

Guaranteed Best-Grade, Every-Day
Circulation Larger Than That
Of Any Other Daily News-
paper Published in
Wilmington.
OLDEST DAILY NEWSPAPER
IN THE STATE.

THE MORNING STAR.

VOL. LXIII.—NO. 104.

WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1899.

WHOLE NO. 9,809

The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Senator White, of California, spoke against the acquisition of the Philippines in the Senate. In the House little business was transacted. The body of a richly dressed young woman, supposed to be one of the party on the ill-fated naphtha yacht Paul Jones, was found on the Gulf shore below Miami. Geo. Hite, white man, who murdered a negro, hanged at Boydton, Va. Gen. Otis cables that the health of troops at Manila is good. Dispatches received at Madrid say that Filipinos demand recognition of their government as the condition of release of prisoners; a similar demand has been made upon the Pope of Rome, as a condition for the release of clericals. Severe earthquake shocks in Greece; in one village fifty children injured. Bill introduced in the House of Representatives providing that no person practicing polygamy shall be eligible to be a member of either house of Congress. Two negroes escaped from jail at Anderson, S. C. One was shot and killed and the other captured. A mob attacked the house of Farmer Rustin, at Colquhoun, Ga.; killed a boy and fatally wounded old man Rustin; the cause of the shooting was because Miss Rustin had sworn out a warrant for a man named Phillips; the latter, his father and two brothers and others are in jail. Smallpox is prevalent in many counties of Mississippi; the infection is traced to Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia and other States. New York markets: Money on call steady at 2 1/2 per cent.; cotton steady, middling upland 6 1/2; flour was more active on spring wheat varieties but quiet on other wheat. Spot firm: No. 3 red 80 1/2; corn—spot firm: No. 3 43 1/2; rosin dull; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23.
Temperature: 5 A. M., 44 deg.; 8 P. M., 55 deg.; maximum, 60 deg.; minimum, 43 deg.; mean, 52 deg.
Rainfall for the day, 1.1; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1.71.
FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—For North Carolina—Rain; fresh southeasterly winds.

Port Almanac—Jan. 24.
Sun Rises 7:09 A. M.
Sun Sets 5:16 P. M.
Day Length 10 H. 07 M.
High Water at Southport 6:21 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington 7:51 A. M.

If General Eagan has any opinions about the gentlemen who will constitute the court which will try him he will keep them "embalmed" until they get through with him.

A company has been organized to bottle wind and run carriages, wagons, etc., with it. If a Congress or State Legislature can be run by wind why can't a wagon?

It is said that one of the companies which proposes to construct the Nicaragua canal has \$1,000,000,000 behind it. Well, then, why the mischief doesn't it buy Nicaragua and Costa Rica and cut the ditch?

General, Ind., reports a wife-selling case in which the deciding consideration was \$3 and a hat. Whether the inference from this is that there is a surplus of women and a shortage of dollars and hats in Indiana is not quite clear.

As Quay has got it down to thirteen votes he thinks he can run down to Florida and do some tarpon fishing and leave his lieutenants to fish for the thirteen. He will leave them the right kind of bate and enough of it.

A retiring army doctor has achieved some fame at San Francisco by being arrested for being encased in a half a mile or so of silk goods, which he was wearing as a protection against the customs collectors. The little game of smuggling didn't work and he had to stink his silk casing.

A noted railroad tramp, known as "Railroad Jack, the Hammock Rider," travels in comparative comfort if not in style. He has contrived a hammock which he hooks under a car, gets in and rides at ease. He says he has in the past ten years travelled over 100,000 miles in that way.

A Pennsylvania court, which decided that a fellow who did campaign work in the last election for another fellow who was elected, although there was no agreement, allowed him so much per day, and also for one pair of shoes out of the two he had worn out in tramping in the candidate's interest, but positively refused to allow for two bottles of cough medicine he consumed in keeping his throat in order. It evidently didn't want to encourage too much talk, which showed some consideration for the people.

VALUED CITIZEN DEAD

Mr. G. W. Williams Died in the City Sunday Afternoon at 1 O'clock.
PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN.
A Devoted and Unselfish Church Worker.
He Will Be Sadly Missed by Family, Church and Community—The Funeral at 11 A. M. To-day.

It is with deep sorrow that the STAR announces the death of Mr. George W. Williams, one of Wilmington's most prominent business men, which occurred at one o'clock Sunday afternoon at his residence, No. 10 South Fifth street.

He had been critically ill since last Friday, although in falling health for the past several years. On Tuesday of last week he was down town and conversed with many of his friends. He was then quite feeble, but little did those who greeted him then suspect that they would so soon be called upon to lament his death.

Mr. George W. Williams was, for many years, one of the leading and most successful business men of Eastern North Carolina and was actively identified with a number of the most important public enterprises which have given impetus to the industrial development of this section of the State, notably the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, the Carolina Insurance Company and the Wilmington Compress Company.

He was born in Chatham county, February 2nd, 1831, being at the time of his death in the sixty-eighth year of his age. His parents were Nathan and Martha Ruth Williams.

When 13 years of age he moved to Fayetteville where he remained until 1848, when, with a party of associates, he went to California to seek his fortune in the newly found gold fields, making the trip by water on a sailing vessel. The voyage was from New York all the way around Cape Horn, a trip at that time especially perilous and requiring oftentimes more than six months to reach San Francisco. He achieved no special success during his brief stay of less than two years in the California gold fields, and returned to Fayetteville where he associated himself in business with his brother, Mr. Jao. D. Williams, first as a clerk and later as a partner in an extensive mercantile establishment.

It was while a resident of Fayetteville, as a young man, that he made a profession of religion, connected himself with the Presbyterian Church and entered upon a career as a church worker, which has redounded incalculably to the wealth and substantial growth of the church of his choice, first in Fayetteville and subsequently in this city. It was largely through his efforts that methods of church government were inaugurated by the church in Fayetteville, which materially improved its financial condition.

In 1866 Mr. Williams came to Wilmington and organized the firm of Williams & Murchison, the late Capt. D. R. Murchison being his partner. Subsequently, Col. K. M. Murchison and Mr. H. C. McQueen were also associated with the firm as partners. They conducted an extensive wholesale grocery and commission business, and dealt largely in cotton and naval stores. In fact, Mr. Williams is probably best known in commercial circles as the senior member of this firm, one of the most successful ever established in Wilmington and one having an immense trade throughout the Carolinas.

They dropped the grocery department of the business in 1885, selling it to Messrs. Williams, Rankin & Co., who were, a few years later, succeeded by Messrs. Williams Bros., the present style of the firm; the proprietors being Messrs. Duncan M. and Jno. K. Williams, sons of the deceased.

Two cases, Saxapahaw Lumber Co. vs. Aberdeen Lumber Co. and Saxapahaw Lumber Co. vs. W. W. Mills, set for trial on Tuesday of next week, were continued until the first Monday of the next term.

Eight cases set for trial on Wednesday of next week were moved back to Wednesday of this week, following: E. B. Brayler vs. E. Hewlett, sheriff, et al.; Harry Schwabbevs. E. Hewlett, sheriff, et al.; W. H. Bernard vs. E. Hewlett, sheriff, et al.; Nichols Morris vs. F. W. Foster; Nichols Morris vs. Jordan Nixon; Geo. Ritter vs. Henrietta Ritter; J. W. Branch vs. F. W. Foster and J. W. Branch vs. Jordan Nixon.

Two other cases to have been heard on Wednesday of next week were moved back to Thursday of this week. They are D. D. Cameron vs. T. W. Green and wife and Junius Davis, receiver, vs. Geo. Harris, et al.

Three cases on the summons docket were disposed of as follows: Maria R. Lewis vs. Providence Life Assurance Society of New York, thirty days allowed to file complaint; The Parsons & Green Co. vs. Myers & Lewis, time allowed to file pleadings; and Standard Oil Co. vs. Eliza R. Daggett, thirty days allowed to file answer.

The cause of the radical change in the trial calendar is that Judge Timberlake intends to complete the work of the term during the present week. Court took a recess until 10 A. M. to-day.

Police Court.
Frank Mumford, col., was fined ten dollars and costs in the police court yesterday, for being drunk and down. He was unable to pay the fine and the Mayor sentenced him to 20 days work on the streets. Allen Johnson, for disorderly conduct, was given a fine of \$5 or ten days in the guard house.

LOCAL DOTS.

There was nothing doing in the spirits turpentine market yesterday. Forty-five casks were received against 35 casks received same day last year.

An effort will be made to-night at the Y. M. C. A. to organize an orchestra. All members who play on any instrument are urged to attend the meeting.

Mr. T. O. Bunting, acting for ex-Sheriff Hewlett, yesterday at noon sold several tracts of land for taxes to the highest bidder. Satisfactory arrangements were made in all the cases but two.

A party of seven gentlemen from Chester, Pa., arrived on the A. C. L. train yesterday morning and went down the W. & N. Railroad yesterday on a hunting expedition. They expect to remain in this section a week or more.

Eleven of the soldiers, who recently received honorable discharges from Fort Caswell, came up on the Wilmington yesterday afternoon and left at 7 o'clock, via the A. C. L., for their homes. Most of them came from Baltimore.

Cotton advanced an eighth again yesterday, being quoted at the closing at 5 1/2 cents for middling. The receipts were 725 bales, against 639 on the corresponding day last year was 5 1/2 cents.

Contractor Hanna will begin at once the repairs to the interior of the Mayor's office and the room of the Board of Audit and Finance at the City Hall. Janitor Benson moved all the furniture from the Mayor's office yesterday and work will begin to-day.

The captain of the schooner Harvest reported at the City Hall late last night that between 8 and 10 o'clock the cabin of his vessel was broken open and articles to the value of about \$5.00 stolen. There is no clue to the guilty parties. The Harvest is at Messrs. Hall & Pearsall's wharf.

The Messenger and the STAR are getting close to each other, the business office and editorial rooms of the former having been removed to the building on Princess street four doors east of the STAR office. The mechanical department of the Messenger remains at the old stand pending arrangements for a new location for the offices and plant.

The box sheet for the reservation of seats for the next Star Course entertainment, A. A. Farland, the barjost, will open next Monday, the 30th. The seats reserved at this time will also hold good for the next number, the lecture by Hamilton W. Mabie. All members of the Y. M. C. A. are urged to procure their passes for the Star Course without delay.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Proceedings in Yesterday's Session of the Legislature of North Carolina.
SCHOOL FUND DISTRIBUTION.
Proposed Constitutional Amendment—A C. L. Charter Amendment—A Bill to Deed the Old Court House of New Hanover to Reserves.
[Special Star Telegram.]
RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 23.—The House was called to order at 10 o'clock by Speaker Connor. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Leavitt, of Fayetteville.

Of the nine petitions presented, five asked repeal of the merchants' purchase tax. One of these was from the Merchants' Association of Wilmington, and was presented by Mr. Willard.

Among the bills introduced were the following:

By Rountree: To amend section 603 of the Code; to protect land owners against depreciation of tenants.

By Davis: To regulate salaries and fees of registers of deeds.

By Willard: To provide a new stock law for New Hanover.

By Foushee of Durham: To provide separate waiting rooms in depots.

By Stevens of Union: An anti-trust bill.

By Welch: To allow the town of Edenton to sell certain lands for school purposes.

By Craige: To give judges the power to debar attorneys from practice in courts when guilty of immoral and irreputable acts, and power to appeal in given such attorneys to the Supreme Court.

Representative Stubbs introduced a bill to amend Section 2, Article 9, of the Constitution. The amendment provides for an equitable distribution of the school fund raised under the general law, between the counties, and in addition to the fund under the general law, provides that the people of any race living in any county, city or township, by act of the General Assembly, may levy for educational purposes a property or poll tax of citizens of that race.

Mr. Rountree, of New Hanover, introduced a bill to incorporate divisions of the Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Co. under laws of North Carolina, as follows: To amend and re-enact Chapter 284, of the Laws of 1893, concerning the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company, and to authorize that company to change its name to Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of N. C., to ratify the consolidation of the Petersburg Railroad Company, under the name of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of Virginia, and to incorporate the said A. C. L. Railroad Company of Virginia in North Carolina; to likewise incorporate the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad and the Cheraw and Darlington Railroad Company of South Carolina, under the name of the A. C. L. Railroad Company in the State of North Carolina; to declare the Southeastern Railroad Company a duly incorporated company and to amend and enlarge its charter.

By Rountree of New Hanover: To authorize the county commissioners of New Hanover to deed the old court house in Wilmington to the Wilmington Division of Naval Reserves.

Mr. Leatherwood introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a joint committee to which all matters relating to justices of the peace be referred.

The bill for the relief of married women, removing disabilities as to real estate rights, passed a third reading without objection.

Bill for the relief of A. L. Swinson, enrolling clerk of the last session Legislature, came up in an amended form.

In the Senate.
Among the bills introduced in the Senate were the following: To prohibit fast riding and driving in Onslow county; to remove defects in wills in Pamlico county; to change the manner of election of officials in Hertford; to increase the number of commissioners in Perquimans county; to incorporate the Pamlico Christian Endeavor Society; to amend the charter of the Goldsboro Lumber Company.

Bills were passed as follows: To amend the charter of the City of Fayetteville; to improve the condition of roads in Anson county; to authorize citizens of Bertie county to issue bonds for special tax; to amend Section 1308 of the Code with regard to drainage of lowlands; to change the name of Harriiston, Pitt county.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.
W. & N. Railroad—104 bales cotton, 2 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.
C. & A. Railroad—285 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 4 barrels rosin, 217 barrels tar.
Carolina Central Railroad—18 bales cotton, 49 barrels tar.
C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 128 barrels rosin, 108 barrels tar.
W. & N. Railroad—148 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 7 barrels crude turpentine.
Steamer Driver—5 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 40 barrels rosin, 140 barrels tar.
Steamer Croesus—10 barrels tar.
Gause's Flat—5 barrels spirits turpentine.
Sloan's Flat—12 barrels cotton, 145 barrels rosin.
Parker's Flat—125 bales cotton; 275 barrels rosin, 116 barrels tar.
Deer's Flat—12 barrels spirits turpentine, 125 barrels rosin.
Total—Cotton, 725 bales; spirits turpentine, 45 casks; rosin, 717 barrels; tar, 551 barrels; crude, 9 barrels.

MANAGERS CITY HOSPITAL.

The Board Met Yesterday Afternoon—Dr. Chas. P. Bolles Elected As Superintendent—Other Business.
The Board of Managers of the City Hospital met at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Col. Roger Moore presided and the following members were present: Col. A. M. Waddell, Mr. W. H. Sprunt, Capt. Jno. Barry and Mr. W. F. Alexander.

Upon motion of Mr. Sprunt the resignation of Dr. J. D. Fife was formally accepted, to take effect when his successor has been elected and enters upon his duties.

Col. Moore read a communication from the Board of Regents recommending Dr. R. S. Turlington, of Bennettsville, S. C., for the position of Superintendent, and also a petition from about sixty business men and physicians asking for the appointment of Dr. W. W. Lane to the same position. Mr. Sprunt also nominated Dr. Chas. P. Bolles for Superintendent.

A lengthy discussion ensued as to whether the Board of Managers had the right to elect regardless of the recommendation of the Board of Regents. The matter was at length decided by a ballot for Superintendent, which resulted in the election of Dr. Bolles by a vote of 3 to 2.

Dr. Bolles is at present doing hospital work in New York city, but will resign at once and take charge of the hospital here. He is a promising young physician, and a native of Wilmington, being a son of Capt. C. P. Bolles, who is now in the government service at Washington. His many friends here will hear with much pleasure of his election.

Miss Bunting, Frederick was elected unanimously to the position of head nurse at the hospital and Mr. James M. Hall was elected interne or druggist.

There being no further business for consideration the board adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Produce Exchange Mourns the Loss of Mr. G. W. Williams—Will Attend the Funeral in a Body To-day.
There was a meeting of the Wilmington Produce Exchange held at noon yesterday. President H. G. Smallbones announced the death of Mr. George W. Williams, who was for many years an active member. A number of the members in attendance addressed the meeting, paying high tributes to the deceased.

On motion of Capt. W. R. Kennan a committee was appointed to draft suitable resolutions. Capt. Kennan, Mr. William Calder and Mr. H. K. Nash, Jr., were named on the committee. They reported the following which were adopted, to-wit:

We have heard with sorrow of the death, on Sunday, the 23rd inst., of our esteemed fellow citizen and former member, George W. Williams, Esq., and recall with pleasure the many years of active commercial life which he lived among us.

One of the original founders of this Exchange, he always occupied a prominent place among the merchants of our community until he retired from active business life a few years ago, since which time we have had with regret the slow, but sure decay of those faculties which marked him during his more energetic years as a man of unusual ability in his special calling.

Resolved, That we tender to his family our sincere sympathies in their bereavement, and as a mark of our respect for his memory, it is ordered that these resolutions be spread upon our minutes; and, further, that our members be requested to attend his obsequies in a body.

All members of the Exchange are requested to meet at the Exchange apartments at 10:30 A. M. to-day so that they may attend the funeral at 11 o'clock in a body. They will leave the rooms at 10:40 sharp.

The Exchange is draped in mourning.

OTIS SKINNER'S ENGAGEMENT

Every Indication That a Large and Fashionable Audience Will Greatly Enjoy To-morrow Night.
If the interest which has been excited by the announcement of Otis Skinner's presentation of that beautiful comedy, "Rosemary," at the Opera House to-morrow night, is any indication, this popular actor is certain to play to the largest and most fashionable audience of the season. "Rosemary" has recently had unusually long runs in both London and New York, and Mr. Skinner, through an arrangement with Chas. Frohman, will give the play with a handsome mounting of scenery and costumes, and a specially selected New York company, headed by Maud Durbin, and including Frank Sylvester, John Malone, A. E. Eberle, A. J. Edwards, Henry Batin, Frank Lewis, Ruth Holt, Mary Breyer, Clara Everett and others. As Sir Jasper Thorncliffe, Mr. Skinner has been making his life elsewhere, and the papers of the various cities of the South have accorded him really remarkable praise.

"Rosemary" is the masterpiece of that interesting and talented pair of playwrights, Louis N. Parker and Murray Carson, who are producing more good plays than any other authors in England to-day. "Rosemary" established at once and firmly their pre-eminence as writers of romantic drama. It has been termed "the very pearl in their galaxy of jewels," and it is fitting that it should be presented by the chief romantic actor of the American stage, Otis Skinner.

The advance sale of seats will commence shortly after 7 o'clock this morning at Gerken's.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.
W. & N. Railroad—104 bales cotton, 2 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.
C. & A. Railroad—285 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 4 barrels rosin, 217 barrels tar.
Carolina Central Railroad—18 bales cotton, 49 barrels tar.
C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 128 barrels rosin, 108 barrels tar.
W. & N. Railroad—148 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 7 barrels crude turpentine.
Steamer Driver—5 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 40 barrels rosin, 140 barrels tar.
Steamer Croesus—10 barrels tar.
Gause's Flat—5 barrels spirits turpentine.
Sloan's Flat—12 barrels cotton, 145 barrels rosin.
Parker's Flat—125 bales cotton; 275 barrels rosin, 116 barrels tar.
Deer's Flat—12 barrels spirits turpentine, 125 barrels rosin.
Total—Cotton, 725 bales; spirits turpentine, 45 casks; rosin, 717 barrels; tar, 551 barrels; crude, 9 barrels.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.
One Year, by Mail, \$5.00
Six Months, " 3.50
Three Months, " 1.85
Two Months, " 1.00
Delivered to Subscribers in the City at 45 Cents per Month.

A TRIP ON THE HORNET.

Commander Morton and Other Reserve Officers Carry a Party of Friends to Southport.
A crew of the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves made a short and pleasant trip on the cruiser Hornet Sunday. They left here at 11:30 A. M. and went to Southport, returning to the city about 7 P. M.

Lieutenant Geo. L. Morton was in command and other officers were Lieutenant H. H. Mollhenny, Lieutenant W. M. Atkinson, Ensign H. D. Miller, Chief Machinist W. T. Furlong and Assistant Chief Machinist Jno. Scott. There were probably twenty-five seamen and other reserves.

There was also a pleasant party of guests, aboard as follows: Capt. Alves Walker, Mr. M. H. Curran, Mr. E. F. Robinson, of New York, E. R. Bryan, Esq., Mr. H. M. Chase, Mr. R. B. Mason, Capt. M. W. Divine, Mr. Jessie Wilder, Capt. J. W. Harper, Mr. A. M. Waddell, Jr., Mr. Frank Maudner, Mr. J. H. Sloan and Mr. Jno. Oren, of Baltimore. The boat made splendid time and those fortunate enough to have been on board report a delightful trip.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Spring Goods
ARE ALREADY ON EXHIBITION AT
Johnson & Fore's Store.

Embroideries, White Goods, Ribbons and Laces.
THEY ARE ALSO SHOWING A BEAUTIFUL SELECTION OF WASH FABRICS, MANY BEING ENTIRELY NEW THIS SEASON.

Be sure to examine
THEIR STOCK OF
Table Linens, Napkins and Towels.

"We Are the People"

Who have for sale 2000 bushels Texas Red Rust Proof SEED OATS.

"Q" FLOUR,
and guarantee the quality even and never changes—and has given universal satisfaction.

Vollers & Hashagen,
Wholesale Grain, Provisions, &c.
124 So. 2d St., Wilmington, N. C.

OPERA HOUSE.
Wednesday, January 25th.
Engagement of
Otis Skinner,
PRESENTING THE DAUGHTER COMEDY,
"ROSEMARY."

MATCHES.
400 Gross Globe Matches.
300 Gross Coast Matches.
100 Gross No Brand Matches.
150 Gross E. & C. Matches.
100 Gross Crown Matches.
50 Boxes Toilet Soap.
30 Boxes Sponges Soap.
15 Boxes Wash Soap.
40 Boxes Borax Soap.
25 Boxes Toilet Soap.
10 Cans Liverpool Salt.
75 Barrels Salt.

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer, N. C.
For Sale.
100 barrels Choice New River Molasses.
100 barrels Choice Molasses.
200 bags Coffee.
200 boxes Tobacco.
200 boxes Lye.
Lots of other goods for sale at ROCK BOTTOM PRICES.

SAMUEL BEAR, Sr.,
123 Market Street.