a bottle of Sarsaparilla of Par. Only 25c. For sale by Hunds Bros.

DEED. POPPE. In this city, on yesterday, G. A. POPPE, a native of Hamburg, Germany, aged 42 years.

Friends and acquaintances requested to attend the funeral, from residence of Mr. H. Hintze, at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

RATES OF ADVERTISING. One Square One Day, 25c. Two Days, 40c. Three Days, 50c. Four Days, 60c. Five Days, 70c. One Week, 1.00. Two Weeks, 1.50. Three Weeks, 2.00. One Month, 3.00. Two Months, 5.00. Three Months, 7.00. Six Months, 12.00. One Year, 20.00.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. G. McGUIRE, Auctioneer. BY COLLIER & CO. THIS DAY, AT 10 O'CLOCK, WE WILL SELL, at our Sales Room, Emory and Harness Streets, a consignment of Pennsylvania and Georgia Lard, also Carpet, almost new Looking Glass, Cheese, Cocoanuts, Nuts, &c. at 34 1/2 It.

Wanted, SECOND-HAND COUNTER OR TABLE, DESK AND SHELVING—CHEAP. Address "CASH," ap 24 1/2 Care of Star Office.

Howard Relief Fire Engine Co. No. 1. ATTENTION MEMBERS:—You are hereby ordered to appear at your Engine House, at 7:30 o'clock this evening, for business of importance. Honorary Members are requested to attend. By order of the President, J. G. L. GIBSON, Sec'y.

Boys' Spring Suits. A LARGE AND VARIED ASSORTMENT OF BOYS' AND YOUTH'S SUITS, we make the above a specialty, and can offer as an inducement the best goods at the lowest prices. The Imperial Suit, all sizes, and the popular, at HUNSON'S Clothing Rooms. ap 24 1/2

Spring Hats! IF YOU WISH STRAWS ASK FOR THEM. HARRISON & ALLEN, Hatters. ap 24 1/2

Low Shoes! FOR GENTS AND LADIES WEAR. LOW IN Price, High in Quality, Very Stylish, Easy Fitting, and Pretty to the Eye. Come and examine stock at Geo. B. French & Sons, 108 NORTH FRONT STREET. ap 24 1/2

Standard Organs, MANUFACTURED BY PLEUBERT & COMPANY. Over 123,244 in use. Every Organ guaranteed for five years. A large assortment just received at HENSBERGER'S. THE BAUS PIANOS. THE WHEELLOCK PIANOS. THE STEFF PIANOS. Are for sale at HENSBERGER'S Live Book and Music Stores. ap 24 1/2

"Fire-Proof Oil" IS BETTER THAN "KEROSENE OIL" OR any other Burning Oil. Can be used in any lamp. For sale by HOLMES & WATTERS, 7 North Front St. HENRY BAAR, 701 Chestnut St. W. G. OFFER, 170 W. Front Street. GIBSON & BRO., corner Chestnut and Market. F. H. SMITH, corner 4th and Campbell. J. C. STEVENSON & CO., 817 North Fourth St. B. H. J. ALBERTS, corner 7th and Market St. J. C. STEVENSON, 181 Market St. R. SCHULLEN, corner 4th and Walnut St. J. H. BOSCH, No. 501 North Fourth St. Watch this list and see it grow. mh 29 1/2

Auction Sale. BY ORDER OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE N. C. State Exposition Company, we will sell at Public Auction, at the Court House door, in Raleigh, N. C., on May 14th, 1885, at one o'clock P. M. The Main Exposition Building, 328,238 feet, containing 170 Window Frames, 600,000 lbs. of 14-plated and fitted; 4 large vans, with locks and hinges; 8 small doors; 874 squares felt roofing; 230 bolts, 1,176 bolts, 1,176 lbs. lumber; main building, over 500,000 feet. Also, Machinery, Shed, 100,000 feet, covered with felt roofing, and a quantity of second hand lumber. W. S. PHIMROSE, President. H. R. FRIES, Secretary. ap 21 1/2 May 15

New Berne Rice Mill for Sale. THIS VALUABLE PROPERTY IS OFFERED at private sale, for a division, consisting of one 40-Horse Engine, two Cylinder Boilers, of more than ample capacity, nine Brotherhood Patent Pumps, with all Fixtures and Machinery necessary for turning out first class goods. Can be seen now in daily operation. Located on Trent River, near Union Point, with good wharf attached, where any vessel can load which can come in at Hatteras. The Mill is offered with or without the real estate on which it is situated. For particulars apply to MRS. E. B. ELLIS, Executor. ap 17 1/2 Newbern, N. C.

For Sale, THE HOUSE AND LOT ON THE northwest corner of Third and Chestnut streets. For terms, etc., address P. O. BOX NO. 722, Jacksonville, Florida. ap 19 1/2 19, 24 1/2

Annual Meeting. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CAROLINA CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at the Company's Office, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., on Thursday, the 7th day of May, at 11 o'clock A. M. ap 17 1/2 JOHN H. SHARP, Secretary.

Notice to Rail Road Contractors. THE WILMINGTON & WELDON RAIL ROAD COMPANY invite proposals for the Graduation, Masonry and Concrete Bridge, near Wilson, and Fayetteville, seventy miles in length. Proposals, with evidence of ability to perform their proposed contracts. Monthly payments to be made on the 15th of each month. Contractors wanting information and making proposals will address Fleming Gardner, Chief Engineer, at Wilmington, care of W. & W. R. R. Co. Proposals must be filed before the 28th day of April. The contracts will be awarded upon the 30th of April. Contractors must submit with their bids evidence of their ability to perform their proposed contracts. Monthly payments to be made on the 15th of each month. Contractors wanting information and making proposals will address Fleming Gardner, Chief Engineer, at Wilmington, care of W. & W. R. R. Co. Proposals may be for the work by sections of ten miles, or for one half of the whole of the work. H. R. BRIDGES, President. mh 31 1/2 1885