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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OUTLINES.

Proceedings in Congress yesterday—the Tariff bill debated in the Senate; the Anti-Option bill in the House.

Greensboro will put on her war paint when she learns that the Baltimore Sun locates Guilford battle ground "near Charlotte."

When it is learned that the hay crop of this country is worth \$570,882,872 it is not surprising that Coxe and his crowd were required to "keep off the grass."

The Japanese are a self-respecting people. The Government prohibits emigration without a passport, and will give a passport to no country where the Japanese immigrant is not wanted.

New York looms up as the first manufacturing city in the country, with 11,000 factories, the output of which is worth \$500,000,000.

There are about 3,000 Chinamen in this country who have failed to register, and the question is what is to be done with 'em.

Executive Committee Meeting. Mr. D. H. McLean, of Harnett, and Mr. W. E. Marchison, of Moore, members of the Democratic Executive Committee of the Third Congressional District, arrived last night.

On Wheels to Rocky Point. A large number of cyclists went to Rocky Point, Sunday, on wheels, to attend the big Sunday School Convention held there that day.

The Weather. U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU. WILMINGTON, N. C., June 19.

Standard novels are cheap at four to five cents each. Read list of books in another column.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

The stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Sunday at 8 a. m. was one foot three inches; a fall of three inches in 48 hours.

There will be a social meeting of the Young People's Association of St. Paul's Lutheran Church to-night at the residence of Mrs. Doscher.

The "Sons of Rest" and the "Sons of Toil" will cross bats at Hilton Park next Saturday afternoon, for the benefit of the King's Daughters.

Tom Lawther is handling the throttle on the Seacoast road temporarily, in place of engineer George McDuffie, who is sick.

North Front street, between Princess and Red Cross, on which there is more traffic perhaps than on any other street in the city, seldom if ever has a visit from the street cleaners.

A thief raided the pantry of J. H. Carraway, a colored barber, at his home on North Seventh street, Saturday night or early Sunday morning.

The Fayetteville Baptist Sunday School excursion will reach here tomorrow. Several hundred people are expected.

Thos. Berry, colored, was arrested here early Sunday morning by police officers and locked up.

There were very large crowds of visitors at Ocean View, The Hammocks and Wrightsville Sunday.

The attractions at Hilton Park Thursday and Friday afternoons will be Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hewlette in "Fun on a Clothes Line" and other specialties.

At the Y. M. C. A. A sociable and musical entertainment last night.

About four hundred people were present last night at the sociable and musical entertainment given to the friends and members of the Young Men's Christian Association at the Auditorium.

After the musical entertainment, which was complimented very highly, and participated in by some of Wilmington's best vocal and instrumental talent, ice cream, cake and other refreshments were served to all present.

The steamer Wilmington and the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. transfer steamer Compton were in collision on the river last evening about half-past seven o'clock.

The Naval Reserves expect much success at Newbern to-day. A large crowd is expected to take in the excursion.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Regular Meeting Board Audit and Finance. The License Tax Matter—Appropriations for Street Improvements Overdrawn—Bills for this Department Disapproved—City Finance—A Resolution Offered by Chairman Jones Adopted.

The Board of Audit and Finance met yesterday in semi-monthly session. Present: Messrs. R. J. Jones (chairman) Wm. Calder, H. C. McQueen, C. H. Ganzer, Jno. W. Hewett.

A communication from the Board of Aldermen was read; refusing to recede from its position in striking out in the general tax ordinance the license tax on barber shops, dentists, blacksmiths, tinners, upholsterers and paper hangers.

On motion, the Board reaffirmed its non-concurrence in the action of the Board of Aldermen, and asked for a committee of conference.

The Board concurred in the action of the Board of Aldermen in authorizing and empowering the Mayor and the City Clerk and Treasurer to borrow \$15,000 for current expenses of the city, on a promissory note for the amount, payable four months after date, at 8 per cent. interest.

The Board also concurred in the action of the Board of Aldermen in authorizing the negotiation of a loan of \$18,810 with Messrs. Blair & Co., of New York, to pay interest coupons on the bonded debt of the city, maturing July 1st, 1894.

Application of police officer Sallings to be reimbursed for the loss of a coat, torn by a prisoner he had arrested, was referred to the police committee.

Bills for shells for permanent street improvements, Fourth street, amounting to \$37.88, and lumber for curbing for said street, \$111.06, were disapproved; also bills for lumber for Third and Red Cross streets, \$29.23, because appropriations for this department had been over-run.

The clerk was instructed to notify the Committee on Permanent Street Improvements that these bills were disapproved because it will overrun the appropriation, and that no more will be approved.

Bill of E. G. Jones & Co., for \$150 difference in trade for a horse for the Phoenix Hose Reel Co., was deferred, and Mr. Jones was asked to appear before the Board and explain why such an excessive charge is made for difference in horses.

Three bills of the American Fire Engine Manufacturing Company, Seneca Falls, N. Y., amounting to \$136.85, were also deferred, with the request that bills specify the companies for which purchases were made.

Bills for current expenses amounting to \$1,733.84, were audited and approved. Mr. R. J. Jones offered the following:

Resolved, That this Board recommend the propriety of having printed, in pamphlet form, a complete transcript of the City Treasurer's book of receipts and expenditures for the past fiscal year, together with a financial statement showing the condition of the city finances at the beginning and at the close of that year, and that the Board of Aldermen be requested to have one thousand or more copies printed for distribution.

In offering the resolutions, Mr. Jones said he was satisfied that no money had been misapplied, but he wanted the people to see where the money came from, where it went and who got it.

Mr. Calder asked as to the probable cost, and Mr. Jones said it would cost about \$50.00.

On motion of Mr. McQueen, the resolution was adopted, with a proviso that the work should not cost to exceed \$50.00.

The Board then adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

FAMOUS PAINTINGS.

General Law. Wallace, Will Carleton, John Clark Bidpath.

These are the three most prominent and popular writers in America. All of them have written descriptive and biographical articles for "Famous Paintings of the World."

This is a guarantee that the introduction and descriptions of the "Famous Paintings of the World" contained in the collection will give clear idea of the meaning of the pictures, and point out their artistic merits.

Superb Reproductions of 390 great European and American paintings. It will embrace the finest specimens of French, English, German, Austrian, Italian, Scandinavian, Russian and American art from the principal public galleries, famous cathedrals, great private collections and studios of eminent artists.

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Special Notice.—Readers of the STAR sending orders for portfolios must be explicit about what is wanted. When you send money and coupon, send name and postoffice address plainly written. Do not write about anything else in the same letter. State exactly which portfolio you want.

The first cotton bloom. Merry Maxton sends the Star the first Cotton Bloom.

Merry Maxton steps to the front with the first cotton bloom. Well, Maxton is a great town. She's always ahead on cotton blooms.

The annexed letter explains itself. But the STAR begs leave to announce that when the cotton bloom industry becomes epidemic, and the flowers (all "first blooms") are coming in at the rate of seventy-five or eighty a day, the line will be resolutely drawn on letters.

Ambitious cotton planters will please observe that the Patterson bloom was plucked, or torn from its parent stem, or words to that effect, last Friday.

The Naval Reserves will give a Theatrical Entertainment at Newbern to-night—A Game of Ball This Afternoon.

The Newbern Journal of yesterday has the following notice of the entertainment to be given there to-night:

Mr. Freeman, the advance agent of the Wilmington Naval Reserves Concert Company, passed through to Morehead City last night. The company will play here Tuesday night, and special rates have been secured over the A. & N. C. R. R. in order that the visitors now at that summer resort may come up and enjoy the performance.

The troupe is composed of some of the best people of Wilmington who give the entertainment solely for the benefit of the Naval Reserves of that city.

WILMINGTON COTTON MILLS.

All the Employees Quit Work on Account of a Reduction of Wages—A Conference of Mill Owners and Representatives of the Strikers Held But No Agreement Made.

The STAR learned on Saturday last that the weavers at the cotton mill had quit work, but refrained from any mention of it, trusting that the trouble would promptly be settled.

The daily consumption of cotton is more than five bales, say 2,500 pounds, and since the first of February the daily output of cloth has been 14,000 yards. The pay roll amounts to \$159,000 per day, so that the labor and the cotton come to about \$850,000 every day.

For months the work has been going on, apparently to the satisfaction of all parties. A few days ago two or three looms were put on plan towelling, and the weavers were told that they would receive only ten cents per cut of 52 yards for this cloth.

There was some mild protest, but the weavers on these looms determined to do their best and see if they could make anything at all. Everything bid fair to go along well, but, unexpectedly, a general cut on all the weaving was announced, whereupon the fifty or more operatives in that room quit their looms, declaring that they could not earn a living at the reduced wages.

The directors had statistics which proved that the unreduced wages were not so good as in other mills on similar cloth. The directors held that in the present state of trade and competition they could not pay more than their offer.

The weavers said that, notwithstanding the hard times, they could not work at the reduction. And so the matter rests, if it is a strike, it is the first one for this city, and as far as we know, for the State.

But some of the people say it is more like a lockout than a strike. The reduction on all kinds of cloth was based on the rate of 10 cents per cut (of 62 yards) on the plain towelling.

This cloth has 32 picks per inch; that is there are 32 threads to the inch, and a loom making 170 picks per minute (the maximum speed at the mill) could produce in eleven hours two cuts of cloth or twenty cents worth. This of course takes no account of stoppages, &c.

As a matter of experience a weaver may make a cut and a half of cloth in a day on one loom, and on four looms, which is the number at present allotted to each, one could make 60 cents. The best weavers might make 80 cents on the more difficult goods, on which the price per cut is more but the production is less.

The weavers contend that it is wrong to base their wages on rates paid in remote country mills, where living is cheaper. The directors hold that they must meet all competition—especially as living is much cheaper in the city than formerly.

The operatives have behaved with propriety, and it is to be hoped that the mills will soon resume. It would be a misfortune to the community to have them suspend in these hard times.

The following report of the conference between the directors and a committee of the operatives—Messrs. A. N. Biggs, J. E. Littleton, Robt. Sanford, Jack Reeves, E. L. Barnes and Luther Greer—is furnished by the directors:

WILMINGTON COTTON MILLS. WILMINGTON, N. C., June 18, '94. The Directors of the Wilmington Cotton Mills gave the committee of weavers and carders a hearing this morning at 11 o'clock.

The situation was discussed from the standpoint of both the mill and the operatives, and statements were made as to what other mills were doing. After due consideration of all the points involved the Directors reached the conclusion that the Wilmington Mills would be paying, after the reduction, as high wages as the best mills, and higher than the average rates.

They therefore decided that the reduced values of all products in the markets and the close competition for business would necessitate their adhering to the schedule recently made.

Cotton Belt Weather. There were good rains yesterday in the cotton belt, outside of the Wilmington and Savannah districts. There was "a trace" of rain at Raleigh and Cheraw, and 2-100ths of an inch at Charlotte; at other stations no rain was reported.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Fortunate Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

Mr. B. W. Bunting is sick and confined to his room. Mr. D. Reid Williams has returned from attending school in New York.

Miss Bessie Cline, of Newton, N. C., is in the city on a visit to Miss Sallie Smith. Mr. D. B. Foy, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to Raleigh yesterday.

Mr. A. S. Richardson and Capt. V. V. Richardson, of Whiteville, were visitors in the city yesterday. Mr. R. A. Brand, soliciting agent for the A. C. L. with headquarters at Sumter, S. C., was in the city yesterday.

The marriage of Miss Minnie Andrews West to Mr. Wm. Gainer Martin, at Raleigh, Wednesday, June 27th, is announced. Messrs. E. Pope, Scotts Hill; J. F. Laughley, Sumter; A. W. McLean, Lumberton, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Mr. Martin T. Daniel has opened the old Hewlette place at Ocean View, and is having it thoroughly remodeled and additions made. Mr. J. H. Robinson, who has been seriously sick for some weeks past, is rapidly improving and is expected to be able to get out in a few days.

Mr. Albert Solomon left here yesterday to accept a position with H. M. Nathan & Co., of Charlotte. His friends wish him success in his new field. Mr. Jas. Hall, son of Mr. B. F. Hall, returned home yesterday from Davidson College, where he graduated. He was a marshal at the Commencement exercises.

Messrs. C. D. Sikes and G. A. White, of Pender, called at the STAR office yesterday. They report crops very fair for the season, though rain is much needed just now.

Charlotte Observer: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pigford and family, who have been making Charlotte their home, will leave shortly for Wilmington, their former home, probably to remain.

Messrs. W. E. Murchison, of Moore, and Mr. D. H. McLean, of Harnett, visited the STAR office last night. They are both old-time friends of the editor, and he was glad to see them.

Mr. Thos. D. Meares, Mr. Wash. Catlett, Mr. Jno. L. Dudley, Mr. S. Behrens and Mr. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., Jr., leave here to-day to attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, at Winston, N. C.

Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M. REGULAR meeting this (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock.

For Sale—Building Lots in desirable and healthy localities on Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Wilson, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Queen, Castle, Church, Nun, Ann, Orange, Dock, Market, Princess and Chesnut, Mulberry, Red Cross, Rankin, Wood, Bay and Charlotte streets.

Grand Family Excursion SOUTHPORT, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, under the auspices of St. Thomas' Congregation.

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J. H. REHDER & CO. Fourth Street, next to Bridge. Store closed every Friday at 1 o'clock till September 1st.

SEACOAST RAILROAD. Schedule in Effect June 15, 1894.

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