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Fort Almanac—July 18.

Sun Rises	4.56 A M
Sun Sets	7.15 P M
Day's Length	14 h 19 m
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High Water at Wilmington	2.49 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., July 18.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 75°, 8 p. m., 72°; maximum, 76°; minimum, 72°; mean, 74°.

Rainfall for the day, .38; rainfall for the month up to date, 4.84.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Rainfall in the Wilmington district for the 24 hours ended at 8 a. m. yesterday is reported as follows: Newbern, 1.17 inches; Weldon, 1.66; Goldsboro, 1.40; Lumberton, .04; Greensboro, .18; Wilmington, .06; Charlotte, a trace. Heavy rainfalls in other districts were: South Carolina—St. Matthews, 2.58; Stackville, 2.48; Batesburg, 2.00. Georgia—Bainbridge, 2.00. Alabama—Fort Deposit, 1.68; Evergreen, 1.82; Marion, 3.00.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina, showers; northeasterly winds.

Fair weather may be expected in the Middle and North Atlantic States, followed by increased cloudiness and probably showers Sunday afternoon or night. Showers will continue in the South Atlantic States.

OUTLINES.

The attitude of the Democracy of the State of New York in the coming Presidential campaign will be left for the State Convention to decide. —— The Executive Committee of the Populist National Committee met in St. Louis to day and will decide upon recommendations to be made to the National Committee as to the best course to be pursued next week. Senator Butler is opposed to indorsing Bryan or the candidate of any other party. —— In a speech at Kansas City Mr. Bryan denied the reports that he was or ever had been a member of the A. P. A and the Junior Order of American Mechanics. —— One Italian killed another one on a fishing smack at Charleston, S. C., and committed suicide to avoid arrest. —— The Western Union Telegraph Company will send free bulletins over the country from the two conventions which meet in St. Louis next week, just as it did from the late Republican and Democratic Conventions. —— The Silver party Convention, which meets in St. Louis next week, will act independently of the Populists; the Kansas delegates are instructed to vote as a unit for Bryan. —— Republican and Populist leaders hold a conference in Raleigh to see what can be done towards fusion; Marion Butler declares that a Democrat will not be elected Governor. —— Arrangements between Great Britain and the United States in regard to the Venezuela boundary dispute are still in progress. —— A fierce fight occurred with strikers at Cleveland, Ohio, in which the militia used their bayonets; many were wounded on both sides. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1@2½ per cent, last loan at 2, closing offered at 2 per cent.; cotton quiet; middling gulf 7⅜c; middling uplands 7⅛c; Southern flour dull and unchanged; common to fair extra $2 00@2 60; good to choice $2 60@3 90; wheat—spot dull and firmer; corn—spot dull and firmer; No. 2 38⅜c at elevator and 34¼c afloat; spirits turpentine quiet and easy at 24½@25c; rosin quiet and steady; strained common to good $1 60@1 62½c.

Hon. Charles S. Fairchild is quoted as saying that "credit, not coin," is the cure for our ills. Credit is all right, but where would credit be without coin to back it?

Col. Bird, of Wisconsin, is no bird of ill omen. He predicts that the silver men will carry that State, if Senator Vilas or Gen. Bragg do bolt, and that Bryan will be elected.

The Augusta *Chronicle* remarks that "the more the ticket is discussed the better the people like it." The more it is cussed also by the rabid gold men the better the people will like it.

A gold organ heads a dispatch announcing that Secretary Herbert will not support the Cnicago ticket "Herbert Not a Populist." We expect if the truth was known that Secretary Herbert would find it difficult to say precisely what he is just now.

Li Hung Chang is over 70 years of age, but he can hold his own with the boys. While in Berlin he surprised folks by getting outside of nearly three bottles of champagne in a couple of hours without phasing him.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

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That sixteen-year-old boy who walked all the way from his home in Arkansas to Washington to show an invention which he claimed would prevent vessels from sinking, has pluck and perseverance to bank on, whether he have genius or not. As he failed to convince the naval constructor that his invention would do what he claimed, his trip was a failure, but he didn't become discouraged, remarking that he expected he would have to take it to Europe.

The gold men say they are for "sound money." They haven't got any patent right on that. We are all for sound money. There is just a little hitch as to what sound money means. The gold men contend that only gold is sound money while the friends of silver contend that the money which was sound money from the establishment of the Government down to 1873 is sound money yet.

The New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* remarks that there was no agitation of the silver question until after 1873, when the price of silver began to fall. But there was no need for the agitation before 1873, while the mints were open to silver. It was the action against silver and its disastrous results that made the agitation necessary.

One of Boston's rich men is quoted as saying that one of the greatest evils of the times is the desire to accumulate wealth rapidly. This doesn't apply to the newspaper profession. We are never in a hurry to grab wealth, and are generally satisfied if we can get enough to eat, and gradually lay up a few millions for the rainy season.

The courts are getting things badly mixed up in Kansas. By a recent decision of the Court of Appeals, in which all the judges joined, all the divorces granted in that State for the past twenty-five years are illegal. This puts between 25,000 and 50,000 people in doubt as to what their marital status is.

Some of the gold organs have discovered that Mr. Bryan used that "crown of thorns" and "cross of gold" metaphor in a speech in the House of Representatives in 1894. Well, suppose he did; a thought as strikingly phrased as that was will bear repetition.

A New York poultry man has a "human faced" hen that he found in coop shipped from Michigan. This hen turns up her nose (she has a nose) at corn and other chicken provender and insists on moistened bread and cake.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

VIRGINIA Military Institute.
STR. WILMINGTON—Schedule.
SEACOAST ROAD—Special train.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

FIZSIMMONS—Bicycles.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. Chas. V. VonGlahn is sick and confined to his home.

— Mrs. S. H. Burtt and daughter, Miss Bessie Burtt, have returned from a few weeks pleasantly spent in Virginia.

— Mr. Chas. P. Love, a clever business man of Willis Creek, is in the city on a visit to his brother, Mr. R. R. Love.

— Mr. Wm. E. Westerman, formerly of this city, but now of Old Fort, N. C., is here on a visit to friends and relatives.

— Miss Lottie L. McDonald has returned to the city after a pleasant visit to friends at Parkersburg, Clinton and Roseboro.

— The STAR has the services of Mr. William J. Bellamy as special reporter for the encampment of the Second Regiment.

— Messrs. J. A. Currie, Lumber Bridge; C. E. Matthews, Union; J. M. Browne, Charlotte; H. W. Batters, Hub; T. A. Norment, Lumberton; W. J. Eakin, Hamlet; A. R. Sloan, Chinquepin; B. K. DeLorme, Bennettsville, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Clarendon Yacht Club Canoe Race.

The race started at 4 p. m. in the following order: Nell and Eltie, Restless, Dolphin, Unknown, Whitechief, finishing in the following order: Dolphin, Capt. Dawson Latham; Unknown, Capt. A. B. Elliott; Whitechief, Capt. U. M. Robinson; Restless, Capt. Platt Davis.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Next Wednesday night in the City Court room. Rally, Democrats.

— There will be a practice of the choral choir of the First Baptist church to-night at 8.15.

— Clearing to fair weather for to-day was predicted yesterday by the Weather Bureau.

— The stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Thursday at 8 a. m. was 14.4 feet.

— Rev. L. R. Pruett, of Charlotte, N. C., will preach at the First Baptist church to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 8.15 p. m.

— If there is any argument during the Encampment on the subject of "bull's-eyes," watch the Lumber Bridge Light Infantry.

— The battery for the game of ball to-day will be Zellers and Strayhorn for Wilmington; J. Sellers and Smith for the A. C. L. team.

— Don't forget the game of base ball to-day at Hilton Park. The price of admission will be 15 cents. Ladies will be admitted free.

— Canoe race in the Banks channel at Wrightsville this afternoon, beginning at 3.30 o'clock, for a prize offered by the Clarendon Yacht Club.

— Receipts of cotton for the week ended yesterday, 2 bales; same week last year, 7 bales. Receipts for the crop year to July 17th, 171,056 bales; to same date last year, 234,536.

— A gentleman who keeps up with meteorological conditions informed a STAR representative yesterday that up to Wednesday last rain had fallen here for forty-seven days.

— The Norwegian barque *Ole Smith Plough*, Andersen, cleared yesterday for Bristol, Eng., with 5,625 barrels rosin, valued at $9,614, shipped by the S. P. Shotter Company.

— There will be service in Anniversary Hall of the First Presbyterian church to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock, conducted by one of the elders. There will be no service at night.

— Rev. F. S. Stickney, rector of Monumental Episcopal church of Richmond, Va., is spending a few days with his family at Carolina Beach and will hold services at the Hotel Oceanic at 11 a. m. to-morrow morning. All persons are invited to attend.

— It is said that "poets are born, not made;" but the Press Association has made one out of Brother McDiarmid, of the *Robesonian*. If, in addition to his original poem, he should offer a selected one, the STAR ventures to suggest that Minne-ha!-ha! will be the "correct caper."

— The call for a meeting to organize a Bryan-Watson club, which appears in the STAR to-day, should attract the attention of all who favor Democratic rule in North Carolina and the country at large. Next Wednesday night is the time fixed for the meeting, when the STAR hopes the Democrats of Wilmington will turn out with full ranks.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—1 bale cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 11 bbls tar, 23 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—24 casks spirits turpentine, 134 bbls rosin, 23 bbls tar, 39 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—27 casks spirits turpentine, 175 bbls rosin, 24 bbls tar, 6 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—41 casks spirits turpentine, 181 bbls rosin, 8 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R. R.—44 casks spirits turpentine, 14 bbls crude turpentine.

Steamer D Murchison—103 casks spirits turpentine, 205 bbls rosin, 85 bbls tar, 18 bbls crude turpentine.

Steamer Daggett—12 casks spirits turpentine, 58 bbls rosin, 45 bbls tar, 2 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 1 bale; spirits turpentine, 255 casks; rosin, 748 bbls; tar, 196 bbls; crude turpentine, 101 bbls.

Special Schedule on the Sea Coast Road.

A special train will be run between Greenville and Ocean View during the encampment. The following is the schedule: Leave Ocean View, 8 30; leave Greenville, returning at 9 a. m., arriving at Ocean View at 9.45 a. m.

Trains will leave Wilmington for Ocean View as follows: At 6.30 a. m., 10.10 a. m., 2.30 p. m; 5.10 p. m, 7.15 p. m., 10.30 p. m. Trains will leave Ocean View for the city as follows: 7.30 a. m., 11 a. m., 4. p. m., 6.10 p. m., 7.20 p. m, and 10 p. m.

The Excursion Yesterday.

Despite the inclement weather yesterday the steamer *Wilmington* carried down large crowds to Carolina Beach, the occasion being the excursion given by the Oriental Pleasure Club. As usual, the boys gave everybody a good time. A string band furnished music and dancing was kept up until 11 o'clock last evening.

This is the third excursion given this season by the club. The members of the committee who worked so faithfully to make the day a success were, Will West, manager; L. O. Smith, Will Utley and Walter Galloway.

City Court.

In the City Court yesterday, Mayor W. N. Harriss presiding, the following cases were disposed of:

George Covington, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, was adjudged guilty and sentenced to pay $5 fine and costs.

Cornelius Stone, colored, disorderly, was fined $20 and costs, or thirty days on the chain gang.

N. C. STATE GUARD.

THE SECOND REGIMENT IN CAMP AT WRIGHTSVILLE.

Signal Gun Fired and State and National Flags Thrown to the Breeze—All the Companies Present.

STAR HEADQUARTERS,
CAMP NADAL,
WRIGHTSVILLE, N. C., July 17, '96.

A few minutes walk from Wrightsville station, along a narrow, picturesque road, winding in a southerly direction and skirting the broad expanse of Wrightsville Sound, is Camp Nadal, abounding in beautiful moss covered trees, and blending with the white tents into a lovely military picture. Upon the summit of a beautiful incline, the tents are pitched in full view of "old ocean's wide and blue expanse," and directly in front of Mr. Pembroke Jones' beautiful summer residence.

The parade grounds are situated upon an elevated plateau, all the debris and undergrowth having been removed.

The Encampment of '96 is now a thing of the present. Blue coats and brass buttons greet us on all sides, white tents loom up around, and amid the bustle and hustle, the rap-tap of the drum and the orders of the officers, we realize that law and order are here; realize that the flower of the good old North State are "in times of peace preparing for war," ready to undergo the hardships of war and prepared, should the occasion demand it, to uphold with equal fortitude and honor the record of illustrious ancestors.

Yes, the boys of the gallant Second are here and with their coming, Wilmington throws open her heart and her homes and welcomes them one and all to the pleasures and privileges which the "City by the Sea" affords. They are a manly, gallant-looking set—regular old tar-heels, with the same look of grit and determination stamped on their faces which gave to the gallant Pettigrew and his brave followers an immortal place on the bloody pages of "Civil War History." The boys are here for a purpose, instruction and pleasure; and under the command of men learned in tactics and used to discipline and order, it goes without saying that they will accomplish the purpose of their visit and return to their homes with a feeling of duty done, and at the same time well repaid by pleasures for the work undertaken.

The boys mean business, and judging from the trim bearing and the quick step of the companies as they marched over the shell-road from Wrightsville depot to Camp, the people of Wilmington can look forward to some good drilling and pretty execution of difficult figures.

The Hornet's Nest Riflemen arrived over the S. A. L. this morning and were the first company to enter camp. They brought down a fine band, consisting of twenty pieces, with Drum Major Trasan at their head.

The Lumber Bridge Company arrived in the afternoon and proceeded directly to Camp.

The Sampson Light Infantry and the Wilson Guards arrived on a special over the A. C. L. in the morning.

Inspection was held at the W. L. I. Armory this morning at 8 30, after which the boys proceeded to the Princess street station and boarded the 10 o'clock train for Wrightsville.

Immediately upon arrival at Wrightsville the companies marched directly to Camp Nadal and took position at once. An hour or so was given the soldier boys to fix up their tents.

Dinner was served at 1.30 p. m. and a regular old Wrightsville dinner it was. It was a capital dinner and the pig fish, that dark, dusky denizen of the briny deep, figured very prominently.

CAMP NOTES.

John D. Bellamy, Jr. III, was appointed Sergeant Major of the Second Regiment. Score one for the W. L. I.

Alf. Williams, that good looking boy of the Sampson Light Infantry, is very anxious about that "girl he left behind."

Well, Well! Old P. D. Gold, of the "Roman nose fame," is here. He has made numerous mashes since his arrival.

But can't the W. L. I. boys yell, "Rum, rum, rum; rum, rum, rum, we're the boys from Wilmington. Rock and rye, rock and rye, we're the boys of the W. L. I."

And may be the Frazier Family aren't musical. We would hate to think. There are not but three of them in the Second Regiment Band, and each one plays like a trooper.

What t'ell is the matter with the great and only "STAFF."

Sid. Alexander, of Charlotte, is here, and by a big majority, too, not to mention "Sly" Robinson—he of base ball fame.

The Raines Eatum Up Club met shortly after arrival at Camp Nadal and elected the following officers: Commissary, McKoy; Major General, Bellamy; Colonel, Lewis; Lieutenant, Wright; Captain, Peschau; First Sergeant, Woodward; Mascott, Miss Lillie Masten, Winston, N. C.; Magnet, Miss Marie Wendenberg, Richmond, Va.

Its object is to help on to victory the defunct Prohibition party (we'd hate to think). Anyhow "she" is there to stay, so says Eddie McK.

This is the great and only staff: Commodore, N. Smith; Colonel, Julius Sternberger; Sergeant and Singer, R. C. Cowan; Major, E. B. Barkheimer; First Lieutenant, N. Gilligan; Second Lieutenant, Buck Burkheimer.

The Mayor will hold court to morrow at 10 a. m.

BRYAN-WATSON.

A CAMPAIGN CLUB TO BE ORGANIZED NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

In Response to a Request of Many Democrats the Executive Committee Calls a Meeting to Organize For the Campaign.

In obedience to the wishes of the undersigned citizens, the Executive Committee request all Democrats of New Hanover County to meet in the City Court Room, at the City Hall, on Wednesday evening, July 22d, at 8 30 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a Bryan and Watson Democratic Club.

H. McL. GREEN,
Chairman County Democratic Executive Committee.

We, the undersigned citizens, request that a meeting be held at an early date at the City Hall for the purpose of organizing a Bryan and Watson club for New Hanover county.

H. McL Green,	W. L. Jacobs,
O A. Wiggins,	C. M. Harriss,
E. H. Moore,	H. J. Gerken,
Neill McIntosh,	C. W. Polvogt,
James Madden,	Walker Taylor,
A. J. McEachern,	R. L. Holmes.
S. A. Swain,	H. Burkheimer,
U. M. Robinson,	G. W. Huggins,
C. C. Covington,	P. Heinsberger,
W. L. Willilord,	A. S. Holden,
R. W. Hicks,	C. W. Yates,
B. W. King,	I. L. Greenewald.
H. P. West,	Wm. H. Green,
O. M. Fillyaw,	Platt D. Cowan,
W. W. Yopp,	James B. Huggins,
James Monroe,	W. G. Farmer,
H. W. Collins,	N. F. Parker,
D. M. Williams,	E. H. Saeed,
R. H. McKoy,	J. Weil,
J. H. McRee,	J. W. Robinson,
Frank H. Stedman,	Samuel Blossom,
James C. Munds,	W. A. Whitehead,
F. A. Lord,	J. H. Taylor, Jr.,
Dub. Cutlar, Jr.,	H. K. Holden,
Sam P. Collier,	Charles D Foard,
James K. Collier,	E. Schulken,
E. L. Davis,	D. C. Whitted,
Roger Moore,	J. H. Hardin,
R. H. Pickett,	J. E. Bloodworth,
Julius Weil,	W. R. Kenan,
J. W. Dals,	W. B. McKoy,
L. B. Pennington,	M. H. Kelly,
A. Adrian,	Jno D Woody,
W. C. VonGlahn,	T. G. Evans,
J. A. Taylor,	J. H. Durham,
A. G. Warren,	Walter E. Yopp,
Robert S. Collins,	W. M. Canaday,
T. G. Pickett,	J. W. S. Harvey,
John W. Reilly,	Thomas Quinlivan,
R. H. Chasten,	John L. Cantwell,
F. T. Skipper,	W. A. McGowan,
J. H. Beery,	W. M. Howey,
J. W. Branch,	J W. Alderman,
L P. Love,	Neill McKinnon,
F. W. Kerchner	Jno. W. Plummer,
Wm. H Bernard,	J. D. Bellamy, Jr. Jr.
R. F. Hamme,	Marsden Bellamy.
Wm. A. Willson,	Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr.
J. W. Jackson.	Jos H. Watters,
S. A. Schloss,	J. W. Perdew,
A. A. Nathan,	Jno. L. Boatwright.
J. G. Barentine,	F. E. Hashagen,
Geo. W. Chesnutt,	James H. Taylor,
J. M. Bunting,	J. Hicks Bunting.
Andrew Smith,	E W. Manning, Jr.
W. L. Burkheimer,	Victor E Zoeller,
W. C. Galloway,	W. N. Harriss,
S. M. Empie,	A. M. Waddell,
Jno. M. Cazaux,	J T. King.
B. W. Dunham,	W. H. Howell.
W. G. Yarborough,	Jos C. Shepard, Jr.
T. J. Newsom,	W. P. Toon,
W. H. Yopp,	T. Wright Meares,
W. P. Oldham.	

Clarendon Yacht Club Dance.

One of the pleasant features of the first day of the Second Regiment Encampment was the dance given by the Clarendon Yacht Club in honor of the visiting military.

Refreshments were served at 9 30 p. m., adding greatly to the pleasures of the evening. Mr. W. A. French, Jr., deserves great credit for the admirable manner in which the affair was conducted.

Mr. William J. Bellamy, in behalf of the Clarendon Yacht Club, delivered the prizes to the successful competitors in the canoe race in an extempore speech.

The lady visitors were Miss Nan Wood, Winston, N. C; Miss Fuller, Laurens, S. C.; Miss Young, Washington, D. C.; Miss Nellie Harding, Cheraw, S C; Miss Lillie Masten, Winston; Miss Wendenberg, Richmond, Va.; Miss Huley, Salisbury; Miss Baldwin, Annapolis, Md.

Pleased With Wilmington.

In a telegram to the Charlotte *Observer*, editor Caldwell says: "Wilmington has been all kindness. The attendance has been fair and the enjoyment of the editors complete."

Editor Stevens has quite a long article in the Newbern *Journal*, headed "Wilmington's Welcome," from which we make the following extracts:

The entertainment of the North Carolina Press Association at Wilmington this week, from its social side, will always be a pleasant memory to those who were so graciously entertained.

To the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is the credit due that the Press meeting was held in its city, and the successful entertainment which was given the members of the Press.

The Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington is doing a great work for its city, and the manner in which it is presenting its city's various advantages to the entire public is having a noticeable effect upon Wilmington's development.

Of the good things, in and around Wilmington, the Press of North Carolina has this week partaken of very fully with profit and enjoyment.

The efforts of the STAR and *Messenger* very ably seconded the Chamber of Commerce and added greatly to the occasion.

Our Last Visitors.

Messrs. J. W. Bailey, of the *Biblical Recorder*, and Thos. J. Pence, of the *Press Visitor*, were the last of the editors to call at the STAR office yesterday afternoon. This is a good pair to draw to. Bailey represents the religious and Pence the secular feature of journalism. Both expressed themselves as delighted with their visit to Wilmington and promised to come again. They left for Raleigh at 7 p. m.

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 20 cents. tf

GENERAL JOHNSON.

RETURNS FROM CUBA—SAYS THE REBELS WILL NOT ABANDON THE STRUGGLE UNTIL THE INVADERS ARE ROUTED.

Yellow Fever Scourge Very Rapidly Depleting the Spanish Lines on the Trocha—Rebel Army Preparing for a Master Stroke and Determined to Win, Even at the Total Devastation of the Island.

General Bradley T. Johnson, who has been investigating affairs in war-ridden Cuba for the *Journal*, returned to this port yesterday on the Ward Line steamship *Vigilancia* from Havana.

"My leaving Havana was entirely voluntary. I could have remained longer had I desired. I received no notice or hint that my presence was undesired, and I left when it suited me."

"Cuba is lost to Spain," were his first words regarding the struggle in the West Indian Island. "That Spain can never again subdue Cuba may be regarded as conclusive," he continued. "There is no possibility of the Spaniards, with their present or with any other force, crushing the revolution. The whole island is in arms against them. The ranks of the insurgents are daily recruited by the best blood in the island. The leading social clubs in Santiago de Cuba and in Havana have been recently broken up, and the members have gone to the field.

"A large number of students of the University of Havana have left their classes and joined the rebels. This shows the earnestness with which the Cubans regard this struggle. They will never give up, and the indications now clearly point to their ultimate success.

"The reported death of General Antonio Maceo, or of Jose Maceo, is false. I had a letter from General Aguirre's before I left Havana. The messenger who brought this missive had just left Antonio Maceo in the field. The messenger denounced the report that one or both of the Maceos had been killed as Spanish lies.

"As to the rebel chances, they are certainly good, and far outweigh the prospects of the Spanish. It is generally understood in Cuba, among those who have daily confidential communications from the rebel army, that General Maximo Gomez is preparing to strike a great and decisive blow in the near future.

"I do not understand, if this is so, why Gomez allowed his intentions to be disclosed, but certain it is that Gomez is moving from Puerto Principe eastward toward Maceo's troops, and this looks like a projected combination of two forces. What the proposed plan of action is I could not definitely learn, but the feeling is strong among Cuban sympathisers in Havana that Gomez will attempt a decided move very soon.

Yellow fever is doing destructive work along the Spanish lines in the trocha. It is certain to become epidemic, though the doctors are fighting it. The Spanish losses through this scourge will be frightful. In Havana the disease has as yet made little headway, although a few cases have developed in the slums.

"The war is not likely, in my opinion, to end soon unless the United States interferes. The Cubans will not abandon the fight until the Spaniards are driven from Cuba, and, if necessary, the island will be practically destroyed and the Spaniards starved out. Such is the spirit of resistance displayed by the rebels. The war, therefore, will be long, as I say, unless the United States interferes. American property is being destroyed and American citizens ruined daily because the United States does not act.

"For what is the President waiting? Why doesn't he move? American interests demand that he shall strike sharp and quick and hard."

TRIBUTE TO BRYAN.

A Purer Patriot Does Not Live—Independent of Leaders and Bosses.

James Creelman, the well known *World* correspondent, writes as follows, from Salem, Ill., of the young Democratic leader:

"The more I see of this earnest, stainless man and the more I learn of the way he set out in his childhood to be President of the United States, never halting for a moment in his purpose, the more I am convinced that a purer patriot does not live. He seems to be absolutely without self-consciousness. His nomination was accomplished without deals of intrigues, and he acts here like an unmortgaged man, free to do or say what he pleases. No politician has any special access to him. He feels so sure that the common people will overwhelm McKinleymen that he refuses to make pledges of any kind.

"Mary," he said to his wife when he was nominated, "if I am elected I will be President myself, and I will be the people's President." It is impossible to be with Mr. Bryan out here without being impressed with his independence of leaders or bosses. He proposes to be the leader himself. No man has a mortgage on Mr. Bryan.

"Mr. Bryan has decided to get up before daybreak to morrow and ride to St. Louis on the milk train. He has refused to consider the question of a special train. The correspondents who are accompanying him on his journey to Nebraska are alarmed at the prospect of campaigning with a man who has been known to ride across country fifty-two miles and make two three-hour speeches in one day. The trouble just now is that Mr. Bryan shows a disposition to talk too much.

"Still no congratulations from the Democratic leaders of the great Eastern States, still no word from the White House. Can it be that Mr. Cleveland has not heard of Mr. Bryan's nomination?"

Populists For Bryan.

A correspondent of the Charlotte *Observer*, writing from Concord, July 16th, says:

No. 1 township is the hottest bed of Populism in North Carolina, but in conversation with one of the most prominent in that party from that township he stated that "his people would all heartily endorse Bryan and Sewall, and predicted that Democracy would carry North Carolina by 50,000 majority in November next."

REPLY TO "PEDESTRIAN."

EDITOR STAR—In reply to "Pedestrian," in yesterday's paper of this date, his two questions are easily answered, viz:

The bicyclists were obeying the law.

The boys with the goat carts were disobeying the law; and it was his duty to get their names, have them arrested, by going to the City Hall, swearing to the charges and then appearing in person as a witness at the trial. This will be justice and will help to execute the laws of our city. Will he do it?

Very respectfully,
ONE OF THE ALDERMEN.

The Churches.

Grace Methodist E. Church, South, northeast corner of Grace and Fourth streets, Rev. R. A. Willis, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a m and 8.15 p m. Experience meeting at 10 a m in the lecture room. Sunday school at 4.00 p m. Weekly prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday evening at 8.15 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend the services.

Fifth Street M. E. Church South, situated on Fifth street, between Nun and Church, Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m and 8.15 p. m. by the pastor. Class meeting will be held at 3.30 p m. Sunday School at 4 p. m. The public cordially invited to all services.

First Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Market street, Rev. Will. B. Oliver, pastor. Preaching to-morrow at 11 a. m and 8.15 p. m., by Rev. L. R. Pruett. Sunday School at 4.30 p. m. Prayer and praise service Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Public cordially invited to all services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 a. m. and 8.15 p. m. Sabbath School at 4 p. m. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8.15 p m. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets; Rev. J. B. Harrell, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8.00 p. m. Sunday School at 2.30 p m. Weekly Prayer Meeting Wednesday night at 8.00.

Chapel of the Good Shepard, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a m and 8 p m.

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On and after July 15th there will be no 12 30 p. m. freight train on the W. S. C. R. R. Freight will be carried at 6.30 a. m., 10.10 a. m. and 5.10 p. m.
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