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OUTLINES.

The Revolutionists in Mexico are gaining strength, and the situation is serious. Loss by burning of the Michigan Asylum not as heavy as supposed. The Richmond Terminal Company to be reorganized. Citizens of Choctaw county, Alabama, are aroused and determined to exterminate the outlaws. A Mississippi bridegroom brutally murdered a few moments after the ceremony. Factories at Hamilton, Ohio, shut down on account of the grip; death rate high. Loss of more than half a million dollars in the Chattanooga fire. Death of the British Ambassador to Turkey. Senator Plumb's successor not yet appointed. Texas Cowboys on a frolic, take possession of a train, and throw a Chicago drummer off, because he wore a red cravat and plug hat. Murderer hanged in Tennessee. Suicide of a grip sufferer. New York markets: Money easy at 2 3/4 @ 3 per cent; cotton quiet; middling uplands 7 1/2 cents; middling Orleans 8 1/2 cents; Southern flour quoted dull and weak; common to fair extra \$3.30 @ 4.15. Wheat lower with free offerings and business moderate; No. 2 red \$1.05 @ 1.04 1/2 in store and at elevator; No. 1 09 3/4 @ 1 07 1/2 afloat; corn lower, barely active; with free sellers and weak; No. 2 92 @ 93 cents at elevator, and 91 1/2 @ 92 cents afloat; rosin steady and quiet; strained, common to good, \$1.85 @ 1.40; spirits turpentine higher and quiet and firm at 34 1/2 @ 35 1/4 c.

In Madagascar when a man wants a divorce from his wife, he just walks up to her, presents her a piece of money, says "Madam, I thank you," and the job is done. In some portions of this country all a man has to do is put his hand in his pocket, shell out to the divorce lawyer and the job is done too, even without the polite formality of saying "Madam, I thank you."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. W. S. WARROCK--Mule for sale. S. H. FISHBLATE--Now is the time. MUNSON & CO--Ready-made clothing.

LOCAL DOTS. Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

Spirits turpentine was dull and nominal yesterday; no sales. Tar sold at \$1.80 per barrel. The box-sheet for the Princeton Glee Club will be open at Yates' book-store Wednesday morning. There was a big frost and plenty of ice yesterday morning. The minimum temperature was 31 degrees. The installation of officers of Masonic Lodges, whose elections have heretofore been published in the STAR, took place last night. A package from Philadelphia with no address is held at the post office. It has on a card inside, "To Aunt Ida from Mamie," and is a Christmas present. Messrs. H. T. Bauman, Phil Thomas and H. B. Peschau left yesterday for Mr. Johnson's place, in Pender county, for a deer drive and fox hunt. They will be gone three days. The Bible class studying the International Sunday School Lessons under the direction of Dr. T. F. Wood, will meet as usual to-night at 8 o'clock, at the Y. M. C. A. building. Mr. Willie Grant, who was struck and severely injured Christmas eve, in a row with a crowd of hoodlums, was reported as better yesterday, and will probably be out in a few days. Only one case before Justice R. H. Bunting yesterday--that of Henrietta Haywood, charged with assault and battery. She was found guilty but judgment was suspended on payment of costs. Robert Chadwick's case was called before Mayor Ricard yesterday morning, but Monroe Toomer, the man hit with a gun, as reported in Sunday's STAR, being unable to attend court, the trial was postponed. There were two cases before Mayor Ricard yesterday morning--John Perry, colored, charged with throwing missiles, was fined \$5 and costs, and Joseph Davis, charged with using a knife on B. Smith, was held for the Criminal Court. Under the new schedule of the C. F. & Y. V. R. Railroad, trains will leave Wilmington daily at 9.30 a. m.; arrive at Fayetteville 1.45 p. m.; Greensboro 7.55 and Mt. Airy 11.57 p. m. The south-bound train leaves Mt. Airy at 6.00 a. m., and arrives at Wilmington at 8.30 p. m.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael is still quite sick with the grip. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carmichael, of Charlotte, are in the city. Miss Carrie Hines, of Pender county, is visiting friends in the city. Mrs. Thos. C. James and children have gone to Charlotte on a visit to her brother, Capt. Thos. H. Haughton. Mr. Hill Burgwyn, of Pittsburgh, Pa., who is on a visit to Wilmington, it is said will take up his residence in this city. Mr. M. Cronly, Jr., who has been quite a sufferer from an attack of the influenza now so prevalent, is able to be at his desk again. Mr. C. H. Brown, of Brunswick, Ga., contractor for building the new court house, is in town, a guest of Mr. Robt. S. French. Mr. H. S. Penton, formerly of this city but who has been living in New York for several years, is in the city visiting his relatives. Mr. John Bragg, Associated Press operator at the Western Union Telegraph office, is very sick with a complicated attack of grip and bronchitis. Mr. Walter Bonitz, who has been attending the Industrial and Manufacturing School at Raleigh, is in the city visiting his father, Mr. J. W. Bonitz. Capt. Phil. Thomas has gone to Long Creek on a four days' vacation and Mr. Dorsett has charge of the trains on the Seacoast road during his absence. Messrs. Joel Hines, Mount Vernon, Ga.; W. W. Prince, Richmond; J. D. Swinson, F. Steele, A. G. Holmes, Baltimore, were among the arrivals at The Purcell yesterday. Messrs. C. C. Ely, Savannah; R. B. Hall, Atlanta; E. E. Waller, Richmond; E. Wolfshiemer, Sol Stern, New York, were among the arrivals at The Orton yesterday. Mr. A. T. Holmes, of Baltimore, reached here at 5.55 p. m., and left for the South at 10.10 p. m. He was welcomed by those of his old friends who were so fortunate as to meet him. Mr. Robert S. French, formerly of Wilmington, but now chief clerk in the General Freight office of the Brunswick & Western Railroad, with headquarters at Brunswick, Ga., is in the city spending the holidays. The following were among the arrivals in the city yesterday: C. L. Stevens, Southampton; J. G. Sizer, Goldsboro; J. J. Powers, Laurinburg; W. P. Woodard, Kenly; O. W. Dixon, Shelby; Wm. McQueen, Rowland; H. Blount, Wilson; E. Porter, Rocky Point. The Robeson County Homicides. Concerning the two homicides in Robeson county last week--one near Alfordville and one near Moss Neck--the following particulars have been obtained: Leslie Norment, who is charged with killing a man named Robertson, near Alfordville, is a son of "Black" Owen Norment, who was killed years ago by the Lowery outlaws. Robertson attended a party Christmas Eve near Alfordville, and during the evening Leslie Norment went to the house and called Robertson out. There were no eye-witnesses of the affair, but Robertson, later in the night was found dead near the house, stabbed in several places and shot through the head. Norment has not yet been arrested, but he is thought to be in the neighborhood of Alfordville. In the affair at Moss Neck, it is said that Marson Britt had on a woman's dress and a false-face, or mask. He drove up in a buggy, and without any provocation shot Powell dead. Britt then took to the swamp, where he left his disguise and came out. He was very drunk, and told some one if he killed Powell he didn't know it. He had not been arrested at last accounts. Lecture by Eli Perkins. Eli Perkins will be here next Tuesday night, Jan. 6th, and will give one of his inimitable lectures in the Music Hall in the Y. M. C. A. Building. It will be the first time that the hall has been used. Mr. Williamson who is putting in the chairs this week says it will be a beautiful auditorium. The Lecture Bureau. The Chief of the Weather Bureau has especially authorized Mr. F. P. Chaffee, in charge of the Weather Bureau here, to hoist, lower, or continue wind signals for Wilmington and Wilmington section, during certain hours, as his judgment dictates. This action is taken that warning may be given of the approach of storms whose-rapidity of development or progress is much greater than indicated by the regular reports telegraphed to Washington, and which may be indicated to the observer by local conditions. This regulation goes into effect January 1st, 1892.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Meeting of the Board--Treasurer Hewlett's Bond--Liquor Licenses Granted. The Board of Commissioners met yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. Present: H. A. Bagg, Chairman; B. G. Worth, E. L. Pearce, Jas. A. Montgomery and Roger Moore. The chairman announced the purpose of the meeting, to confer with the Commissioners of Pender county in regard to Northeast ferry. The two Boards discussed the matter of establishing a free ferry over Northeast river. On motion, it was ordered that the matter be referred to attorney Junius Davis, and the chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Pender county, Mr. J. T. Foy, was requested to furnish the attorney with all papers--applications, petitions, etc.--relating to the ferry, and that Mr. Davis look into the legality of establishing said free ferry and report. Elijah Hewlett, County Treasurer, presented his official bond in the sum of \$70,000, with the following sureties: W. H. Chadbourne justifying for \$15,000; J. H. Chadbourne, Jr., for \$75,000; Nathaniel Jacobi for \$5,000, and John Wilder Atkinson for \$35,000. On motion, the sureties being satisfactory, the bond was accepted and ordered to be recorded. Applications for license to retail liquor were taken up and the following were granted, viz: Adrian & Vollers, Front and Dock streets; Geo. H. Brown, Sixth street; J. M. Bremer, Front and Nun; Wm. Genault, Fourth and Hanover; J. D. Doshier, Third and Harriet; J. H. Boesch, Fourth and Brunswick; Thos. Gore, South Water; Bridgers & Rankin, North Front; Glaymeyer & Kuck, North Water; L. Vollers, South Front; J. G. L. Gieschen, Front and Dock; J. W. Duls, South Front; D. Stelges, Sixth and Castle; G. W. Linder, Front and Dock; M. Schnibben, Market and Water; I. B. Rhodes, Second and Princess; J. D. Stelges, North Water; J. W. Fuchse, Front and Orange; M. F. Croom & Co., North Water; M. F. Croom & Co., Mulberry and Water; D. N. Chadwick, Markets; H. W. Ahrens, Seventh and Market; F. W. Ortmann, North Second; J. Hart & Bro., South Front; J. D. Oldenbuttel, Tenth and Market; J. W. Ullrich, Front and Walnut; Wm. Ulrich, South Front; The Purcell House; M. O'Brien, Nutt and Red Cross; C. L. Horner, Ocean View; H. Haar, Seventh and Chesnut; J. M. Mayland, North Front; B. Bellois, Market; H. T. Duls, Eighth and Chesnut; Geo. H. Heyer, North Fourth; C. Richters, Fourth street; C. F. VonKampen, Fourth and Church and Seventh and Castle; A. C. Wessell, Market and Second; M. Rathjen, Sixth and Swann; J. O. Nixon, Nixon street; C. Schulken, Fourth and Nixon; Peter Mohr, Twelfth and Market; W. H. Bell, South Front. E. D. Frey's application was laid over until next Monday. In the matter of the Dawson Estate, application for reduction of assessment on the National Bank building--the valuation was reduced from \$30,000 to \$25,000. Ordered, by the Board, that the Sheriff of New Hanover County turn over all moneys which he has, or may have, in his hands belonging to the county of New Hanover, by virtue of his office as Sheriff, to Elijah Hewlett, Treasurer of New Hanover County, aforesaid. Fire Near Cronly. Last Saturday morning at 4 o'clock, the dwelling, store and stables of Mr. J. T. Lamb, near Cronly, were destroyed by fire, together with the stock of goods in the store and most of his household effects--only one trunk and part of the bedding in the house being saved. The horses and mules in the stables were saved with much difficulty. Mr. Lamb says he had only small insurance on his stock, etc. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an incendiary. Additional Mail Facilities Needed. Mr. J. T. Foy, of Scott's Hill, who was in the city yesterday, is in charge of a petition to be forwarded to the Postmaster General at Washington, D. C., asking that a daily mail be established between this city and Jacksonville, Onslow county, by way of the W., O. & E. C. Railroad. Strange to say, although the road has been in operation for nearly a year, it has not yet had a mail contract. There have been two mails a week, carried over a Star route; that is, by the dirt roads. The people are clamoring now for better mail facilities, and no doubt they will get them. The Weather Bureau. The Chief of the Weather Bureau has especially authorized Mr. F. P. Chaffee, in charge of the Weather Bureau here, to hoist, lower, or continue wind signals for Wilmington and Wilmington section, during certain hours, as his judgment dictates.

A DISASTROUS ENDING.

A Hunting Party Comes to Grief--Its Boats and All Equipments Burned. The party of hunters who started out from this city last week under such glorious auspices to slaughter bucks and does in the wilds of Pender county, met with disaster yesterday while in camp at Bordeaux's Landing on Northeast river near Castle Hayne, all their boats, camp equipage and other effects being destroyed by fire, which broke out about 11 o'clock yesterday morning while the members of the party were on a deer drive. The fire was first discovered by Simon Richardson, the colored engineer of the steam yacht Boss. He had left the landing at 7 o'clock in the morning in a row-boat and with one of the hunters of the party went up the river to a stand. Richardson remained in the boat and seeing a large volume of smoke in the direction of the camp, rowed towards it and found both the yacht Boss and the gondola in a blaze. He attempted to get on board the gondola to save the effects of the party, but some of the supply of gunpowder on the burning craft exploded, and hurled him back into the water. He caught on the edge of the row-boat he had left and which had overturned, and clung to it in a semi-conscious condition until he was rescued by Mr. James Bordeaux, living in the neighborhood, who was attracted to the place by the noise of the explosion. He was assisted in his efforts to rescue Richardson by Capt. Jno. H. Daniel, of the party, who had arrived in a row-boat. It is supposed the fire originated in the cabin of the gondola from the stove. All the effects of the party were destroyed, including a deer which was killed by Sheriff Stedman last Saturday. The Boss, a small steam yacht, and the gondola, both belonged to Gen. S. H. Manning, and were valued at about \$5,000 with the fittings and equipments. They were insured, but not for an amount sufficient to cover the loss. The party consisted of Mr. Geo. L. Morton, Sheriff F. H. Stedman, Gen. S. H. Manning, Capt. Jno. H. Daniel and Capt. B. H. Russell. All returned to the city last night by train, with the exception of Gen. Manning and Capt. Russell who remained to look after the row-boats and a few other effects that were saved. The party had excellent sport and brought back one deer with them which was killed yesterday morning by Capt. Daniel. COTTON FACTS AND FIGURES. Receipts of cotton at Wilmington since the 25th, 1,149 bales. Futures closed steady in New York yesterday with sales of 217,200 bales: December opened at 7.30 and closed 7.32; January, 7.38 bid and closed 7.37; February, 7.55 and closed 7.56; March, 7.72 and closed 7.71; April, 7.86 and closed 7.85. Savannah News: Cotton growers ought to begin to see that there is not much prospect of a very great improvement in the price of cotton as long as the supply is greater than the demand for it. It begins to look as if the present crop would go considerably beyond 8,000,000 bales. Bradstreet's latest estimate is 8,490,000 bales. In the face of the heavy receipts at the ports an improvement in the price of cotton cannot be reasonably looked for. It is a very difficult matter to get cotton growers to plant less cotton. The more such a course is urged upon them the less inclined they seem to be to adopt it. They all agree that they cannot afford to grow cotton at the present price, but each seems to think that the other will give less attention to cotton next year, and that therefore there will be a short crop, and consequently a better price. The price of cotton was low during a large part of last season, because the crop was so large, but in the face of the unpropitious price we have another enormous crop. It really looks as if the cotton growers intended to keep on increasing the yearly cotton supply until forced to reduce it by their lack of means to plant as many acres as they have in the last two or three years. Augusta Chronicle: Farmers in this section are specially hurt by the situation, because the low prices come on top of a short crop, so that while cotton is selling unprecedentedly low they have only a small quantity to sell even at the low prices, while their guano and other bills are as large as usual. Their receipts are not so badly hurt, because they have comparatively no fertilizers to buy, and they have made a tremendous crop. Though prices are very low they have so much to sell that their income is large anyhow, but here prices are low, and the farmers have very little to sell. His Greatest Act. The greatest act of Mansfield, the actor, was that in which he gave his business manager orders to confine his theatrical advertisement solely to the newspapers. "The New York Advertiser" well says: "Herein Mr. Mansfield acts well his part. The busy, bustling American citizen no longer stops on the curb to read signs of any kind on the billboard. This is essentially a newspaper-reading age. We look in our public journals for news of the theatre, and nowhere else. No billboard ever made an actor. The newspapers are creating them all the time. Indeed, newspapers may point with pride to Mr. Richard Mansfield himself as one of the finest types of their creation."

FROM THE NORTH TO FLORIDA.

The Atlantic Coast Line's Special Service for Tourist Travel--The Finest Trains in the World. On January 4th, 1892, the Atlantic Coast Line will put on another through train from New York to Florida, leaving New York at 9.30 a. m., arriving at Jacksonville 7.00 p. m. next day (only one night out,) making three through fast trains per day, with through Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars from Boston to Jacksonville; New York to Tampa and Port Tampa, (alongside steamer for Cuba); New York to Jacksonville; New York to Thomasville; New York to Savannah. On January 18th the magnificent "New York and Florida Special," running through to St. Augustine, Fla., will also be added, making in all twenty-four trains each way per week, the most complete service ever offered to Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah, Florida and Cuba. The equipment and general character of train service over this line is equalled by few and excelled by none, while the "Florida Special" is without doubt the finest train in the world. The beautiful drawing-room cars, the "Ideal" and "Superb" will, as heretofore, form part of the equipment of these trains. They are the only complete drawing-room cars ever built, and are run exclusively over the Atlantic Coast Line. This line is so situated that two hours south of Richmond tourists encounter the influence of the Gulf Stream, and all the conditions which constitute the genial and balmy Southern climate, making it the natural as well as the shortest and most popular route from the North to Florida. NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. OPERA HOUSE. Thursday, December 31st. Grand Concert. PRINCETON UNIVERSITY Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs. Do not fail to hear these greatest of all College Clubs. CASH. PRICES PREVAIL DURING THIS WEEK ON Ready-Made Clothing. SUITS Made to ORDER, OVERCOATS AND Gents' Furnishing Goods. Munson & Co.'s. COAL! COAL!! December Arrivals. SCHOONER R. S. GRAHAM 458 Tons. W. F. GREEN 372 " KATE GIFFORD 345 " EMILY F. NORTHAM 528 " ARVESTA 714 " Tot-- 2,645 " Also in stock full supply Pocomah and Tennessee Lump COAL. These Coals are of best free burning White and Red Ash kinds, and will be sold at the lowest market prices for CASH. Long-winded buyers not wanted on any rates. The above is respectfully submitted for good coal weather Dec 27th J. A. SPRINGER. R. L. HARRIS, Undertaker and Cabinet Maker, Corner Second and Princess Street. FURNITURE REPAIRED, CLEANED AND FURNISHED. Undertaking a Specialty. We Have Just What YOU WANT IN Horse Clothing, Buggies, Harness, TRUNKS AND BAGS. BEST GOODS, LOWEST PRICES. H. L. FENNELL, THE HORSE MILLNER, dec 27 14 & 16 South Front St. ALMANACS FOR 1892. TURNER'S, BLUME'S and BRANSON'S. NEW YEAR PRESENTS AND CARDS at dec 27 14 VATES' BOOK STORE. Boy Wanted. A SMART BOY (NOT TOO SMART) is wanted to feed Rolling Machine and Job Presses. Call at the STAR OFFICE.

Mule for Sale. AN EXTRA FINE, LARGE YOUNG MULE for sale. Well broken. Will work anywhere. Kind and gentle. Can be seen at Southernland's Stables, dec 20 8t W. S. WARROCK, Star Office.

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