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OUTLINES.

The French political situation is very complicated; President Grevy has postponed his resignation...

A good many Northern authors of distinction—Lowell, Howells, Warner, Curtis, Stockton, Cable and so on, have been giving readings in New York...

Howells and others of the North were received with great demonstration of applause.

The surplus taxes must be reduced. By what method shall they be reduced? In 1801, Gallatin wrote to Jefferson...

In 1801, the total revenue taxes amounted to only about \$1,000,000. There was no huge war debt to pay and there was no use for the money.

Senator Gorman, of Maryland, is confident that a tariff bill will be passed during the approaching session of Congress.

Great Wooling Scene, from "Richard III."

In anticipation of a visit from the Rev. R. G. Pearson, the noted evangelist, it is proposed to build a tabernacle—a temporary structure—on the vacant lot on Fifth street...

One of the inducements offered to attend the Oyster, Fish and Game Fair at Beaufort, N. C., on December 14, 15 and 16, will be a boat race daily.

The German barque Atlas cleared yesterday for Bridgetown Barbadoes, with 170,000 feet of lumber and 171,450 shingles, valued at \$3,870.

There was only one case for the Mayor's consideration yesterday—a colored man charged with fast driving.

Rev. Dr. Rumble writes to Rev. J. W. Primrose: "Be sure to yet a hall big enough." [For services to be conducted by Mr. Pearson.]

H. P. Morgan, who had been in jail for fourteen months, was released yesterday. Morgan had been convicted of setting fire to his store on South Second street...

The following is a statement of the exports to foreign countries from this port during the month of November, as compiled from the books at the Custom House:

England—Cotton, 26,277 bales, valued at \$1,320,552; rosin, 29,004 barrels, valued at \$35,482; spirits turpentine, 114,427 gallons, valued at \$30,118; pine fibre, three bales, valued at \$36. British West Indies—Lumber, 175,000 feet, valued at \$2,635; shingles, 335,000, valued at \$1,675.

Argentine Republic—Rosin, 1,342 barrels, valued at \$3,130; lumber, 227,000 feet, valued at \$4,025. Belgium—Rosin, 1,777 barrels, \$1,923; spirits turpentine, 36,978 gallons, valued at \$12,757.

French West Indies—Lumber, 326,000 feet, valued at \$5,377. Hayti—Rosin, 10 barrels, valued at \$12; tar, 20 barrels, \$35; pitch, 20 barrels, \$35; lumber, 691,000 feet, \$9,828; shingles, 70,000, \$401; spirits turpentine, 90 gallons, \$34.

San Domingo—Lumber, 233,000 feet, valued at \$3,150. U. S. of Columbia—Lumber, 120,000 feet, valued at \$3,414.

Police Record for November. The total amount of fines collected in the Mayor's Court during the month of November is \$101.55.

The total number of arrests made during the month was 98—54 colored and 44 white persons. Thirty-five arrests were made for disorderly conduct and twenty-seven were run in as tramps.

The police found twelve places of business left open at night, and report six alarms of fire during the month.

Cotton Movement. Receipts of cotton at this port from September 1st to December 1st, aggregate 124,180 bales, as against 89,183 bales for the same months last year.

Receipts for the month of November, 1887, were 41,679, against 34,489 bales received the same month last year, an increase of 6,190 bales.

The stock at this port December 1st, 1887, is given as 17,628 bales, against 25,902 at the same date last year. Total exports since September 1st, are 107,200 bales; against 63,447 at same time last year.

The Markets. All the markets are on a boom, and wheat and corn and cotton and pork and ribs are "climbing up the golden stair" and leaving the bears behind.

Wheat has made a steady and healthy advance, and corn has risen rapidly and astonishingly, while the "despised" cereal, oats, has shown surprising activity, and the "poor man's deal," as a "flyer" in oats is called, is bulging the pockets of those fortunate enough to have bought a little down in the twenty-nines.

Corn has fairly astonished the natives and seems to be pluming itself for a higher flight, and a prominent bear in Chicago, who has had to change his tactics and opinion on this article, gravely asserts it will reach near sixty cents for May.

The little bears charge up their losses and take the bull side and win it back. There is no use fighting sentiment, and the country and the traders have evidently concluded corn is a good thing to buy.

Cotton scores a daily advance and the believers in higher prices are numerous. Some sanguine "bulls" are predicting fancy prices for the spring months, but there are some bears that think the top is almost reached.

Should Bradstreet's Report confirm the estimates lately made by the Cotton World and Agricultural Bureau, the price of the staple will advance materially.

The Wilmington Ministers. The prospective "Banjo and Bone" troupe became a reality last evening, when the chief agitators of the movement called a meeting at Messrs. Dick & Meares' store to organize the Club.

The following officers were elected: President—W. A. Dick. Vice President—Geo. W. Chestnut. Secretary and Treasurer—J. W. Stedman.

Business Manager—C. C. Chadbourne. Musical Director—Professor A. T. Holmes.

The organization is to be designated as the Wilmington Minstrels, and is to consist of about thirty members, representing the best local musical talent and the most noted wits, humorists and "Old Sports" of this section.

The object of the association is to give several performances during the present season for the benefit of some charitable institution.

The organizers are excellent representatives of the progressive young America, of this city, and with proper encouragement they will, no doubt, accomplish their aim and amuse our people as well as assist a worthy cause.

An Important Meeting. A meeting of the stockholders of the Water Works company was held last night and from all that could be learned it seems very probable that the company will try the experiment of boring artesian wells, and it is hoped that the venture will be a successful one.

Mr. C. H. Ray, representing the firm of Ray & Hambley, contractors for boring wells, is in the city, and has submitted a proposition to the Water Works company and it is rumored that a contract has been made, though it has not been officially announced yet.

Messrs. Ray & Hambley have recently bored wells for the city of Fernandina and also for the Cresote Company in that city which proved very satisfactory. The public generally will be much gratified if the Water Works Company will bore wells, for if they produce good water, the benefit will be incalculable and will show an enterprise in the company which cannot fail to receive commendation.

Wilmington to be the Next Place of Meeting of the Lutheran Synod. The United Synod of the Lutheran Church, which has been in session several days at Savannah, Ga., adjourned last Tuesday to meet in this city on the third Thursday in November, 1887.

The synod passed resolutions extending their thanks to the Rev. Dr. Bowman and the people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Savannah for courtesies extended, and to the Rev. F. W. E. Peschan for his consideration in looking out for the members and caring for them.

Dr. Henkel was appointed visitor to the General Council and Rev. Mr. Peschan delegate to the General Synod.

Naval Stores. Total receipts of spirits turpentine at this port since April 1st, 1887, 56,369 casks, against 51,047 for the same months last year.

Receipts of rosin are also in excess of the receipts last year; up to December 1st, the figures being 217,567 against 209,981 barrels. In crude turpentine the receipts this year are 18,814 barrels, against 17,888 last year.

Tar is the only article showing a falling off in receipts, the figures being 38,696 barrels this year against 39,839 last season up to December 1st.

M. E. CONFERENCE. First Day's Session—More Than 250 Ministers and Delegates Present.

[Special Correspondence.] FAYETTEVILLE, November 30.—The Conference opened Tuesday night with a powerful sermon on "The Pentecost," by Bishop Key.

The congregation was stirred to the utmost limits. At the close of the sermon the Bishop called all the ministers to the altar for a consecration prayer, which was led by Rev. P. J. Carraway.

At 9 o'clock to-day the first business session was held. Donald W. Bain, of Raleigh, was elected Secretary, and Rev. W. L. Cunningham and three other ministers were elected assistants.

The roll was called and more than two hundred and fifty ministers and delegates answered to the roll-call—an unusually large attendance for the first call.

The Bishop then called for reports from the thirteen presiding Elders. The reports were full of encouraging news, and the fact that their work had been well done. All of them passed as to character.

Rev. J. T. Harris, of Newbern District, seems to be the "model" Presiding Elder. His reports were full of reports from the churches in his district. Reports were very encouraging.

Sixteen young men are asking for admission to the Conference. The most of them will be admitted. The usual committees were appointed on all the Church relations, and the Conference adjourned at 1:30 p. m.

Preaching to-night by Revs. Jessie H. Page and D. H. Tuttle at the two Methodist churches. SECOND DAY.

Dec. 1, 1887.—Conference convened at 9:30 this morning. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. T. H. Pegram of the Greensboro District.

The Conference roll was called, an additional arrival of ministers and delegates noted. Col. Palmer, Business Manager of the Southern Methodist Publishing House, was introduced to the Conference and talked as to the interest of the house which he represented in a most flourishing condition.

He says his accounts against North Carolina preachers are worth 100 cents on the dollar—the exceptions are "scarce as hen's teeth." Col. Palmer said that the circulation of the Nashville Christian Advance was 30,000 and on a steady increase.

The "class of the first year" was called at this point—his reports heard, which showed that no man need despise the work of their youth as ministers. The class stood well on their examination and were continued on trial.

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There is a large attendance of ladies, whose smiling presence adds to the beauty of the gathering—how they make the young preachers feel like a spring morning. The Bishop continues to impress every one as a man of deep spirituality—he urges the church to holy living in all their relations of life.

Dr. James E. Mann will preach in the Methodist church tonight, Dr. J. R. Brooks in the Baptist church. Conference adjourned at one o'clock with benediction by the Bishop.

Death of Mrs. Mary Wallace. It is with feelings of sadness we chronicle the decease of this estimable lady. For some time past her health has been failing, but not until the last few days was her condition considered critical.

She was the wife of Mr. S. D. Wallace, and only a year or so ago they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. She was a life-long and consistent member of the Methodist Church, and her acts of charity, her kindness, her willingness to assist those whom fortune had not favored, will cause her to be remembered long and pleasantly by those to whom her virtues had endeared her.

We extend to the family our warmest sympathies in this dark hour of their affliction and bereavement. Harbor Master's Report. Capt. Price, harbor master, reports the following arrivals at this port for the month of November:

AMERICAN. Steamers... 6—5,236 tons. Barques... 1—382 " Schooners... 13—3,558 " Total... 20 9,466 "

FOREIGN. Steamers... 5—5,230 " Barques... 17—7,830 " Brigs... 4—1,097 " Schooners... 1—111 " Total... 27 14,258 "

Weather indications. The following are the indications for to-day, received at 1 a. m.:

For Virginia, warmer fair weather, light to fresh variable winds, becoming southerly over interior.

North Carolina and South Carolina, slightly warmer fair weather, light to fresh north-easterly winds, diminishing in force on N. C. coast.

THE RAIL. The main line and arrive at the City Post Office as follows: CLOAK. Northern through and way mails... 10:30 P. M. Northern through and way mails... 8:30 A. M.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY. Western mails, C. C. Railway... 9:50 A. M. Fayetteville, G. R. Y. H. & C. Railway... 9:30 A. M.

OPEN MAIL DELIVERY. Northern through and way mails... 10:30 P. M. Southern through and way mails... 8:30 A. M.

Stamp Office open from 7:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M. Money Order and Register Department open 9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. Every Mother should have this in her household. It is the best remedy for all the ailments of children.

WALLACE. In this city, November 30th, 1887. MARY, wife of Stephen D. Wallace, aged 77 years. Funeral will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

IN MEMORIAM. Mrs. MARY WALLACE, beloved wife of S. D. Wallace, of this city, passed peacefully away last evening, Nov. 30th, aged nearly 77 years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Auction Sale of Furniture. AT 11 O'CLOCK TO-DAY, WE WILL SELL AT our Sales Rooms three Bedsteads, one Marble Top Bureau, two chairs, one sofa, three Heating Stoves, Stoves, Glassware, Tinware, Crockery, Lamps, &c. COLLIER & CO. Auctioneers.

Public Meeting. A CALL IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MEETING of citizens to protest against the action of the Board of Commissioners of the Wilmington Opera House, in withdrawing reserved seats after advertising the same for sale.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. OPERA HOUSE. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS, AND SATURDAY MATINEE, DECEMBER 2d and 3d, 1887.

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Kid Gloves. Ladies' Colored KID GLOVES, 4 Buttons, 60c. Ladies' Colored KID GLOVES, 4 Buttons, 75c.

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Seal Plush Jackets, One of the most popular styles produced. NEW MARKETS AND DRIVING COATS.

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