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MORNING EDITION.

OUTLINES.

The Senate was principally occupied yesterday with the consideration of Mr. Chandler's resolution for an enquiry into the recent municipal election in Jackson, Miss., which was finally adopted by a strict party vote, except that Mr. Riddleberger voted with the Democrats...

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The latest is that Russia is reducing her war budget. But she is moving divisions to the front all the same. Unless the Czar has got used to having his life plotted against he must be a very miserable man. He ought to be either a saint or a devil. Talmage went to see Booth and Barrett in "Julius Caesar." T. De Witt wishes to learn a few new actions. But does he set a good example?

It is said now that the Republican members of the House Committee on Elections will report favorably as to Carlisle's title to his seat. It is a very clear case we suppose.

It is said in Washington that on Saturday Mr. Carlisle will knock the entire bottom out of the Thoebe romance. The fiction will be completely destroyed, including the preface and "the end."

Senator Voorhees has introduced a National Bank bill that was drawn by Mr. Trenholm, Comptroller of the Currency. It regulates that a majority of the directors must not be bank officers, and they must be sworn to perform their duties.

Georgia has five chairmanships in the House. Maryland has one chairmanship. The Democrats are good to Georgia.—Baltimore American, Rep.

THE MORNING STAR.

The Columbia Register has been better under the editorship of Mr. John P. Thomas than ever before. He understands the business, and we regret he has retired. He goes out because he was not in harmony with the proprietor upon an issue involving principle. That is right and honorable and manly. Oh, for more such editors in the South. Col. Thomas will not sacrifice duty and conscience at the bid of expediency. We have great respect for such a man and hope to see him soon using his fine abilities in behalf of right principle and genuine Democracy.

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His name ought to be passed around. Chaplain Milburn, of the House of Representatives, is 66 years old, and is said to be excellently preserved, mentally and physically. He is a delightful old man, and is a wonderful elocutionist and a speaker. He has a prescription for maintaining health and youth—frequent bathing, plenty of exercise in the open air, slow, judicious eating, and avoidance of hot meat.

The Goldsboro Argus, that has a warm spot in its heart for Randall, says: "As foreshadowed by the papers that profess to know Randall's course will be very much as it has been heretofore. He seems in no way inclined to be dictated to by a caucus."

If he is above caucuses he ought to take down his Democratic colors and quit masquerading as such. Our Methodist friends will no doubt be glad to learn that their great publishing house at Nashville, Tenn., is at last out of debt. Now let the managers put up books in more attractive style—like those of the great Northern private publishing houses—and sell them at greatly reduced rates. At the right price four times as many books can be sold.

THE CITY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. MUNSOM—Low prices. COLLIER & Co.—Auction sale. OPERA HOUSE—Mendelssohn Club. H. L. PENNELL—Bargains for cash. McMILLAN BROS.—Turpentine stills. E. WARREN & SON—Something new. G. W. LINDBER & Co.—Copartnership.

An Earthquake. A sharp shock of earthquake was felt in this city about ten minutes before ten o'clock yesterday morning. The movement was apparently from west to east, and its duration about two seconds. While it was sufficient to cause timbers in buildings to creak and chandeliers to sway in some instances, many persons did not notice it, or if they did, ascribed its effects to other and less alarming causes. At Tleston school some of the children were very much alarmed. Many of them ran out of the building, and a few were so badly frightened that they did not stop running until they reached their homes. In a few moments, however, the alarm subsided and the children returned to their class rooms.

The shock was more severe at other places, and caused great alarm in Augusta, Savannah, Charleston and Columbia. A special dispatch to the STAR from Charlotte says: "Two slight shocks of earthquake were felt here this morning—the first at 9:54 o'clock, the second eight seconds later. Signal officer Barry says the vibration was from north to south. The shock was greater in the western portion of the city. A mirror was shaken off a mantel at Mr. P. E. Linnell's house. No other damage is reported. People are excited, however, fearing another 1888 disaster."

Local Dots.—The lurid glare in the sky east of the city last night it is said was caused by a fire in the woods. —The Mendelssohn Quintette Club arrived last evening. They have the promise of a crowded house to-night. —There will be a prayer meeting to-night at Bladen street M. E. Church, to which the public is invited. —Families desiring choice cakes can secure them at Col. Roger Moore's residence on Chesnut street, opposite the Post Office.

Receipts of cotton yesterday 201 bales; the same day last year 654. Increase in receipts over last year to date 33,860 bales. —The boom in turpentine continues. Spirits sold at 40 cents per gallon yesterday and crude advanced to \$2.15 for virgin and yellow dip and \$1.25 for hard.

Steamer Cape Fear, from Fayetteville, arrived here yesterday afternoon, and left on the return trip about seven o'clock in the evening with a full freight. —A burning chimney at the Commercial Hotel created a little excitement in that neighborhood yesterday morning about half-past 11 o'clock. No damage resulted.

Messrs. E. Peschau & Westermann cleared the German barque Constantin Von Reintcke yesterday for Stettin, with a cargo of 3,000 barrels of rosin, valued at \$3,050. —A congratulatory telegram was sent yesterday by the Wardens of Wilmington Lodge No. 319 to Most Worthy Grand Master C. H. Robinson, of the Grand Lodge of Masons now in session at Raleigh.

Capt. Schlar, Superintendent of Streets, was struck on the head and knocked down by a falling board yesterday morning while in the excavation in front of Miss Hart's school room. He was not seriously injured. —Henry J. Jackson, the white man charged with the larceny of thirty-five dollars from J. T. Layburn, was arraigned before Justice Mills yesterday. There was no evidence, however, to sustain the charge against the prisoner and the magistrate ordered his release.

The street railway and the railroad to the Sound are coming to the fore again. Gentlemen from Charlotte, who are interested in the street railway in that city, were here yesterday with the purpose, it is said, of making arrangements for the construction of the roads mentioned.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley. A number of the officials of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway arrived here yesterday to confer with the commission appointed by the Board of Aldermen to arrange terms with the railroad company for the extension of the road to this city. A meeting was held during the forenoon in the office of the Mayor at the City Hall, but without transacting any business the conference adjourned to meet this afternoon at half-past three o'clock.

The railroad company was represented at the meeting by Mr. Julius A. Gray, the President; Maj. H. T. Morehead, Mr. John D. Williams and Mr. J. A. Graves. The commissioners present were Col. W. L. DeRosset, Col. Roger Moore, and Messrs. B. G. Worth, J. H. Chadbourne and B. F. Hall.

Seriously Injured. A middle-aged man, apparently a farmer, and whose name is supposed to be L. Fining, from papers found on his person, was seriously, if not fatally injured at Wadesboro Wednesday night, in attempting to leave the train on the Carolina Central railroad after it was in motion. As the train was pulling out from the depot, the man jumped and in falling struck the depot platform. His right leg was broken, and it is supposed he suffered severe internal injuries, as when found he was bleeding profusely from the mouth and was unable to speak. Conductor Welch stopped the train and had the man removed to the depot and left in charge of the agent, who at once summoned a physician to attend him. Fining got on the train at Charlotte.

St. Paul's Church Entertainment. The entertainment given last night at Col. Roger Moore's residence, for the benefit of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, was heartily enjoyed by all present. An abundance of refreshments, in great variety, were served by the ladies. The literary and musical parts of the entertainment afforded much pleasure. Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Manning rendered some fine vocal selections, and recitations were given by Miss Josie Myers and Rev. and Mrs. Arnold.

Railroad Disaster Near Hickory. The accident on the Chester & Lenoir narrow gauge railroad, mentioned in the STAR yesterday, was a serious one. A passenger train of three cars went through a trestle one mile north of Hickory. The coaches took fire and were consumed. Nearly every one on board the train was injured. Rev. Mr. Beall, of Lenoir, is reported to have been mortally wounded.

The Grand Lodge resumed its sessions Wednesday morning, being called from refreshment to labor at 10 o'clock, the Grand Master presiding. The spacious Masonic Hall was well filled with delegates and attendants, composing one of the finest and most intelligent looking body of men ever seen in this city. The reception of reports was begun.

Grand Treasurer William E. Anderson's report gave a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures of the Grand Lodge. The excellence of this report shows the wisdom of the Grand Lodge in its selection of a Treasurer. Alpheus W. Wood, Senior Grand Deacon, appeared and occupied his seat.

The following appointments were made upon committees: W. P. Williams in place of H. W. Reinhart on committee No. 1, on suspensions and expulsions. E. E. Lamb in place of W. B. Boyd on committee No. 2, on suspensions and expulsions.

A. H. A. Williams presented a memorial from Oxford Lodge, No. 326, in the town of Oxford, praying for a change of place for holding the annual communications of the Grand Lodge from Raleigh to Oxford. On motion the matter was referred to a committee with instructions to report at the next annual communication upon the advisability of a change. The following committees were appointed: On the Orphan Asylum—E. S. Martin, D. A. Culbreth, A. B. Daughtrey, C. B. Edwards and N. B. Henry.

On Fraternal Dead—W. G. Campbell, W. P. Williams and A. H. Stubb. The remainder of the morning session and the whole of the afternoon session were taken up with the reports of the various committees.

At the evening session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: M. W., Charles H. Robinson, Wilmington, Grand Master; R. W., Samuel H. Smith, Winston, N. C., Deputy Grand Master; R. W., Hezekiah A. Gudgeon, Senior Grand Warden; R. W., John W. Cotton, Tarboro, Junior Grand Warden; William E. Anderson, Grand Treasurer; Donald W. Bain, Grand Secretary.

Thomas A. Green was re-elected a director of the Oxford Orphan Asylum for a period of five years. Eleven o'clock Tuesday morning was set apart for the installation of Grand Officers and Geo. W. Blount, P. G. M., was invited to perform the services. The following representatives of sister Grand Lodges were accorded a fraternal welcome: Alabama, Donald W. Bain; Arkansas, F. H. Busbee; Canada, George W. Blount; District of Columbia, Charles H. Robinson; Georgia, Donald W. Bain; Iowa, C. H. Robinson; Kansas, E. S. Martin; Maryland, H. Cowan; Minnesota, Eugene Grissom; Nova Scotia, Thomas S. Kenan; Ohio, A. M. Noble; Oregon, John W. Cotton; Vermont, Samuel Northrop; Virginia, Wm. F. Anderson.

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Storm Warning. Cautionary southeast signals were displayed at the station in this city yesterday evening, by direction of the Chief Signal Officer, for a storm advancing eastward from Iowa. Signals were also ordered up at Charleston and Morehead City.

—Br. barque Longfellow, Faraday, sailed from Cardiff for this port Jan. 4th.

THE MASON'S.

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

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Opera House. Mendelssohn Quintette Club. Friday Night, Jan. 13. Auction Sale.

Copartnership. THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS DAY entered into copartnership under the firm name of G. W. LINDBER & CO., for the purpose of conducting the Retail Grocery and Liquor business at the Store northwest corner of Front and Dock streets, and solicit a share of public patronage.

Bargains for Cash! BALANCE OF STOCK AT PRIME COST FOR CASH ONLY. A few chances on fine Harness left. H. L. PENNELL, The Horse Millier, 10 South Front St.

Attention Is Called TO THE LOW PRICES FOR BALANCE OF STOCK, EITHER OF READY-MADE CLOTHING Or Made to Order.

We think we can fit ANYBODY'S pocket! MUNSOM, Clothier and Merchant Tailor.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Inventory of Stock!

BROWN & RODDICK, 9 North Front St. PREVIOUS TO TAKING AN INVENTORY OF our stock, according to our usual custom, on Feb. 1st, we will offer some most decided Bargains in Odd Lots, in order to close them out previous to that date.

We mean business, and know that the sure way to accomplish our object is to MARK THEM DOWN TO FIGURES THAT CAN NOT FAIL TO ATTRACT ATTENTION. We can only give a short list of such at this time, as we will from day to day add others as they come up while going over our stock preparatory to Feb. 1st. Now is your opportunity for Bargains.

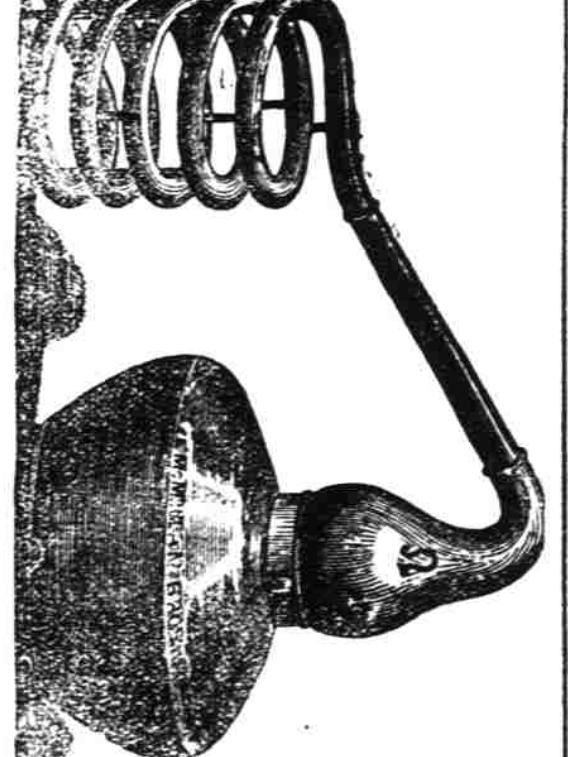
Ladies' Made-Up Underwear, FLANNEL SKIRTS. Ladies' Collars 5 cents each; part of this lot were sold at 20 cts.

ALL FANCY GOODS REDUCED AWAY DOWN. ODD LOTS IN LADIES' & GENTS' HANDKERCHIEFS. RIDER DOWN CLOTHS LOWER THAN EVER.

Cloaks and Jackets never offered at such figures before. Blankets and Comforters. The prices of these should induce many to procure now and carry them over to next season.

Ladies' Gents' & Children's Underwear. We are bound to close them out. IT WILL PAY YOU TO GIVE US A CALL.

BROWN & RODDICK, 9 NORTH FRONT STREET, Jan 8th.



Turpentine Stills.

WE HAVE ON HAND SIX NEW STILLS from 12 to 15 barrel capacity. Ten new Worms for 12, 15, 20 and 25 barrel Stills. Fifteen new Worms for 30 to 40 barrel Stills. Also a lot of good Second-Hand Stills and Worms, from 8 to 25 barrel capacity. Still Bottoms from 60 to 80 inches diameter; patches all sizes. Old Stills taken in exchange for new ones. Repairing through the country promptly done by experienced Smiths and WARRANTED. Call on or address

McMILLAN BROS., Jan 13th th su Fayetteville, N. C. JUST OUT! Raspberry Jelly, Chocolate Drops DICKENS' CHOCOLATE BON-BONS. Nanon Chocolate Cream, SOMETHING NEW. E. Warren & Son, EXCHANGE CORNER. Bargains in Second-Hand PIANOS AND ORGANS.

ONE SOHMER UPRIGHT CABINET GRAND, only used a short time. One 7-Octave Square Knabe & Co. Piano \$85. One Geo. Wood's Cabinet Organ in magnificent case. One Mason & Hamlin Organ \$55. Also a fine assortment of new Instruments.

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Table with rates of advertising: One Day, Two Days, Three Days, Four Days, Five Days, One Week, Two Weeks, Three Weeks, One Month, Two Months, Three Months, One Year.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

John J. Hedrick, January 6th, 1888.

We want to talk to our friends about Towels. Towels are an interesting subject to all nice Housekeepers.

We have a weakness that way, and consequently find ourselves overstocked. We do not design to exaggerate, but confidently believe that we have more Towels than any two stores in the city, and have always sold them cheaper. We intend to sell them cheaper yet.

Listen, our 37 cents Damask Towels with fancy border, have been reduced to 25c. We sold a Scotch Huck Towel very large size at \$3 per dozen, they are worth \$4, these we let you have at \$2.75.

We give you a Huck Towel that would be cheap at 20c for 15c. A pure Linen Huck Towel, a little smaller size, at 10c. Cotton Towels as low as 5c, and elegant Towels up to \$1.50 each, which will be sold at a reduction.

To those who are well posted, the superiority and cheapness of our Linen stock are as familiar as "household words."

The prices named above are for cash, but prompt paying customers will get them all the same. If you desire to derive the benefit of the above offer, call early.

So much for Towels. Next week we will give you some information in relation to other goods.

Respectfully, J. J. H.

Neat and Pretty. A WELL FITTING SHOE MAKES A NEAT and pretty looking foot.

Best Styles of Ladies', Gents', Misses' and Children's SHOES in the city, and best fitting, at Geo. R. French & Sons, 108 NORTH FRONT STREET.

Smith & Boatwright, GENERAL Insurance Agents, No. 124 NORTH WATER STREET. No. 73 TELEPHONE. Jan 8th

Take Notice! I AM OFFERING THE LARGEST AND BEST assorted stock of Cigars, Tobacco and Snuff to be found in the city, at prices that will astonish you. Respectfully, SAM'L BEAR, SA., 10 Market street.

Plows, Castings, AND A FULL LINE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. Superior Handled and Eye Hook, Shovels, Spades, & Builders' Hardware and Steel Nails. Prices guaranteed.

FOR XMAS. I HAVE IN STOCK AND TO ARRIVE PLUSH DRESSING CASES, SHIRTING SHIRTS, ODOR CASES, MANICURE SETS, BABY SETS, Novelties &c., which I am offering very low.

REAL ESTATE AGENT. No. 113 NORTH SECOND ST. Parties wishing to buy or sell Real Estate, and those having Estates to manage and Rentals to collect, would do well to call on me.

Select American Series. PRUNETTE AND BLONDE by Mrs. McVeach Miller; THE SENATOR'S BRIDE, by Mrs. McVeach Miller; VERA VERNE, by Miss Sumner Hayden; BONNY DEAN, and a Series 'Titled, by Mrs. E. Burke Collins; A Wedded Widow on the Love That Lives, by T. W. Hanks.