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OUTLINES.

Washington news—nominations that failed of confirmation; President Cleveland's aides for the naval review; the Chilean matter. — The World's Fair — the first locomotive used in the United States, with a train of antique cars, now on their way to Chicago. — Terrible earthquake—many killed and injured and much property destroyed. — Ex-President Gonzales, of Mexico, continues to improve. — The naval review—arrival of five of England's warships. — Foreign news—important statement in regard to the Irish Home Rule bill; outbreak among miners in Belgium. — Chicago grain and provision market. — The cotton trade. — Bank failure at Nashville, Tenn. — Death of E. O. Netting, of Richmond, Va. — Foster, who killed ex-Congressman Morgan, granted a new trial. — Base ball games played yesterday. — Rumored attempt at suicide of Mrs. Florence Maybrick. — Three men killed at a wedding. — New York markets: Money on call steady, ranging from 5 to 4, closing offered at 4 per cent; cotton easy; middling uplands 7 1/16-16 cents; middling Orleans 8 3/16-16 cents; Southern flour dull and weak; common fair extra \$3.10@3.10; good to choice, \$3.15@4.25; wheat fairly active and steady; No. 3 red in store and at elevator 75 1/2@75 3/4 cents; soft 78 1/2@78 3/4 cents; corn quiet and easier; No. 2, 49 1/2@50 cents at elevator and 51@51 1/2 cents afloat; spirits turpentine quiet and firm at \$2.00@2.05; rosin dull and easy; strained, common to good, \$1 3/4@1 30.

LOCAL DOTS.

The STAR prints to-day an interesting extract from the first installment of Mr. James Sprunt's "Notes on Cape Fear History," which appeared in the last issue of the Southport Leader. The outlook for the wheat crop in Kansas is said to be bad. So is the outlook for Jerry Simpson's party. NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. JAS. D. NUTT—Notice. NOTICE—To tax-payers. W. & W. R. R.—Schedule. W. C. & A. R. R.—Schedule. J. H. GORE, JR.—Potato slips. HARRY HILL—Executor's notice. CRONLY & MORRIS—Furniture at auction. MASONIC—Meeting Wilmington Lodge CRONLY & MORRIS—Dwelling and lot at auction. PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Personal Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed. — Miss Edna Kenly left Saturday for Baltimore. — Miss Mary Meares is visiting friends in Baltimore. — Mr. F. W. Richards, of Springfield, Ohio, is in the city, a guest of Mr. Neill McKinnon. — Mr. Thos. Wilson, a lumber merchant of Salem, N. C., is in the city on a business visit. — Miss Louise Knight, who has been visiting friends in Baltimore, has returned to the city. — Mrs. A. C. Kenly and children, of Baltimore, Md., are in the city visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kenly. — Capt. G. B. Newcomb, road master of the Northeastern railroad, with headquarters at Florence, S. C., was in the city yesterday. — Mr. J. W. H. Butt, Augusta, Ga., President of the Queen Fire Insurance Company, and Maj. J. Bunyan Kenny, of Raleigh, Fire Insurance Adjuster, were in the city yesterday. — Mr. H. R. Culley, of Tarboro, and Walter L. Radford, of Columbia, both soliciting agents for the Atlantic Coast Line, and very clever fellows, were in the city yesterday on business. — Messrs. W. E. Hozen, Charleston; V. L. Stevens, Wilson; H. W. Hood, Southport; G. F. McRae, Wadesboro; F. T. Mills, Whiteville; J. A. James, Florence; G. P. Whittington, Wrightsville; Wm. H. Long, Greenville; W. A. Rouse, Charlotte, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

SUPERIOR COURT.

The New Building Used the First Time—The Case Against the Dawson Estate—An Order Issued by Judge Connor. Business at the new court house was formally begun yesterday with the convening of the Spring term of the Superior Court for New Hanover county. In the bar there were twenty-eight attorneys present, including Mr. R. H. Battle, of Raleigh and Mr. A. Prentiss, of New York city. As Judge Connor walked into the Court room at 10 o'clock, deputy sheriff King proclaimed, "Silence in Court!" went to the window and cried out, "Oyez! Oyez! This Honorable Court is now open for the dispatch of business," and again proclaimed, "Silence in Court!" Clerk Jno. D. Taylor called the jury list, and the Judge ordered the sheriff to swear them in. After this Mr. H. A. Bagg, chairman of the Board of Commissioners, said: "If your Honor please, I would like to have an order made to protect the building from mutilation." The Judge said he would do so, and asked Col. B. R. Moore to formulate an order and confer with Judge O. P. Meares in regard to the same. The docket was then called. The first case on the calendar was a suit for divorce—Martha Marshall vs. Chas. Marshall—which the Judge remarked was "a bad beginning." M. Bellamy & Son were counsel for plaintiff. There was no defence. The petition of plaintiff was granted. The next case was the suit of W. S. O'B. Robinson, receiver of the First National Bank of Wilmington, vs. Fannie G. Pollock, of New York. Plaintiff's counsel moved to continue the case for the term. This motion provoked considerable discussion among counsel; Judge Russell and Mr. Rountree appearing for plaintiff, and defendant being represented by Mr. Prentiss of New York, R. H. Battle, Esq., of Raleigh, and Col. T. W. Strange. The continuance was refused by the Court, and the plaintiff entered a non-suit. This was an action to recover the stock assessment of \$21,400 against the stock in the First National Bank which was held by the late James Dawson. Later in the day the counsel for receiver Robinson brought a suit in equity in the U. S. Court against the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, as administrator of James Dawson, and against Mrs. Pollock and Mrs. F. Tyson, of New York. The bill seeks to sell certain lots of land of the late James Dawson, including the bank building on Front street, and alleges that these lots were fraudulently conveyed by Mrs. Pollock and Mrs. Tyson, to avoid paying the assessment. There was also a suit brought in the State Court by Receiver Robinson against the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company as administrator of James Dawson, and against the same company as administrator of Mrs. Missouri S. Dawson, and against Mrs. Pollock and Mrs. Tyson. Other cases disposed of yesterday were the following: E. G. Polley vs. J. C. Stout et al. Judgment against defendant and surties. Charles Wessell vs. Charles Sumner. Non suit. F. Rheinstein & Co. vs. Z. G. Thompson. Continued. Court adjourned at 1 p. m. until 10 a. m. to-day, when the case of W. E. Springer & Co. vs. Holmes & Watters comes up for trial. JUDGE CONNOR'S ORDER. The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county, by and with the assent and concurrence of the Board of Justices of the Peace of said county having erected, completed and dedicated to the public service a new court house on the southeastern intersection of Princess and Third streets, in the city of Wilmington, in said county, it is ordered by the court that the said building be accepted for the purposes for which it is intended, and that from and after this date the Superior Court of New Hanover be held therein. It is further ordered, that the sheriff of New Hanover county and his deputies be specially charged with the preservation and protection of the said building under such rules and regulations as the said Board of Commissioners may from time to time order and establish, and that all persons who shall mutilate, deface or wantonly tarnish the walls or floors of said building or the furniture therein, shall have their respective offences brought to the attention of the court by the sheriff and his deputies, who shall furnish the names of the offending parties, together with the names of all necessary witnesses, to the end that they may be punished according to law, as for contempt or through prosecution in the Criminal Court of said county. H. G. CONNOR, Judge Presiding.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Proceedings of the Meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance. The Board of Audit and Finance met yesterday afternoon in regular session. Present: Messrs. R. J. Jones (chairman), Chas. H. Ganzer, Wm. Calder, W. R. Keenan, Jno. W. Hewett. The board approved the award of contract to the Wilmington Gas Light Co. for lighting the city at \$9.00 per month for each arc light, \$2.50 per month for each gas alley lamp (to burn all night and every night), \$2.00 per month for each street lamp; gas for public buildings, \$3.00 per thousand feet (when meter registers over 10,000 feet per month, 10 per cent. to be deducted from bill). Also, approved contract for printing, awarded to Samuel G. Hall. Also, contract for lumber (good merchantable) to James H. Chadburn & Co. and Fore & Foster, at \$11.30 per thousand feet. Also, contract for feeding and shoeing mules, and keeping carts and harness in repair, to J. H. Jones & Co. Also, for feeding prisoners, to Mrs. Jane Sheehan, at 5 1/2 cents per meal. The award of contract for tax listing to Wm. A. Willson by the Board of Aldermen was not approved, and it was ordered that the several bids be returned to the Board of Aldermen. One bid was from Mr. A. L. DeRosset, offering to do the work for \$850; one from Mr. S. P. Collier to do the work for \$500, and an application of Mr. Walker Meares for the position without bid. On motion, the appropriation of \$60 for salary of clerk of Fifth Ward market house was stricken out. Salaries were fixed as follows: Mayor, \$1,200 per annum; clerk, treasurer and tax collector, \$1,500; first assistant tax collector, \$1,200; second assistant, \$800; commissioner of sinking fund, \$400; clerk of Board of Audit and Finance, \$1,800; city attorney, \$500; clerk of police department, \$450. Total, \$7,350. The resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen to borrow \$50,000 to cover the deficit of last year, was, on motion, approved, with an amendment providing that the note given for the amount shall be payable (not exceeding) one year after date. Mr. Calder offered the following which was adopted, viz.: WHEREAS, It appears from the books that the late tax collector collected only \$87,875 of the \$110,318 turned over to him on the tax book for 1892; and, whereas, by section 6 of the tax ordinance, the collector is required to make a settlement with the city in a certain manner therein presented, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be requested to inform this board whether such settlement has been made, and if not, why it should not now be required of the late tax collector. Bills were audited and approved: For current expenses, \$1,100.49; note, money borrowed, \$10,000; interest on same, \$359.73. Board adjourned. THIRD AND LAST CALL. Cotton Still Declining—The Old Folly to Be Repeated. As it may not yet be too late to save a few cotton planters in this section from bankruptcy, the following is reproduced from the New Orleans Times-Democrat: Another fall is reported in cotton. The decline in that staple has been almost continuous since the end of the Lancashire strike, which was expected to advance prices, and that, too, in spite of the fact that the commercial reports continue to show that the movement of the staple is unusually light. The latest decline is attributed, as we intimated it would be, to the prospects ahead of an unexpectedly large increase in the acreage. The reports on this point have been unfavorable for some time past. The many conventions held to urge a reduction in the acreage appear to have failed almost altogether of their purpose. A large increase in acreage was announced some time ago from the Atlantic States, and recently the news from Texas showed the planters more than ever determined to raise a big crop. Some increase in the Texas acreage was expected, but not as much as the reports published. The Southern press has argued against the "all-cotton" idea, and shown the unfortunate results that will inevitably follow. The farmers have declined to accept this advice, and must take the consequence. By their unwise heavy planting they have already depressed the price of cotton, but the depression existing to-day is as nothing compared with what it will be when the crop is being marketed. It will be very hard on the South to stand another season of depression, after "the hard times" of a year ago; but this is inevitable, and will continue until the Southern farmers learn more of political economy, and raise food products, instead of growing more cotton than the world wants.

THE NEXT ENCAMPMENT.

Will It Be Held at Wrightsville?—The Question Seems to be in Doubt Unless Seaside Park is Secured. Will the State Guard be ordered into camp near Wrightsville next summer? This is a question that is being asked with serious doubts. If the grounds at Seaside Park shall be tendered all doubt will probably be removed; but the military authorities who asked this courtesy before are barred by an agreement virtually entered into when the encampment was last held at that place, there being an understanding with the owner of the property that there would be no further application for its use. So, Seaside Park is out of the question, unless a voluntary tender is made, or parties not connected with the military can secure it for the next encampment. As to Camp Holt, there exists an apparently well grounded impression that the encampment will not be held there, though it is stated, on good authority, that Capt. Jones, of the United States army, who was recently here, says an expenditure of one thousand dollars would make Camp Holt all that could be desired for a military encampment. His plan would be to fertilize the soil and plant the grounds in Bermuda grass. He likes shade trees about an encampment for some purposes, but does not think the tents should be placed under trees. The people of Morehead City want at least two regiments to go there, and have offered some "inducements." But Camp Holt is superior to any location that can be offered at Morehead City, and it is not believed there will be any recommendation of that point. The STAR has not received even an intimation as to the report of Adjutant-General Cameron to the Governor, whether favorable or unfavorable to Camp Holt, but it believes its summing up of the general situation is not far from correct. REV. DR. DEEMS RECOVERING. The Former Wilmington Pastor Slowly Improving—His Mental Faculties Unimpaired. The following, sent out from New York, gives the latest information concerning the Rev. Charles F. Deems, D. D., so well and favorably known to the old citizens of Wilmington: Rev. Dr. Charles F. Deems, pastor of the Church of the Strangers, who was stricken with paralysis three months ago, has improved during the past two weeks. He is at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Marion Verdery, No. 617 West End avenue. Mrs. Verdery said yesterday that the family were encouraged in regard to her father, as the attending physician, Dr. Egbert Le Fevre, held strong hopes that by spring Dr. Deems would be able to walk around the block. When Dr. Deems was first attacked, in December last, it was thought the disease was "writers' cramp." Two weeks later, however, he lost his speech and the use of his right side. His speech is returning to him, his utterances being almost perfectly intelligible. His mental faculties have remained unimpaired by the shock, and the doctors say that some of his best efforts in a literary way may appear upon his ultimate recovery. He is fond of seeing his friends, and has never lost his interest in public affairs. The papers are read to him daily either by his devoted wife or the trained nurse who is in attendance. His appetite is fairly good, and he is able, with assistance, to take a few steps about his room. Mrs. Verdery says that it is not probable that Dr. Deems will resume charge of his pulpit. "Father is now in his 73rd year," she said, "and in view of the serious nature of his illness, we will discourage any inclination on his part to again take up his arduous work."

OPERA HOUSE.

Docksader's Minstrel Performance Last Night. The minstrel performance at the Opera House last night was decidedly the best which has been presented here this season, and we do not think it would be a mistake to say that it was the finest ever seen in Wilmington. The programme was one of unusual variety and consisted of specialties without number, selections of new and catchy songs, comical situations and negro character impersonations. The musical part of the programme was without doubt the best ever heard here, the musicians being first class artists in every respect, possessing voices of beautiful tone, clear, rich and perfectly trained. Mr. Dockstader is a well equipped minstrel within himself. He is a comedian of remarkable talent and his local hits last night brought down the house and immediately made himself a favorite with the audience, and we guarantee that he will ever receive a hearty welcome in Wilmington. His impersonation of Cleveland was true to life, and entirely captivated those present, and the songs rendered by him were greatly enjoyed. Mr. Dockstader has also secured the services of a large number of comedians, all of whom are bright stars in their line. We have already mentioned the splendid quality of the music, but we do not think we would do justice to this programme unless we referred to the solos by Messrs. Powers, Blockson and Burns, Chas. Semons, John Davis, Wm. Galpen, Harry Leighton and the Collins Brothers. The music by the double quartette was particularly enjoyable and they were recalled repeatedly. The musical prodigies, Messrs. Flade and Lemons, playing medleys and solos on numerous and unique instruments, were heartily and frequently applauded, the former gentleman introducing humorous and laughable incidents beyond measure, proving himself one of the greatest fun producers we have ever known. Messrs. Blockson and Burns, as acrobats, comedians and tumblers, deserve special notice. The last number on the programme, a "Cake Walk" by four couples, was a roaring success, eliciting much laughter and putting every one in a happy mood, all leaving declaring it the best show of its kind ever produced here. The audience was very large and we honestly believe that if Mr. Dockstader should favor us with another visit he will be complimented with a packed house, and we take pleasure in recommending this to be a first-class, refined minstrel organization.

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