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Calendar for August 1895, showing days of the week and dates.

PORT ALBERTA—August 14. Rain 5.17 A.M. to 10 P.M. 19. 84 m. High Water at Southport. 1.37 A.M. High Water at Wilmington. 8.24 P.M.

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE WEATHER BUREAU, WASHINGTON, D. C., August 14. Meteorological data for yesterday.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY. For Virginia, fair; continued high temperature; variable winds.

For North Carolina and South Carolina, fair and probably slightly warmer in the interior; showers on the coast; northerly winds becoming variable.

Cotton Market Bulletin. The rainfall yesterday in Wilmington was 1.23 inches; Goldsboro, 2.30; Newbern, 0.33; Raleigh, 0.37; Greensboro, 0.15; Lumberton, 0.13. There were heavy rains throughout the cotton belt with the exception of the Galveston, Little Rock and Montgomery districts.

OUTLINES. Evidence that the Belmont-Morgan bond syndicate intend to protect the Treasury gold reserve has been received at the Treasury Department.

There are no indications that Sunday night's riot at Winston, N. C., will be resumed; the militia and special policemen are still on duty, however, as the situation is such that there is no telling what may happen.

Hammett Swing, a young man of Davidson county, lost his life in attempting to save his sweetheart from drowning.

Some of the members of the bond syndicate have been discovered violating their contract in regard to gold shipment. Minister Ransom denies the report that he has made statements reflecting upon the Government of Mexico.

The State Convention of the Farmers' Alliance meet at Cary, near Raleigh. A part of a gang of thieves who have been working along the line of the Western & Norfolk Railroad have been captured.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Southern Railroad and Steamship Association convened in New York yesterday. Chicago grain and provision market.

Cotton spots and futures. Foreign news.—An assault was made on the American school at Tarsus, Syria, and the U. S. cruiser Marblehead has been ordered to the scene of trouble.

A commission has been appointed to inquire into the massacre of Christians in China; Spain's reserves have been called out for service in Cuba.

Senators Ben Tillman, of South Carolina, and Marion Butler, of North Carolina, spoke to 3,000 people at Concord, N. C., yesterday.

Corbett causes another sensation at the boxing carnival at Buffalo, N. Y. Free silver Democrats will hold a conference in Washington, D. C., to-day; almost every State will be represented.

Record of base ball games yesterday. New York markets: Money on call easy at 1 1/4 per cent., last loan at 1 per cent., and closing offered at 1 per cent.

Southern flour dull and weak—common for extra \$2.10@2.20; good to choice \$3.00@3.25; wheat—spot dull; options firmer. No. 2 red in store and at elevator 71 1/2@73 1/2; soft 70@72 1/2; corn—spot higher on fair export demand; No. 2 at elevator nominal at 47 1/2; soft nominal 47 1/2; spirits turpentine dull but steady at 27 1/2@27 3/4; rosin quiet and steady—strained common to good \$1.33 1/2@1.37 1/2.

That Atlanta bull fighting is only going to be a side-show business even in the padded form. Senator Quay isn't saying much, but he is getting in his work all the same, and our opinion is will scoop the other fellows.

It is said that Holmes, the murderer, killed his victims with gas. It is a good thing that Holmes didn't go into politics. Six skeletons have recently been dug up from under a Chicago bar room. Ever there is no proof that Holmes ever ran it.

WILMINGTON, N. C., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1895.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

German Judges do not always clearly consider the difficulties which confront the officers of the law in carrying out their sentences.

—Misses Sallie and Willie Ennett are on the sick list. —Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smallbones have gone to Hickory. —Mr. Geo. S. Taylor is sick and confined to his home.

—Mr. Hugh Yopp has a position with the steam laundry. —Capt. W. H. Gannon and E. E. Groom, of Charleston, are in the city. —Mr. E. T. Pullen leaves to-day for a short vacation at Morehead City.

—Mr. W. J. Washburn, of Jacksonville, N. C., was in the city yesterday. —Miss Mattie B. Willis has returned from a visit to friends at Washington, D. C.

—Mr. H. H. McKoy, of Dunn, is here on a visit to his brother Mr. Malcolm McKoy. —Mrs. Chris Oldham, of Aniston, Ala., is here on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Oldham.

—Mr. Johnson Graham, the celebrated "General Coxy," has accepted a position with the Parcel. —Mr. H. H. Dougherty returned yesterday from Southport, where he has been on railroad business.

—Miss Mabel Price, of Southport, passed through the city yesterday on her return from a visit to friends in Newbern. —Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pulliam have gone North. Mr. Pulliam is attending the general convention of claim agents.

—Lieut. Alex. R. Hasson arrived in the city last night on special duty at the Torpedo War College, at Newport, R. I. —Mr. R. C. Banks, of Rocky Mount, is in the city on a visit to his father, Mr. W. W. Banks, foreman at the Champion Press.

—Mr. W. B. Harker, of Maxton, the best posted man in society news in Robeson county, except ex-Sheriff McEachern, was a visitor at the STAR office yesterday. He left for home on the afternoon train.

—Messrs. Jno. A. McLean, Maxton; J. J. Powers, Laurinburg; E. L. Pearce, Scott's Hill; W. D. Mann, J. M. Clayton, N. C.; J. P. McNeill, W. L. Jones, Kinross; J. L. Powell, Vineland; J. S. Hartzell, Clinton; J. C. Murphree, Greensboro; B. G. Thompson and wife, Cora Thompson, H. B. Jennings, Southport; C. R. McCanley, Goldsboro; J. A. Brown, Whiteville, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

BY RIVER AND RAIL. Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday. Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—11 cases spirits turpentine, 38 bbls rosin, 12 bbls tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—82 cases spirits turpentine, 108 bbls rosin, 63 bbls tar, 31 bbls crude turpentine. Carolina Central R. R.—79 cases spirits turpentine, 285 bbls rosin, 43 bbls tar, 8 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley R. R.—85 cases spirits turpentine, 131 bbls rosin, 40 bbls tar. Steamer Daggett—61 bbls crude turpentine. Steamer A. P. Hurt—16 cases spirits turpentine, 138 bbls rosin, 93 bbls tar, 11 bbls crude turpentine.

Schooner Argyle—5 cases spirits turpentine, 32 bbls rosin, 4 bbls crude turpentine. Total receipts—Spirits turpentine, 258 cases; rosin, 747 bbls; tar, 258 bbls; crude turpentine, 119 bbls.

Firemen's Challenge. The Silsby steam fire engine loaned by Newbern to Wilmington, says the Journal, to enable the latter city to send two engines to the contest, was returned safely yesterday. A telegram of thanks from Chief Newman was also received.

When our engine, the quickest steaming one in the world, made so by the talent of Newbern machinists, was received at Wilmington, the firemen there sent a telegram to Newbern challenging the world to a quick steaming contest. Newbern replied by challenging Wilmington to a steaming distance throwing contest—Wilmington's engine is much more powerful than Newbern's, hence it will be seen the relative prowess of the two cities was for the time reversed.

Each engine was gotten back home yesterday and the last telegram from Mr. Parmele withdrew their quick steaming challenge and directed Mayor Ellis to tell Assistant Chief W. D. Barrington that the distance challenge was accepted.

Funeral of the Late Norwood V. Gause. Funeral services over the remains of the late Norwood V. Gause were held yesterday afternoon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The building was crowded with friends and relatives of the deceased. Rev. F. N. Skinner conducted the services, assisted by Bishop A. A. Watson.

After the services the remains were laid to rest in the family lot at Oakdale cemetery. The pall bearers were (honorary) W. G. Forlong and J. W. Martens; active, A. J. Howell, Jr., DuBruz Cutler, Jr., Adam Epley, Joe Jacoby, T. G. Garden and Arthur Mitchell. The floral offerings were numerous and very handsome.

Excursion from Black River. About 150 excursionists from Mill Creek, on Black river, arrived here yesterday on the steamboat Frank Sessions. They went to Carolina Beach in the afternoon, returning in the evening to Wilmington, and to-day many of them will visit Ocean View. The Sessions will leave on the return trip to Mill Creek at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

THE MORNING STAR

WILMINGTON, N. C., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1895.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Consideration of Taxpayers of Over-Valuation of Property—A Few Alterations Made and More to be Considered.

The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county met yesterday afternoon to hear complaints of taxpayers regarding the valuation of property as returned by the assessors for the year 1895. There were present Messrs. H. A. Bagg (chairman), B. G. Worth, E. L. Pearce, B. S. Moorford and T. C. Stevenson, of the Board and a number of other citizens.

The Board decided to hear applications first from Harnett Township, and the following were considered. Mrs. S. J. Braddy applied for reduction of assessment on her property. After consideration, the valuation was reduced from \$2,300 to \$1,000.

Application for reduction of valuation of property of Mrs. E. C. Davis, 747 acres, on Forters Neck, was considered, and the Board reduced the valuation of said property from \$6,500 to \$5,500. The valuation of 730 acres of land, property of Mrs. W. A. Wright, was reduced on account of reduction of acreage, from \$10,800 to \$9,000.

Property of Mrs. Jane Harper, in Harnett township, remains as assessed, \$1,000. In Cape Fear township, on motion it was ordered that the valuation of property be made as fixed by the assessors. There appearing to be no complaint from Masonboro township, on motion the Board let the valuation of property in said township as fixed by the assessors.

Complaints from Federal Point township were then heard. Application of Hans A. Kure for reduction in valuation was considered, and on motion it was reduced from \$2,400 to \$1,900.

By order of the Board, the valuation of the property of the New Hanover Transit Company, including the hotel, two cottages and five acres of land, was changed from \$3,500 to \$3,000.

By order of the Board, the Carolina Beach property was valued at \$970, including the Atkins and Canaday tract and eighty-five acres about Carolina Beach.

The Board then, on motion, took a recess until 3:30 p. m. Wednesday (to-day), when complaints from taxpayers of Wilmington township will be heard.

Base Ball. Lovers of base ball have an opportunity to see some fine games this week. A team from Raleigh will play the Wilmington club this afternoon.

RALEIGH HAPPENINGS.

A DEFICIT IN THE CITY'S FINANCES. Severe Electric Storm—Secretary Coke's House—Part of Wake County Buildings for Sale—The S. A. L.—Call for a Convention of All Persons Opposed to the Single Gold Standard.

[Star Correspondence] RALEIGH, N. C., August 13. Secretary Coke has a case of typhoid fever, so pronounced by the attendant physician. A consulting physician called in last evening and his case is pronounced most serious. The family state at 11 m. that there is a slight change for the better. At one time yesterday some of his friends despaired of his recovery.

A severe electric storm prevailed over the city yesterday afternoon. The street cars were deranged for a time. A house belonging to Wm. Mitchell in the eastern part of the city was struck by lightning, resulting in much damage to the house and seriously injuring persons on the inside. A little 8-year old child has not been able to bear since the lightning struck the house. The cock which was standing by the stove was knocked back ten feet on her back.

It is quite strange, but there are localities in the county which are suffering from rain, while Raleigh has had an abundance. In west Raleigh, near the A. & M. College, rain is suffering very much. Upon the whole, the crop crop is much better than usual.

One of the largest ponds in the county, about sixteen miles from Raleigh, will be drained to-morrow. It promises to be a big day for fish, and many people from here will attend. Quite a party of Raleigh people are attending the Sunday school chautauq at Red Springs. Mr. M. B. Broughton, of this city, is president.

The collection of property taxes will begin as soon as the assessments from the county can be obtained, probably by September 10th. Col. John H. Winder, General Manager of the S. A. L., is in the city. He was in consultation with the city authorities relative to building a bridge over their crossing on Morgan street, which street the Aldermen have ordered to be opened.

An excursion leaves Raleigh in the morning for Wilmington. A base ball team from this city plays the Wilmington team. There is a deficit of \$15,000 in the city's finances. A part of this will be made good when the tax returns come in. There was a deficit of about \$9,000, which the old board left as a legacy. This will have to be made good either by economy or issue of bonds. The Board will act on the matter at the next meeting.

[Special Star Telegram.] The following call was circulated on the streets to-day signed by Ed. Chambers Smith, Judge McRae, John S. Cunningham, and many others. The call will be circulated in every county in the State:

"Recognizing the importance of an expression of the people upon political conventions before the meeting of National conventions which declare and settle the politics of the parties, and believing that the property and happiness of the great body of the people depend upon the re-establishment of the unit of value, which existed prior to the year 1873, and the demonetization of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, we recommend that all persons who are opposed to the single gold standard be called together for consultation at some early date."

Mrs. R. H. Lewis is dead. W. H. Rand, of Wake county, has been elected steward of the institution for the blind, at a meeting of the trustees, held at the hotel between Rand and Mr. Grimes, the present incumbent. Chas. Higginberger, of Clarkburg, Md., was elected superintendent of the mat and broom department. There were twenty-five applications for the stewardship.

LIST OF LETTERS Remaining in the Wilmington Post-office August 14, 1895: WOMEN'S LIST. A—Mrs Annia Allison, B—Mrs C. C. Bunting, C—Miss Callie Carroll, G—Mrs J. P. Garrison, Miss Neal Marvin, H—Miss J. A. Hopkins, J—Miss Mary G. Jones, K—Mrs M. G. Kenyon, L—Mrs Jane Lovic, M—Mrs Rachel Moses, P—Miss Nellie Powers, S—Miss Lou Simmons, T—Miss Mary Thomas, W—Mrs M. C. Wilson.

MISSON'S LIST. B—Mr E. J. Buckley, Mr Edwin Brown, C—W. H. Caldwell, E—Mr M. S. Elliott, F—Chas. O. Farrow, F. F. Fortner, W. G. Foust, G—Arthur Godbold, Mr Michel Gaylor, H—E. E. Hony, Justice Hal-lare, John G. Hardenborough, L—A. B. Larkin, Edgar M. Leonard, G. W. Lawrence, H—Edward Powell, Sellers Patrick, S—Charles Satter, J. L. Sims, Sukey Smith, W—G. D. Wilson, A. Simons, Lumber Co.

RETURN TO THE DEAD-LETTER OFFICE. Blair & Blair, Sylvester Nutt. Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in 15 days, they will be sent to the dead letter office. GEO. L. MORTON, Postmaster.

NEW YORK TRUCK MARKET. Full and Reliable Reports of Markets For Southern Produce and Vegetables. By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, August 13.—Peas in good supply and quiet, but about steady for choice. Maryland and Delaware peaches in large supply, good demand and firm. Grapes steady for Delaware. Watermelons steady, with some choice. Sweet potatoes in supply liberal to inferior stock. Sweet potatoes arrive in a small way. Huckleberries 5 to 7 cents. Peas 75c to \$1.00. Do Bartlett 50 to 60 cents. Grapes—South Carolina, carrier, \$1.50 to 2.00; do North Carolina, carrier, \$1.00 to 2.00; do Virginia, basket, 12 to 25 cents; do Bartlett 50 to 60 cents. Grapes—Watermelons, humped, 75c to \$1.00; do car load \$1.00 to 2.00. Potatoes, sweet, melons, best, 3 to 15 cents; car load \$50.00 to \$100.00; do crate 75 cents to \$1.00. Plums—Delaware, Japanese, best, 20 to 25 cents. Potatoes, sweet, barrel, \$1.00 to 2.75.

If there is anything you want advertised for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents.

WHAT WILL THE CROP BE?

The Popular Estimate at New Orleans is 7,500,000 Bales—Flax—One of Debt-Will Not Rush That Cotton to Market. Messrs. Atwood, Violet & Co., in their cotton letter, furnish the following statistics and estimates:

"The world's visible supply of American cotton on first crop, will be about 550,000 larger than September last year, and yet the excess in the crop over last year is 2,800,000, thus proving the large consumption of it. The question of supply, so far as the near crop is concerned, is now the most important factor in the cotton market (as usual, at this time), inasmuch as we are on the verge of the marketing of it, and estimates of its size, are from 7,000,000 to 9,000,000. The popular estimates at New Orleans, where the people are in touch with the producer, and more familiar with crop conditions of the Gulf States and Southwest (where the greater portion of the crop is raised) are about 7,500,000 to 8,500,000 less than that of the current season. The crop of four years ago was 9,000,000, and the following year 6,700,000 and again, the crop of 1900, for the first six months of the cotton season of 1894-95, 'the average movement in September during the last fifteen years (including this season) was 777,500, and for October, 1,541,333, against 608,000 and 3,301,000, respectively, last year. The crops during that period did not exceed 400,000 bales. It is fair to estimate on account of the lateness of this crop, while last year it was early, that the movement in September will not exceed 400,000 bales, or 500,000 less than last year, and for the five weeks to November 30, 2,301,000 or 9,000,000 for the first six months of the cotton season of 1894-95, 'the average movement in September during the last fifteen years (including this season) was 777,500, and for October, 1,541,333, against 608,000 and 3,301,000, respectively, last year. The crops during that period did not exceed 400,000 bales. 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