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A friend at Oxford writes us that a party of twenty or more in that thriving, growing "city" desired to visit Wrightsville, but found no railroad reduction fare to Wilmington from Oxford or Henderson. Our friend says:

"There are a great many people in this section that would like to visit Wilmington and its summer resorts, but they never have any inducements thrown out to them to do so."

He wishes to know if the W. & W., as reported, will sell a round trip to Carolina Beach and return for one fare. He hopes the railroads will not neglect that section but give them a chance to come to Wilmington. We are unable to give the information sought. He says there are almost every week cheap excursion rates to Portsmouth and Norfolk for \$2.50 from Oxford and return—some 300 miles. With low rates he thinks Wilmington would get many visitors from that section of the State.

The Washington correspondent of the N. Y. Herald writes:

"Mr. Lycurgus Dalton, the Postmaster of the House of Representatives, has returned from a visit to his home in Indiana. Mr. Dalton says there is no doubt that Cleveland and Thurman will carry Indiana, notwithstanding General Harrison's supposed popularity in the State. He was recently reported in the Republican press that he well-known Democrats in Cambridge, Ind., had declared for Harrison. Through a friend in this city, whose home is in Cambridge, the matter was investigated. Five of the gentlemen said they had no idea how the matter originated, and the sixth said that, while he was not satisfied with Mr. Cleveland's administration, he had never entertained the slightest intention of voting for Harrison."

Our friend at Oxford, copied from elsewhere, writes this of the growth of that town:

"Oxford is growing right along—fifteen or twenty new stores and lots of new dwellings are going up. We have two new banks located in two weeks; one to be opened by J. C. & A. G. Cooper, and one by Venable, Baskin & Co. from South Carolina. The Oxford & Durham Railroad is about completed, and they expect to have trains on it by the 15th. The grading force quit work on the 4th and have taken contracts to finish the work on Durham & Northern Railroad from Durham to Henderson. Our soldier boys were well pleased with Wrightsville and are anxious to make it the place for annual encampments."

A venerable friend in our town hands us the following which appeared in the Baltimore American. It rebukes a very offensive style, a very disgusting and growing habit. It says:

"Many a political speech is like the present style of girls' sleeves. It is so fluffy and so puffy that it is hard to tell how much there is in it. The dude readily solves the mystery. When he walks with a girl he grasps her by the arm, above the elbow, and seems to be taking her prisoner and leading her to the station house."

The following we copy from the N. Y. Times as one of the signs of the campaign:

"The Rev. John D. Grandison, of North Carolina, Dr. Allen R. Hader, of Georgia, the Hon. Silas W. Taylor, of Virginia, and George W. Outland, of North Carolina, and the Rev. Dr. Kinzelow, colored orators, were in the city yesterday on their way to Indiana to speak during the coming campaign. Mr. Outland and Dr. Kinzelow are Democrats, and the rest Protestants. They are trained orators, and will confine their labors to their own people."

Wreck on the C. & A. R. R.—Charlotte Chronicle.

The southbound passenger train which left this city last Sunday afternoon on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta road, was wrecked at a point 22 miles south of Charlotte. The engine encountered an obstruction that had been placed on the track, and a fearful wreck ensued. No one on board the train was killed outright, but five people were wounded, one of whom has since died. The names of the injured are:

James Alexander, of Columbia, the engineer in charge of the train, out on the head, scalded and bruised. J. A. Parks, of Columbia, the fireman, flesh terribly mutilated and both legs broken at the thigh. J. A. Cobb, of Columbia, baggage master, flesh lacerated and badly bruised. John Ross, colored, car groover, scalded fatally. Madison Broughton, mail agent, left shoulder dislocated.

Mayor's Court.

Tudie Macka, a young colored boy charged with larceny, was bound over to the Criminal Court in the sum of fifty dollars.

W. H. Howe, colored, charged with carrying on business as a stevedore without license, had the case transferred on affidavit to L. H. Bowden, J. P., by whom it was continued.

Henry Howard, charged with throwing stones, was discharged.

Excursion—Grace M. E. Sunday School.

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Local Notes.

During the heated term avoid over-exertion and do not eat or drink to excess.

The broken water-main at the drinking-trough on Castle and Fifth streets has been repaired.

Five new members joined the Young Men's Christian Association at the meeting held last night.

The Firemen's Tournament committee will meet this evening at half-past 8 o'clock in the "Atlantic" engine hall.

A colored man was arrested yesterday evening for stealing a ride on the street railway and taken to police headquarters.

A city reader suggests that now is the time to cut the weeds growing on vacant lots and in many of the streets, as was done last year by the city authorities.

A colored man named Sam Jones was arrested yesterday evening for cruel treatment of his sister's child. He will have a hearing before the Mayor this morning.

The Firemen's Tournament will afford another occasion for the display of flags and bunting, which our citizens will be glad to avail themselves of. "Hang the banners on the outer wall."

Among the passengers on the Clyde steamer Gulf Stream yesterday, for New York, were Rev. Mr. Peschau, wife and daughter and Mr. H. C. McQueen of this city, and Rev. Father Murray of New York.

The next race between crews of the Recreation Rowing Club will take place to-morrow afternoon at half-past six o'clock. The start will be made from Market dock and the boats will row over the same course.

The infant child of Richard Fleming, colored, living on Fourth and Harnett streets, narrowly escaped drowning yesterday afternoon by falling into a large tub full of water. The accident was discovered in time to resuscitate the child.

A special mail pouch has been placed on the Carolina Central night train—leaving Wilmington at 7:30 p. m.—with mail for points on the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. from Bennettsville to Mount Airy. This will be a great convenience to merchants and others having correspondents along the line of road.

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Carl Dabbitt, a sailor boarding house runner commonly known as "Dutch Charley," committed suicide yesterday afternoon at Mrs. Bryson's boarding house, by cutting his throat with a razor. One of Dabbitt's comrades, a man named Kinney, found the dying man lying on the platform in the dance hall just back of the bar-room, at Mrs. Bryson's and gave an alarm, when the police were notified and a physician was hurriedly summoned. Dabbitt, however, was too far gone when assistance came, and died five minutes after being removed to the City Hospital.

Mrs. Bryson told the Chief of Police that Dabbitt had been sick and despondent of late, and that yesterday morning he came into the house with his clothes dripping with water, and it was supposed that he had attempted to drown himself. Shortly after he entered the house he pulled off his coat and asked Kinney to hang it in the sun to dry, and then stretched himself on the platform in the hall. When Kinney returned from the yard he found Dabbitt lying where he had left him, with a razor in one hand and the blood gushing from a gaping wound in his throat.

Dabbitt was a native of Germany and aged about forty-five years. He had been a resident of Wilmington eight or ten years. He was a man of dissolute habits, and it is intimated that his suicide resulted from an attack of delirium tremens.

Overcome by Heat.

A colored man named Montgomery Wyatt, employed as a crank-hand by Mr. Newcomb, road-master of the W. & W. Railroad, was sun-struck yesterday afternoon, at the four-mile point on the road, while on the way to the city with the road-master's crank-car, and died just after reaching the depot, about half-past four o'clock. Wyatt's body was sent last night to his home at Richmond, Va., for interment.

Mr. Jas. Hicks, who drives a truck for Messrs. Adrian & Volders, was overcome by the heat yesterday during the forenoon at his employers' store, and was taken to his home on Church street. A physician was summoned to attend him, and under proper treatment Mr. Hicks recovered from the attack.

FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

Rules Governing the Contests.

The following are the rules which will govern the contests in the Firemen's Tournament, to be held in this city on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 15th, 16th and 17th:

HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Section 1. Trucks run by hand will be allowed not to exceed 40 men.

Section 2. Trucks run by horses will be allowed not to exceed 10 men for tournament.

Section 3. Trucks must be in same condition as when ready for fire practice.

Section 4. All trucks will rank as one class, without regard to weight.

Section 5. Trucks run by hand will run 100 yards. Trucks run by horses will run 200 yards, raise a thirty foot ladder, man ascend to top, descend and load truck, in same condition as when ready for fire practice, time to be called when truck is loaded.

Section 6. Each company shall be required to carry full line of equipment on truck.

Section 7. No company is allowed to assist another in the run, and each company is required to furnish roll of runners to Secretary on the morning of parade. No reel team will be allowed to form a truck team.

STEAMER CONTESTS.

All steamers will take their position on river front at same time. Reasonable time will be allowed to get suction overboard and fuel arranged.

Each engineer will select his own fuel.

If coal is desired it will be furnished free by Wilmington department.

Time will be taken when the word fire is given.

Each steamer contesting must show one full gale of cold water.

No punting will be allowed.

First.—Steamers forcing water through 50 feet of hose 50 feet from nozzle.

Second.—Greatest distance attained through 100 feet of hose within twenty minutes from the time of lighting fires.

In this test the judges will see that each engine uses a nozzle to correspond with its class.

If all should use the same size nozzle, then distance allowance will be made.

REEL CONTESTS.

Carriage or reel to be weighed, and one man allowed to every 100 pounds, pipeman, plugman and wrenchman not included; carriage or reel to weigh not less than 500 pounds, nor carry less than 150 feet of hose, to be connected as when ready for fire duty (three full turns), run 150 yards, unreel not less than ninety-eight feet of hose, attach the same to plug, the plug to be closed at the time of company starting on the run; screw the pipe to hose; use any size nozzle, and throw water in the shortest time.

No company is allowed to assist another in the run, and each company required to furnish roll of runners to Secretary on the morning of parade.

Fifteen minutes is allowed to each company after Judge's signal of ready, and any company failing to start within that time will be ruled out.

No one allowed inside the ropes except the company making the run. The company making the best time wins the first prize, and so on.

No snap coupling allowed in reel contests.

NOTES.

Hose, if desired, will be furnished on day of contest. Companies requiring hose are requested to let the Chief know as early as convenient before or after their arrival in the city.

Quarters for apparatus will be assigned all visiting companies free.

Board and lodging will be furnished by any hotel in the city at reasonable rates, and all runners entering the city will give reduced and special rates of fare to friends and visitors.

The prizes to be awarded to successful contestants are as follows:

Hook and Ladder Co. winning—Cash, \$50; silver article, \$15.

To steamer winning first test—Cash, \$50; silver article, \$25.

To steamer second in first test—Silver article, \$25.

To steamer winning second test—Silver article, \$25.

Weather Indications.

The following are the indications for to-day:

For North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, local rains, nearly stationary temperature, variable winds, generally southwesterly.

Young Men's Democratic Club.

There will be a meeting of the Young Men's Democratic Club of New Hanover County, at the Club rooms in Linder's Hall, corner of Orange and Front streets, this evening at half-past eight o'clock. As the committee on constitution and by-laws will report at this meeting, it is important that the full membership of the club be on hand to hear what changes are made. The committee on constitution and by-laws consists of H. Freeman, T. J. Pickett, and J. C. Morrison, Esqs.

The delegates appointed to attend the State Association of Democratic Clubs which will meet at Morehead, August 28th., consists of Messrs. H. McClammy, chairman, F. L. Meares, Jas. Barr and A. S. Holden.

The Weather.

Yesterday was the hottest day of the season—hotter than the day before by two-tenths of a degree, according to the record kept at the Signal office—and at the same time the heat was very oppressive. There was a heavy shower about 1 p. m., but it did not cool the atmosphere. The average maximum temperature in this district of the cotton region—as reported by the Signal service—was 98 degrees, made up from the following reports: Lumberton, Florence, Cheraw and Goldsboro, 100 degrees; Wadesboro, Charlotte and Newbern, 98; Raleigh, 96; Wilmington, 95 2-10ths, and Weldon 93.

The average maximum temperature in the other districts in the cotton region ranged from 94 to 98 degrees.

TARBORO BOOMING.

[Star Correspondence.]

TARBORO, N. C., August 4th, 1888. Mr. J. F. Shackelford has completed his brick building, (knitting factory) and will place in his machinery by the 15th inst.

Mr. O. C. Barrar, now at the North, has purchased machinery for the cotton factory for 6,000 spindles, and work will commence on the building as soon as he returns, about the 10th inst.

The canning establishment and other industries will soon begin to show up their buildings.

In the boom—and by far not the least—is the graded school, which will open later on. This place is progressive and steadily advancing. Long may it continue to grow and advance.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining in the Post Office Wednesday, August 8, 1888.

A—Miss Katie Anners.

B—Mr. Bradley, Jas. M. Bass, Harris Brown, Miss Rebecca Brown, S. Boyd, Ham Borgray, J. E. Boon, Francis N. Buck, Everett & Baker, William Bennett.

C—Miss Ida V. Casey, Petter M. Call, S.