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OUTLINES.

Both Houses of Congress were in session yesterday; in the Senate several questions of importance were introduced, and the Anti-Option bill was taken up for discussion; business unimportant in the House. — Washington news—Blaine's condition about the same; Gen. Rosecrans has started for California; a general quarantine law in preparation. — The Vice-President-elect in Georgia — A grand reception and great rejoicing. Foreign news—The English cotton mills lock-out. — Beating the record—cotton compress at Charlotte, N. C., compresses 936 bales in five hours. — Destructive fire in Philadelphia; loss \$335,000. — Dead Republicans still voting in Missouri. — Great excitement in France in regard to the Panama scandal; the Monarchists looming up. — Cholera at Hamburg again; alarm spreading; the U. S. Consulate giving vessels clean bills of health. — The popular vote for President, as given by the New York Evening Post. — A citizen of Jackson, Tenn., killed by a police officer. — Trouble in the Pennsylvania coal mines—deputies to protect non-union negro miners. — Chas. D. Moyer was yesterday elected President of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. — Mr. Blaine is reported much better. — The cotton futures market. — New York markets: spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 9 3/4 cents; middling Orleans 10 1/2 cents; sales 373 bales; Southern flour quiet and steady; wheat firm; No. 2 red 75 1/2 cents in store and at elevator and 76 1/2 cents in elevator and lower, closing steady; No. 2 48 1/2 cents at elevator and 49 1/2 cents at float; spirits turpentine dull and weak; rosin quiet and steady. Kaiser William has got to smoking long stemmed clay pipes. He has not yet learned the inherent virtues of the corn cob pipe. He should write to Uncle Jerry Rusk, who smokes no other kind. Col. Ingersoll says the genius for making money is as distinct as the genius for music or painting. That's our opinion. We've tried it. As between painting a rooster and making a hatful of money it would be a draw. The artist who runs the guillotine business in France scored his 219th victim the other day. He doesn't put on any more frills over cutting off a fellow's head than a French cook would in lopping off the head of a chicken. It is remarkable with what unanimity the Republican papers now declare the "trusts" must go. They never discovered that there was anything wrong about trusts until the Democratic party had walloped the party that built them up. There has been a general outcry in Northern cities against electric wires in the streets, but it has been discovered that the corrosion of water and gas pipes is hastened by the escape of electrical force, and now the question is how to prevent this. In election matters you are never sure until the counting is all done. The Republicans in the Fifth Michigan district felt sure they had elected their man, but a recount of the votes elects Geo. F. Richardson, his Democratic competitor, by an even dozen votes. Some Democrats in Colorado are going to present Mr. Cleveland with an address engraved on a plate of silver. That's very nice. Some Colorado Republicans presented Mr. Harrison with a silver brick some time ago, and now they wish it had been some other sort of a brick. The Pacific coast is the champion big tree country. A section of a redwood tree from California has just arrived at Chicago, where it will be placed among the Government exhibits. It is thirty feet long and twenty-three feet in diameter. It took eleven cars to transport it. The section is hollowed out and will be put up on end and divided into two stories, to resemble a rustic house. The New York Herald hints that Chas. A. Dana, of the Sun, would make a tip-top Minister to England, and this right on top of several other remarks to the effect that he ought to represent New York in the Senate. The Herald seems bound to have an editor for something. Inasmuch as the abolition of the minister business as entirely useless, Mr. Dana may not be carried away by this endorsement.

Politeness doesn't pay all the time, at least out in Arizona. This is the conclusion that the man who mashed a beer glass on another man's face, and went to the other man's house next day to apologize, would have come to if he had lived to express his opinion, for the other man instead of accepting the apology, shot the apologeter dead. It is not stated whether he shot him for apologizing or for hitting him with the glass. The incident, however, establishes the fact that he did not stand on ceremony, and that his cheek was harder than a beer glass. The fact that the shooter was acquitted, shows that out in Arizona the people believe that beer glasses were made for another purpose than to be mashed on men's faces, and that they are not an orthodox weapon, offensive, anyway. Wm. Webb, a son of a Huntington, West Va., doctor, got tired of this cold, rough-and-tumble world, and concluded to leave it. To save his friends as much trouble as he could in arranging for the pall bearers he selected a list, and then took a big dose of poison. But the funeral was prevented by the old gentleman with timely application of a stomach pump. Between the s. p. and the racket he raised it knocked the romance of the business into pi.

Senator Carlisle is very methodical in his ways. It is said that he makes a list of the applicants for office from his State in a book which he keeps for that purpose, and writes along with it the offices which they want. As the Democrats of Kentucky are very modest, and haven't had much chance to learn the art of reaching out for Federal offices, the presumption is that Senator Carlisle can carry this book in his vest pocket. A man came back to a Missouri town a couple weeks ago, after having been thought dead for years. He found his wife married again, but instead of taking it as a matter of course it filled him full of rage and then he proceeded to fill his husband number two with big buckshot. He then went to jail to think the whole business over. There are in the Government service in Washington 2,394 negroes, who draw in pay annually an aggregate of about \$2,000,000. They are not protected by the civil service rules, and therefore expect to be ruled out in the new deal.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted. — The magistrates meet to-day at 10 a. m. in the county court house. — Lula Carpenter, charged with disorderly conduct, was fined \$5.00 and cost, in the Mayor's court yesterday. — The cold wave sent the mercury down 28 degrees. The minimum recorded at the Weather Bureau station was 32°. — The attendance at the matinee yesterday afternoon was small, but those who were present said the performance was excellent. — Trains on the W. O. & E. C. R. R., leaving Wilmington at 9 o'clock in the morning and returning at 8:30 p. m., will not be run on Monday, 28th inst. — Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co., cleared the German brig Clara yesterday for Swansea, Eng., with cargo of 3,485 barrels of rosin valued at \$4,000. — Mrs. Ella McLean Tippett, of Hallettsville, Texas, writes Postmaster French asking information of her uncle, Van McLean, who she says lived in Wilmington some time ago. — Citizens complain of the bad condition of Red Cross street. The city authorities have made a good roadway on the latter street to Red Cross, and this street now is generally used as the drive-way to Oakdale cemetery.

THE WEATHER.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU. WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 22. Meteorological data for twenty-four hours ending at 8 p. m. last night: Maximum temperature 52°; minimum temperature 32°. Normal temperature for the day, deduced from twenty years' observation, 48°. Departure from normal, plus 6°. Sum of departure since January 1st, 1892, minus 290°. Rainfall for the day, 0.00 inch. Total rainfall for the month up to date, .83 inch. FORECAST FOR TO-DAY. For Virginia, fair but with increasing clouds in the afternoon and light north-west winds. For North Carolina and South Carolina, fair, northwest winds and slightly colder.

THE GARNISHEE CASE.

Explanation from Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son. In regard to the "garnishee" case, referred to in the STAR of yesterday, we give the following statement of Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son, who fear their position may be misunderstood without explanation: The item in the STAR with reference to a test case of the right of the city to garnishee laborers' wages was not intended to reflect upon Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son, who are the defendants. They have no desire to test the question nor to obstruct nor impede the collection of taxes from their employees, but they do object to the difficult and disagreeable task imposed upon them by the City Treasurer, who has sent them no less than fifty-one garnishee papers against the wages of a floating and irresponsible class of laborers, who may or may not be in their employ. The execution of these papers is very onerous and distasteful to them and creates much confusion and dissatisfaction, causing the loss of good men, who go elsewhere for employment rather than submit to what they have been told by a prominent lawyer is illegal taxation. In the case of the State and county taxes Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son were also garnisheed against a large number of men, and when the hour for payment arrived they notified the Sheriff, who sent down and collected the taxes as the men were paid off. The same arrangement was proposed to the City Treasurer, but was refused.

Suit Against the Western Union for \$5,000.

The Raleigh News and Observer says that Mr. Z. Vance Walser, now in that city, is of the opinion that he is entitled to \$5,000 from the Western Union Telegraph Company, and has brought suit to recover that amount. The case is rather interesting and the facts are about as follows: After the failure of the First National Bank of Wilmington, Mr. Walser was regarded as an applicant for the receivership; but this position was secured by Mr. W. S. O. B. Robinson, it seems that Comptroller Lacy had intimate personal relations with Mr. Walser, and was disposed to appoint him; and on the day that Mr. Robinson was appointed Mr. Lacy sent Walser a telegram asking if he would accept if appointed. Mr. Walser said this telegram was not delivered, and that, in consequence, Robinson was appointed; that if the telegram had been delivered he would have accepted the appointment. The salary of the receiver is \$300 per month, and it is supposed that it will require two and a half years to wind up the business, so that Mr. Walser is of the opinion that he is out the sum of \$5,000.

OPERA HOUSE.

Lizzie Evans in "The Little Blacksmith." The performance at the Opera House last night was good, but the audience was small. The play presented was entitled "The Little Blacksmith" with Lizzie Evans as star. "Lizzie" is a very charming little actress, sparkling with real gems of stage wit and actions. She is as pretty as a picture, bright as a new silver dollar, and it is useless to say she pleased the audience. Her support was good and some deserve especial mention. Miss Georgie Briar was very graceful and took her part well. Gus Pixley, the artist, Frank Bell as Farmer Cleaves, and Wm. Daniels as the Big Man of the Town, speeded the play with much wit and humor, and kept the audience full of laughter, even at the times when things were most serious with the other actors. Ralph Stewart, who took the part of Frank Connor, master of the mill, is not a complete stranger in the city. He is a handsome young actor of talent, but this part didn't seem to give him a full opportunity to show his ability, although the audience soon recognized it.

Engineers Beneficial Association.

A meeting of the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association No. 71, of Wilmington, was held last night, at which officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Past President—George Frederick. President—R. P. Skipper. Vice President—W. A. Furlong. Secretary—E. Pearsall. Treasurer—B. R. Russell. Chaplain—Andrew Blair. Conductor—C. Powell. Door-keeper—J. J. Bell.

Arrested on Suspicion.

Three arrests were made yesterday of persons supposed to be connected with the robbery of the store of J. O. Nixon colored, in the northeastern suburbs of the city last Tuesday morning. Archie Wright, a mulatto, and Wm. Tate, negro, are two of the parties arrested. They were run down by police officer Turlington, and will be brought before the Mayor this morning for examination. The third man arrested is Lucius Armstrong, negro, who was taken up on a warrant issued by Justice Bunting, and whose case will be investigated by the magistrate to-day.

COTTON FACTS AND FIGURES.

— Net receipts at all U. S. ports 26, 889 bales. — Receipts here yesterday 1,506 bales; same day last year, 1,098. — New York futures closed barely steady, with sales of 154,000 bales, and 3 and 3 points lower than closing quotations Tuesday; January opened at 9.05 and closed at 9.00; February 9.78 and closed 9.74; March 9.90 and closed 9.85; April 10.00 and closed 9.92; May 10.10 and closed 10.06. — Mr. A. F. Powell, of Vineland, was in the city yesterday.

THE PLANTER'S WIFE.

A Popular and Intensely Interesting Play to be Presented to-morrow Night. "The Planter's Wife," with Mr. Harry Lacy assisted by Miss Emily Rigi, will be the attraction at the Opera House to-morrow night. Mr. Lacy will enact his original part in this sterling drama; a play that he has made famous in England as well as in this country, and is pronounced to be one of the very best American war dramas ever written. Mr. Lacy will have the valuable assistance of Miss Emily Rigi, whose superiority as an intense emotional actress is universally conceded. In the support of Mr. Lacy and Miss Rigi will be seen Misses Marion Keith, Marie Doran, Kate Hawthorne, Messrs. William Walker, Harold Hartzell and George Hagar. Mr. Lacy is a masterly artist of the romantic school of acting. To exceptional histrionic ability he unites a fine personal presence, a pleasing voice and an inborn magnetism that sways audiences to his will. In "The Planter's Wife" he sustains the role of a brave Southern colonel—a character that suits his powers admirably. The drama itself is one of absorbing interest. The box sheet is now open at Yates'. North Carolinians in Washington. The Washington correspondent of the Richmond, Va., Dispatch, says: Several prominent North Carolinians were in the city to-day. Among the number were Mr. Sol. C. Weil, of Wilmington, an elector-at-large on the Democratic ticket, and Mr. F. W. Kerchner, of the same city, who is understood to be an applicant for the position of Collector of the port of Wilmington, the place now held by Dancy, a colored Republican. Mr. Julian S. Carr, of Durham, is another very prominent North Carolinian who was at the Capital to-day. His friends want him appointed to a high position under the Cleveland Administration. He is said to have strong backing from North Carolina for the Postmaster-Generalship. Ferson Looney. A dispatch to the Richmond, Va., Dispatch from Weldon, N. C., December 20th, says: "A colored evangelist, with three co-laborers and sixteen women, have been here for several days stirring up the negro population. This morning two of the men and one of the women were arrested upon a charge of larceny."

DIED.

BRYAN.—In this city, Wednesday, December 21, 1892, at 8 a. m. Mrs. SARAH C. BRYAN, beloved wife of B. J. Bryan, aged 40 years and 3 months. Funeral will take place Friday morning at 10 o'clock from Fifth Street M. E. Church. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

NOTICES FOR RENT or Sale, Lost and Found, WANTED and other short miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department, in leader Nonpareil type on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 15 cents per line each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 30 cents. Terms, positively cash in advance. Fractions of lines counted as whole lines. TRY this Department, if you wish to rent a house, or have lost anything. Advertisements 15 cents per line each insertion. Terms, cash in advance. PRINTING, Ruling and Binding of all kinds neatly and promptly executed at the STAR OFFICE. FINE HORSES.—Thirteen new Montana Horses, just arrived. Two large pairs, and the balance fine drivers. Give us a call. For sale cheap by J. H. JONES & CO. TOYS! Toys!—A nice line of Toys to be found at store in Leaning building, on Second street, between Market and Dock streets. Ladies, please call and see.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

City Taxes 1892. NO FURTHER INDULGENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO DELINQUENTS. You must settle early to save costs. WM. A. WILSON, Clerk and Treasurer. dec 22 1f

STRAYED, A LARGE RED AND WHITE COW, WITH brass tip on one horn. A suitable reward will be paid for information that will lead to her recovery. B. G. WORTH, No. 306 North Second Street. dec 22 1f

Weekly Courier Journal. HENRY WATERSON, EDITOR. The Best Democratic Paper Published; Only \$1.00 a Year. Has the Best Condensed News, Best Stories, Best Miscellaneous, Best Women's Page, Best Children's Department, Best Answers to Correspondents Department, Best Editorials. It gives away a valuable premium every day for the largest club received. Sample copies of the Weekly Courier Journal will be sent free to any address. Write to Courier-Journal Co., Louisville, Ky. dec 22 1f

4711 Cologne. WHITE ROSE AND GLYCERINE SOAP. Christmas Novelties going rapidly. JAS. D. NUTT'S, The Druggist. dec 22 1f

GEO. W. HUGGINS, Jeweler and Watch Inspector 108 Market St. The public is invited to call and examine my large and well selected stock of Goods, including all the latest novelties in Jewelry and Silverware. Am receiving goods daily suitable for Wedding presents, &c. I also have a first-class Watchmaker, who is giving entire satisfaction to the public. nov 27 1f

Pianos Tuned for Two Dollars By Prof. JNO. BAKER, 28 N. Front St. Satisfaction guaranteed. dec 18 1f

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

First Appearance in Wilmington Of the Famous Glee, Banjo & Mandolin Clubs, of Columbia College, New York City.

Mammoth Minstrel Entertainment Dec. 26 At the Opera House.

Grand College Concert, December 27th, At the Y. M. C. A. Hall.

Tickets on sale to-morrow (Thursday) for both performances, at Yates' Book store. Reserved seats, \$1.00. Admission, 75c. and 50c. dec 21 1f

OPERA HOUSE, Matinee at 2 P. M.—Evening at 8 P. M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21. The Favorite Petite Comedienne, LIZZIE EVANS, Presenting her new and successful Comedy/Drama, THE LITTLE BLACKSMITH.

Every new song, dance and specialty. Special scenery, costumes and effects. SEE MISS EVANS MAKE A COMPLETE HORSESHOE in full view of the audience. dec 18 1f

Grand Dramatic Temperance Cantata. "Lost and Saved." To be performed by the Pupils and Friends of St. Matthew's Parochial School. Under the leadership of Miss Lisette C. Hood. Proceeds to be devoted to Educational and Benevolent Purposes.

Opera House, Friday Evening, Dec. 30. General Admission 50 cents; Children 25c. Reserved Seats 25 cents Extra. Box sheet open at Yates' Book Store on and after December 26. Tickets for sale at the book store, and by the friends and pupils of the school. dec 18 1f

DR. D. S. HARMON, Russian Ophthalmic Optician & Inventor. Rooms 2 and 3 Allen Building, Princess street, Wilmington, N. C. No charge for examination of Eyes. dec 3 1f

Large Stock of Goods FOR THE Spring Trade. Merchants will do well to see us before purchasing Full line HARDWARE, TINWARE, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, LAMPS, &c. Come and see us. Wm. E. Springer & Co., IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS Hardware, Tinware and Crockery. dec 18 1f

Overcoats I \$5 to \$8, Worth Double. Toys, Toys, at Dissolution Prices. Large variety of Goods suitable for X-MAS PRESENTS. Street Car fare paid on all purchases over \$2.00. Respectfully, POLVOGT & REIDER, Telephone 118. dec 18 1f Fourth St. Bridge.

PIANOS AND ORGANS. During the month of December we offer extra inducements to purchasers of Pianos and Organs. We have on exhibition and for sale a magnificent lot of Instruments from ten different makers. E. VAN LAER'S, 402 and 404 North Fourth Street. We carry the largest stock of Pianos and Organs in the State. dec 6 1f

THOMAS EVANS, Expert Accountant and Notary Public, P. O. BOX 162, WILMINGTON, N. C. Will examine and test Books and Accounts of Individuals, Firms and Corporations, here and elsewhere. Will detect and correct every Error in such Accounts, and then certify them. Reference—The citizens generally, and Corporations for whom he has worked (more or less) for forty years. nov 24 1f

Coal. COAL. FOR NOVEMBER, viz: Schr. Kate Gifford, 530 tons, " F. L. Lockwood, 300 tons, " Thos. Clyde, 411 tons, 1241 total. These cargoes are comprised of the best Egg, Stove, Chestnut and Lump Coal in the market. No advance in prices, although coal is higher nearly everywhere else. WOOD—300 cords Oak, Ash, Blackjack, Light wood, &c., of best quality and at low prices. nov 27 1f J. A. SPINGER.

Fresh Turkeys on Hand. When You Want Fresh Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Apples, Oranges, Mountain Butter, Fresh Oysters, &c., go to WARD & BERRY'S, Dealers in Country Produce and Commission Merchants. No. 17 Dock street, Wilmington, N. C. Also Manager Cape Fear Fish and Oyster Company, South Water st., Wilmington, N. C. dec 11 1f

Do You Know

That we will, Commencing with Monday, December 19th, sell our entire stock of

LADIES' & MISSES' Wraps & Jackets At Cost! At Cost!

No better opportunity for purchasing was ever offered.

Holiday Goods.

Sofa Pillows, Head Rests, Lace Sets, Lace Ties, Pin Cushions, Scrim Sets, CHINA SILK SCARFS, Screens, Moquet Rugs, Smyrna Rugs, Fur Rugs, Blankets and Comforts. Carpets & Mattings. LACE CURTAINS AND WINDOW SHADES.

Brown & Roddick

No. 9 NORTH FRONT ST. dec 18 1f

Christmas, Christmas!

The following are a few things which make nice presents:

- Oak Suit for \$25.00. Solid Walnut Suit, \$50.00. Parlor Suit, \$35.00. Hat Rack, \$6.00. Plush Rocker, \$3.00. Wicker Rocker, \$3.00. Nice Oak Sideboard \$17.00. " " Cheffonier \$10.00. " " Desk, \$10.00. China Closet, \$10.00.

Also a line of Express Wagons, Doll Carriages and Velocipedes, Call and inspect the biggest stock of Furniture ever seen in Wilmington. Will be open every evening this week until 9.30 o'clock.

Sneed & Co.

THE CHEAPEST FURNITURE HOUSE IN NORTH CAROLINA. dec 18 1f

SEASONABLE GOODS!

WE OFFER THIS WEEK A VERY CHOICE SELECTION OF FANCY GROCERIES suitable for this season.

- Plum Puddings, Mince Meat in glass, tin and bulk. Preserves and Jellies, in glass, tin and bulk. Dunbar's Rippe Figs, in heavy syrup. Dunbar's Rippe Figs, in cordial. IMPORTED BRANDY PEACHES. Queen Cluster Raisins, Valencia Raisins, London Layer Raisins, Loose Muscatels, Citron. Currants, New Dried Figs, California Evaporated Peaches, North Carolina Dried Peaches, French Prunes, finest in the market. Imported Gomitas and Chocolate. Rochefort, Fromage de Bruc, Edam, Pineapple and American Cream Cheese. Cabbage Cider, very nice. A large lot of Oranges at low prices. Our Holiday line is complete and we can please the most fastidious. Send in your orders. We guarantee prices as low as the lowest. We cannot fail to please you. With four Delivery Wagons we will not keep you waiting.

The John L. Boatwright Co.

Stop at Hotel Richmond, ROCKINGHAM, N. C. NEW HOTEL, ELEGANTLY FURNISHED—modern improvements. Cold and warm water baths. Five meals all trains. T. N. CAMPBELL, Manager. dec 18 1f