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Fort Almanac—February 20.
Sun Rises..... 6:45 A. M.
Sun Sets..... 5:45 P. M.
Day's Length..... 11 h 00 m
High Water at Southport..... 1:30 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington..... 2:18 A. M.

The Weather.
U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 19.
Meteorological data for yesterday:
Temperature: 8 a. m., 33°; 8 p. m., 50°.
Minimum, 27°; maximum, 58°; mean, 40°.
Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month up to date, 4.55.

FOR THE DAY.
For North Carolina, nearly clear, colder with a cold wave; northwesterly winds.

The centre of the Lake storm has advanced to the upper St. Louis valley and a secondary has formed on the New England coast. The pressure has risen rapidly in the rear of the storm causing winds throughout the country east of the Mississippi. A cold wave has developed with great rapidity, having started in the upper Mississippi valley, and it now extends southward as far as Kentucky, and eastward throughout the Ohio valley and the Lake region. It seems likely to overspread the entire east and southward to the coast.

For Thursday clearing and decidedly colder weather is indicated for New England and the lower Lake regions, and decidedly colder for the Middle South Atlantic, East Gulf States and lower Mississippi valley. It will remain fair and cold in the Ohio and upper Mississippi and upper Lake region.

OUTLINES
The Mississippi Populists are holding their State Convention at Jackson; they are a small attendance. The gold reserve at the close of business yesterday, stood at \$91,418,820. The Morgan syndicate will get \$93,000,000 of the new bonds. Four men were killed and seven others seriously injured by a steam log bender in a lumber camp in Michigan. But little damage was done to fruit and truck in Florida by the cold wave. Secretary Carlisle, who had been petitioned by Democratic members of the Kentucky Legislature to use his influence with the Democrats who refused to vote for Blackburn, declined to interfere, and the supporters of Blackburn are angry over the deliberate refusal he has received. The Swannanoa Hotel at Asheville was damaged by fire to the amount of \$10,000. "Bill Nye" was stricken with paralysis at his home near Asheville and his physician says that his death may occur at any moment. The boiler of a locomotive on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Washington Railroad exploded, killing the engineer and fireman. A severe blizzard prevails in Michigan and Minnesota, and railroad traffic is interrupted by the heavy snow fall. Yesterday was a day of watching and waiting among the prize fighting element at El Paso; all sorts of stories were afloat as to where the ring has been pitched; both of the pugilists are reported to be in good condition. The Westminster Gazette publishes an article urging Lord Salisbury not to further delay the reply of Great Britain to the proposal to appoint a joint British and American Venezuela Commission. N. Y. markets: Money on call easy at 9/64 per cent, last loan at 8, closing offering at 3; cotton quiet; middling gulf 8 1/2; middling 7 1/2; Southern flour steady and unchanged; common to extra fair \$3.40 @ 3.50; good to choice \$3.00 @ 3.20; wheat—spot was fairly active and strong; No. 2 red in store and at elevator 79 1/2; float 80 @ 80 1/2; corn—spot dull and firm. No. 2 at elevator 38 1/2; float 37 1/2; spirits turpentine quiet and easy at 39 1/2 @ 39 3/4; rosin quiet and firm; strained common to good \$1.60 @ 1.63 1/2.

Some Republican out in Wisconsin has started an infant boom for Mr. Spooner. Spooner? Spooner? Well, yes, we believe there is such a man.

Judge Lynch was successful in running in opposition to the regular courts last year. He had 171 executions, as against 132 in the regular way.

As far as he has gone the indications are that Gen. Weyler who has taken the contract of crushing the Cubans proposes to edit his own war news.

Adaline Patti says she will make another farewell tour in this country on condition that her agent guarantee her a net spot cash return of \$300,000. Patti's farewell visits come high but we must have some of them.

The Philadelphia Times says Quay is in the fight to stay. Quay has pretty good staying properties. He made a speech on the tariff bill in the last Congress that was so long that there wasn't time to finish it before the session closed. His wind is good and if wind counts for much in the convention he may give the other gentlemen more than they want.

The State of Mississippi, following the example of North Carolina, works its penitentiary convicts on a farm. Last year it employed 230 convicts on a farm which, with the running expenses for the year, cost \$95,000. The crops raised on it, cotton, pork, peas, &c., sold for \$155,000, bringing the State a profit of \$60,000, which wasn't bad farming.

Prof. Garner has returned from monkey land, where he professes to have acquired much additional information about monkey lingo. He hopes yet to be able to talk in their language quite as eloquently as educated monkeys do. He says he has found some of them who converse more fluently than some of the other natives down there.

According to a late report made by Turkish authority, the total number of persons killed in the Harpoot Province is 39,234, and the number of destitute 94,770. The Turk who made this report probably thought it a pretty moderate and fair showing.

Marshall Field, of Chicago, remarks that the standard of business morality has fallen considerably in this country in recent years. But it must be remembered that the Republican party has recovered its grip on a large portion of this country.

Mr. Jerome K. Jerome thinks that while the dead languages may do very well for the man who is engaged in the cemetery business, the practical, hustling, live man will find one living language more useful than several dead ones.

A Cuba dispatch the other day said the Spaniards had captured a train and run as far as Salod. Salud means "health," from which it may be inferred that they went as far as they considered it healthy to go.

The Grand Army colony in Georgia has named the streets on the north side of the city of Fitzgerald after Federal Generals and those on the south side after Confederate Generals.

The British capitalists are now buying back some of the securities which they dumped on the New York stock market after the Venezuela question was popped on them.

Mrs. Lease made her first sermon in Wichita, Kansas, last Sunday. The church was crowded and they say she preaches better than she talks politics.

Gen. Weyler is said to have a systematic plan for putting down the insurrection in Cuba. It remains to be seen how the plan will pan out.

J. H. HARDIN—Removal.
MERCER & EVANS—434 1/2 steps.
STATEMENT—U. S. Branch North Imperial Los Co.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

Judge Meares is holding Court in Newbern this week.

The stage of water in the river at Fayetteville Monday at 8 a. m., was 11.6 feet.

Local forecast: Possibly light snow and much colder Thursday; high northwest winds.

The STAR may have had every day of M. L. Skipper at his new depot, northeast corner of Market and Front streets.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, was observed yesterday with appropriate services in the Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches.

The "beautiful snow" was decidedly ugly and disagreeable yesterday. With the rise of the mercury and under the warm rays of the sun it melted rapidly.

A called meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at the National Bank of Wilmington at 8.30 p. m. to-day. The question of compulsory pilotage will be discussed. Representatives of the pilots are invited to take part.

Death of Mrs. Olive B. Craig.

Mrs. Olive B. Craig died last night at her residence in this city after a short illness, of heart trouble, in the 68th year of her age. She was a pious Christian woman, member of Fifth Street M. E. church, and leaves a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn her death. She was the mother of Mr. J. W. King, Mrs. H. D. Stanland, and the late Mrs. J. W. Perdue, all of this city. Her funeral will take place to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, from the residence, No. 318 Mac Rae street.

If there is anything you want, advertise 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 30 cents.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Fortunate Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Potentially Printed.

—Mr. L. Tate Bowden continues to improve.

—Mr. J. A. Thomas is out after his recent illness.

—Mr. Joe Strauss has returned from a visit to Suster, S. C.

—Mr. A. McLeod, of Newbern, arrived in the city yesterday.

—Mr. Jas. Calder, of the A. C. L., is out after a protracted illness.

—Mr. Chas. R. Lewis was reported as improving yesterday.

—Mr. Jas. H. Chadborn returned yesterday from a Northern tour.

—Mr. H. F. Donngan, of Louisville, Ky., was in the city yesterday, a guest at the Parcell.

—Mr. H. B. Griffith, of New York, was in the city yesterday, registered at the Purcell.

—Messrs. J. W. and H. L. Fry, of the C. F. & V. R. R., are in the city on a business visit.

—Mr. W. A. Hall, of Wilmington, Del., was a visitor in the city yesterday stopping at the Parcell.

—Miss M. Strauss, a popular young lady of Mavesville, S. C., is in the city, a guest of Mrs. A. P. Levy.

—Mr. Alex. Sessoms, of Hope Mills, and Mr. Jeff D. Sessoms, of Stockman, were visitors in the city yesterday.

—Messrs. R. F. Koonce, Jacksonville; C. H. Hildridge, Raleigh; J. E. Royal, Clinton, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

—Messrs. Thos. Morse, Ed. Pearl, Robt. W. Davis, Frank D. Stalls, Theo. Poling and S. F. Craig, of Southport, were in the city yesterday.

FOUR SMALL FIRES.

The Damage Slight in Each—Attempt to Burn Williston Graded School.

There were four alarms of fire yesterday, but the damage in each did not amount to as much as ten dollars. The first was sent in about 10 o'clock a. m. from box 47, corner of Third and Wooster streets. The fire was on Wooster, between Third and Fourth streets, and had caught the shingle roof of a small wooden building, the property of Mr. Henry Howard.

At 11:30 o'clock the second alarm was sounded from box 33, corner of Sixth and Princess streets. The fire was on the roof of a wooden building, property of heirs of the late Louis Williams, and occupied by Mrs. Mittie Moore.

The third alarm rang in at 5:30 p. m. from box 54, corner Eighth and Market streets. The fire was on the roof of a one-story frame dwelling owned and occupied by Jas. Evans, colored. A small hole was burned through the roof.

About 9 o'clock last night an alarm was turned in from box 51, corner of South and Nan streets. The fire Department turned out promptly. The fire was found to be under the Williston graded school house (colored), on Seventh between Ann and Nan streets. The flames were soon quenched and very small damage was done. This fire was plainly of incendiary origin.

Reunited Germany.

A most enjoyable discourse was delivered again by Prof. Bitton at the Y. M. C. A. last night. The subject, Reunited Germany, was handled with the same skill as his lecture, "The Four Nations" of Tuesday night. His audience was delighted until the close and as he carried his hearers along the old historic Rhine, visiting the famous castles and palaces, one could feel that they were in reality in historic Germany. The views of some of the famous paintings that decorate the walls of the many noted palaces of Germany, were indeed enjoyable to behold, and Prof. Bolton's selections of scenes showed remarkable taste and great pains taken, for his collection cannot be surpassed.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington and Weldon R. R.—116 bales cotton.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—171 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 62 bbls rosin, 18 bbls tar.

Carolina Central R. R.—85 bales cotton, 39 bbls rosin, 9 bbls tar.

Case Fear & Yadin Valley R. R.—8 bales cotton 3 casks spirits turpentine, 100 bbls rosin.

Steamer D. Marchionis—10 casks spirits turpentine, 300 bbls rosin, 18 bbls tar.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—104 bbls rosin, 10 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 390 bales; spirits turpentine, 16 casks; rosin, 538 bbls; tar, 64 bbls.

J. J. Jones Lodge No. 61, K. of P.

At the meeting of Jefferson Lodge, K. of P., Mr. H. E. Bonitz was elected to fill the vacancy of Vice Chancellor, created by the resignation of Mr. C. D. Bray, who has left the city to go into business in Florence, S. C. Mr. H. E. Gibbons was elected Keeper of Records and Seal, to fill the vacancy created by the promotion of Mr. H. E. Bonitz.

Savannah Naval Reserve.

A division of the Naval Militia has been organized at Savannah with an enrollment of 45 men. Mr. Henry I. Seeman was elected Lieutenant-Commander. The company will be equipped at once, having been admitted to the State Militia by the Military Advisory Board at its last meeting in Atlanta last week.

Magistrate's Court.

Alex. Potter and Robt. Williams were before Justice Bunting yesterday, charged with larceny. They were committed to jail in default of \$50 bond to await the action of the Circuit Criminal Court.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Appointments by Gov. Carr—Review Offered for Arrest of Murderers—The Late E. F. Peacor—Shipment of Exhibits to the New York Fair—Visitors at Southern Press—Movement to Establish State a Home for Invalid Federal Soldiers.

[Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 19.

The case of the State vs. Wilcox, which the Supreme Court decided yesterday by giving Wilcox a new trial, is a very important one. Wilcox, a Republican in politics, shot a Democratic registrar in Pasquotank county during the campaign of '94. Wilcox went to the registrar's house and a quarrel ensued. The evidence was that both were engaged in an affray, the registrar using a stick, which in the evidence, was designated a club. Wilcox was hit over the head and finally got the registrar down and shot him. Wilcox was found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to fifteen years in the Penitentiary. The case came to the Supreme Court and was argued by Judge Russell for the defendant. A new trial was granted and the opinion of the Court was that the testimony indicated justifiable homicide. Wilcox is in jail. Gov. Carr has appointed J. P. Woodley of Norfolk and W. H. H. Raleigh, of Baltimore, Commissioners of Deeds.

The Governor has ordered the sale of \$100 each to his commission. One of the rewards was for Matthew and Francis Jones, of Hendersonville, who shot Matt Butler. The wounds will prove fatal. The tragedy occurred near the South Carolina line.

The other reward is for W. R. Hampton (colored) who feigns shot the watchman of the Southern railway roundhouse in Statesville, a few weeks ago, for the purpose of robbery.

The remains of Mr. E. F. Peacor, one of the late Peter F. Peacor, who died in New Orleans Monday, arrived here today. While the funeral party was crossing from the depot carriage ran into the hearse, tearing the rear part of it away. The coffin was struck by the tongue of the carriage, but was damaged only slightly.

This evening several shipments of exhibits and live stock were sent to the Newbern Fair.

Governor Carr has a requisition from the Governor of Virginia for Chas. Jones, alias Chas. Cobb, now confined in Asheville prison. He is wanted for the murder of Mrs. Peacor. As soon as his term expires he will be sent to Virginia.

A leading Republican, Maj. J. B. Hill, is asked what of the political situation. His reply was that "data" and "will" remain as usual the conventional.

Yesterday afternoon a committee of G. A. R. men and physicians passed through here on the Seaboard Air Line train for Southern Pines. The party is from Washington, D. C. and was organized by Capt. A. M. Clarke in the interest of the establishment of a home for invalid soldiers at the healthful resort in Moore county.

The following gentlemen were among the party: Gen. S. Yoder, Col. Gausy, Dr. J. R. Nevitt, Dr. Lewis J. Battle and Dr. N. H. Battle, and several other men are prominent citizens of Washington, D. C.

The committee visit Southern Pines to inspect the location and desirability of the place for a home for invalid soldiers, and the healthfulness of the country and climatic conditions. Upon the favorable report of this committee will be based a petition to Congress for the establishment of a Soldiers' Home at Southern Pines, for the treatment of nose, throat and chest troubles.

A number of prominent Congressmen have been in the city and were much impressed with the place. A bill will likely be introduced in Congress at an early date for the location of the home.

Storm and Cold Wave.

The southwest storm signal was displayed yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock and the weather Bureau advised that the storm was central in New York State, moving east and expected to cause high southwest gales, shifting to northwest with decidedly colder weather.

At 4:30 p. m. the cold wave flag was hoisted, upon instructions from Chief Willis L. Moore, Chief of the Bureau, Washington, D. C. It is predicted that the temperature would fall twenty degrees by Thursday, with high, cold northwest winds.

City Court.

Walter Morgan was arraigned before Mayor pro tem. Von Glahn in the City Court yesterday, charged with stealing small sums of money aggregating \$11.45 from various persons at Mrs. Williamson's boarding house on Grace street near Water. The evidence was sufficient to require Morgan's detention, to answer the Criminal Court charges. In default of bail in the sum of \$100 he was sent to jail.

Ira Breese, found guilty of disorderly conduct, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and costs or work twenty days on the streets.

Be sure to go.

To see and hear Mr. Frederick D. Lokey impersonate the twelve wonderful characters of Oliver Twist at the hall of the Y. M. C. A. next Monday night. He comes highly recommended, having made a great success in other places. The Willoughby, Ohio, Independent says: "Mr. Lokey has a pleasing presence, a rich and well modulated voice, while his powers of mimicry and facial expression stamp him as the peer of any professional in his line."

Buy No Oysters.

All persons are hereby cautioned against buying copies of the STAR offered for sale on the streets unless in every case, the words "For Transient Sale," are stamped on the margin of the paper. Should any newsboy or carrier offer for sale a copy of the STAR not so stamped, he should be promptly reported at this office.

Encyclopaedia Britannica.

The STAR Britannica Department is still filling orders for the Encyclopaedia Britannica. This is the latest and best edition of this great work. Issued in 35 volumes, bound in cloth or sheep. For full particulars read announcement on third page, or inquire at the STAR office.

PROBESON COUNTY NEWS.

Heavy Sales of Grain—A Live Firm at Red Springs—A Heavy Frost.

From the Lambertson Robinsonian:

"We stated last week (and it was copied into the Wilmington STAR) that Messrs. O. C. Norman & Co. had filled 600 orders for guano and had started on the second 800 order book. Messrs. Caldwell & Gayle have ordered 1,000 more orders, which will make 1,600 orders for them if all are filled.

We learn from Rev. S. M. Rankin, of Red Springs, who is in town last Tuesday of emotion, that Messrs. Livermore & McKinnon are making business lively in that town. Mr. Livermore has a very large hold upon the people of his section, and they will patronize him so long as he is in their reach. He is a fine business man, and we learn, made a lot of money last year. He is a lawyer and a book collector. Mr. H. C. McMillan says, has the finest library of any man in the county. Mr. McKinnon is also a very popular man.

From Harker's Maxton letter: Post-office inspector, Wm. Conrad, was in Maxton one day last week as witness against the W. H. Harker of Union county. Hasty wrote to Mr. J. W. Elwell, of this city, on a postal card, and used a word which rymes with the termination of the word "Harker." The United States Commissioner considered it poor poetry and bound Hasty over to the United States Court at Charlotte.

[Now, really, Harker, doesn't the word rhyme better with the first than with the last syllable of your fellow-townsmen's name? It's Hengliab, you know."—STAR.]

THE COMMODORE.

Still at Her Dock in Charleston—But the Cutter Colfax Has Departed.

The little alleged filibuster, Commodore, says the News and Courier, is an exceedingly unsatisfactory vessel from a newspaper man's standpoint, as she lies idly at the wharf of the W. H. Harker, a question Mr. W. H. Harker, of Union county. There are no new developments. A reporter for the News and Courier yesterday interviewed everyone who had any connection whatsoever with the little vessel, but discovered nothing new.

Mr. Rougeau, who is here in some capacity, probably as an agent of the owners of the arms with which the Commodore is loaded, said that Captain Higgins would be absent for some time, and that the vessel would probably be here for two months or more.

There is a much believed report to the effect that the Commodore sits so deep in the water that she is unable to load arms and ammunition, but because of many tons of sand and rock contained in her hold, with a few arms and cartridges, she is unable to run the risk of loss of a valuable cargo or vessel, hence the sand and rock and the old battered up Commodore.

It is believed that the Commodore will be sent back to Wilmington, others say to Savannah.

The crew of the Commodore, who were paid off night before last, have all left the ship. The cutter, which is in charge and Mr. Frank Miller, others watchman, are the sole occupants at present.

DR. EUGENE GRISSOM.

Attempted Suicide at Denver, Colorado—Will Be Sent to the State Insane Asylum.

A special from Denver, Col., to the New York Herald of Saturday says that Dr. Eugene Grissom, who has been acting strangely of late, mounted a boot-black's stand about half past 10 o'clock Friday morning, and while the negro was shining his shoes swallowed about an ounce of chloroform. He will recover.

Dr. Grissom has been in failing health for several years, but after recent treatment in a Cincinnati asylum he returned home with his faculties available. In the North Carolina Insane Asylum he acquired a national reputation as an expert on mental diseases, but after a year of confinement in that institution he was forced to leave. He achieved an equal reputation in Colorado.

When the corner stone of the capitol was laid in 1862, one of the oldest Masons in the United States. He was a member of the Supreme Council of Masonry for several years, and was the Inspector General of North Carolina at one time.

It has been evident to his friends for several weeks that his mind was failing, and he was unable to take care of himself. He was sent to the State Insane Asylum.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining in the Wilmington Post-office February 20, 1896:

WOMEN'S LIST.

A—Miss Fannie Atkinson. B—Miss Lenora Bueber, Mrs. S. J. Black, C—Mrs. Hattie B. Black, D—Mrs. M. C. Black, E—Mrs. Frank Ellis, Miss S. J. Byrd, F—Mrs. S. T. Jags, H—Mrs. Hattie Hennessey, Miss Minnie Hatchett, Mrs. Susan Hennessey, Mrs. Emeline Lewis, Mrs. Mattie James, Mrs. Annie Lewis, Mrs. Mary Lewis, M—A Moore, R—Mrs. Alice Roundtree, Q—Mrs. Sarah J. Quinn, S—Mrs. B. J. Stephens, Nancy Simmons, Misery Simmons, Peggy Sloan, T—Mary A. Thompson, Mary A. Thomas, W—Bertha Williams.

MEN'S LIST.

B—Blisset & Bester, G. W. Brom, J. H. Brunette, W. B. Batts & Co., Sidney Brunette (2), D—F. Duff, E—Davis Evans, G—Frederick Glenn, Geo. Gallopway, H—W. B. Hill, Willie Hardwick, I—E. W. Jarrett, Roy W. Lovon (2), J—Lee Quong, M—Rev. Alex. McNeill, D. T. Murray, Oscar Martin, C. R. McKee, Wm. Henry Mitchell, O—W. J. Quinn, P—A. L. Powell, Noah Powell, R—A. Robertson, Wesley O. Robins, S—T. D. Saart, Ellis Sherman, E. J. S. Lewis, John Suter, Samuel Lewis Smith, T—Frank Taylor, W—Isaac Williams, H—G. W. Hutson, J—Richard James, M—Henry Moore.

RETURNED FROM DEAD-LETTER OFFICE.

Mary Beman, Henry Howard, E. W. Sen, J. B. Sinclair, J. B. Peacock.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in 10 days, they will be sent to the dead letter office.

GEO. L. MORTON, Postmaster.

Housekeepers who want servants are in the habit of supplying their needs from the STAR's want column. Are you looking for a situation? The STAR's want column will bring you the best results. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents.

Statement

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE UNITED STATES BRANCH OF THE IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

December 31, 1895.

ASSETS.

Value of Real Estate and Ground Rents owned by the Company (less the amount of accounts receivable)..... \$715,680 70

Accounts of stocks and bonds of the United States and of this and other States, also all other stocks and bonds absolutely owned by the Company..... 1,077,708 93

Cash in Company, principal office and other securities..... 5,921 67

Cash in Company, principal office and other securities, deposited in banks belonging to the Company, deposited in banks..... 120,004 20

Premiums or assessments unpaid..... 18,018 94

All other assets, detailed in statement..... 2,178 00

Total assets..... \$1,939,521 87

LIABILITIES.

Losses unpaid, including those retained..... \$77,800 05

Reserve, as required by Law..... 970, 97 00

All other claims..... 30 08 61

Total Liabilities..... \$778,768 25

Total Income..... 128,654 58

Total Expenditures..... 120,694 20

NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS IN 1895.

Risks written..... \$ 518,441 09

Losses paid on Risks written..... 8, 542 00

Losses incurred..... 6,638 40

General Attorney—J. J. CORTNEY.

General Agent—JNO. WILDER ATKINSON, Wilmington.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE,

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

[Seal.] In compliance with Section 9 of "An Act (Seal.) to consolidate the Insurance Laws of North Carolina," I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the statement of the United States Branch of the Imperial Insurance Company on December 31, 1