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OUTLINES.

First bale of new N. C. cotton received at Morven, sold at 6 1/2 per pound. — M. Labori, one of the counsel for Dreyfus, shot from ambush on his way to the court; his condition is critical. — The yellow fever situation continues to improve. — Tarboro won the game of baseball from Union, S. C. — U. S. cruiser Olympia with Admiral Dewey has arrived at Leghorn. — The storm reached Charleston yesterday; wind storm an hour and raining heavily. — There is every indication that another call for volunteers will be issued. — Twenty-three deaths from the bubonic plague at Hong Kong. — All the cigar factories at Key West have resumed work. — New York markets: Money on call easier at 2 1/2 per cent, last loan being at 3 per cent; cotton quiet; middling uplands 6 1/2; flour fairly active, firm and higher; wheat—spot strong; No. 2 red 78 1/2; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 85 1/2; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm at 51 1/2.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE.  
WEATHER BUREAU,  
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 14.  
Temperatures: S. A. M., 82 degrees, 8 P. M., 81 degrees; maximum, 86, degrees; minimum, 74 degrees; mean, 80 degrees.  
Rainfall for the day, .11; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.76 inches.  
Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 3.7 feet.  
COTTON REGION BULLETIN.  
Heavy showers are reported during the twenty four hours ended at 8 A. M. yesterday in the Arkansas and lower Mississippi valley districts and lighter showers elsewhere. It was somewhat cooler yesterday in the Mississippi valley.

STORM MOVING NORTH.  
The following message was received last night from Washington, D. C.: — To Observer, Wilmington, N. C.: — The storm is central near the Georgia coast, moving north with somewhat increased energy. High northerly winds Tuesday, probably reaching Southern New England by Tuesday night.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.  
WASHINGTON, AUG. 15.—For North Carolina—Rain and cooler Tuesday; Wednesday, rain; high north winds.

Port Almanac—August 15.  
Sun Rises 5:21 A. M.  
Sun Sets 6:27 P. M.  
Day's Length 12:46 Hrs.  
High Water at Southport 1:32 A. M.  
High Water, Wilmington 4:52 A. M.

An Ohio woman wants a divorce because her husband "smiles" too much in her presence. His smiles average about four fingers.

One of the banners carried in the Alger parade in Detroit bore the device "Only One Alger." How fortunate for the country there is only one.

It is said that under the British law W. W. Astor can never become a British peer. But there is no law to prevent him from continuing to be a peerless ass.

They had some pretty good ship builders in those days, too. A Jewish writer suggests that no amateur could have built Noah's ship, which was 600 feet long, 100 feet broad and a three decker.

It is an ill wind that blows good to no one. Competition among the tombstone men of Flushing, L. I., has put tombstones down about one third. The thrifty can now lay in an assortment of tombstones.

The reports of the Labor Bureau show that in the thirteen years from 1871 to 1884 strikes cost labor \$163,000,000, to which is to be added \$10,000,000 paid to support strikers while idle, making a total of \$173,000,000.

The first white settler in Pierce county, Wis., liked it so well that he still holds on, at the age of something over a hundred years. His wife stuck to him and together they cultivate their little farm of thirty acres, and don't bother with help.

It is said that the Boers can furnish 17,000 warriors in the field, and that there are no better soldiers or marksmen in the world. They have splendidly equipped artillery. John Bull can down them in the long run, but in the meantime if a racket begins they may make it lively and interesting for him.

France is not the only country where there is a military prejudice against Hebrews. Sigmund S. Albert, of Lancaster, Pa., a cadet at West Point, recently resigned and the reason assigned is that he could not bear the annoyance and petty persecution on account of his race.

It is said that a number of other Hebrew cadets had had the same experience and have had to do likewise.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

N. F. Parker—Furniture, Seacoast Road—Schedule, Masonic—Meeting Will Lodge.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Two young men. For Rent—Desirable residence.

LOCAL DOTS.

License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Margaret E. Price to Mr. Walter M. Bell, both of this city.  
Four unimportant cases were disposed of in the Mayor's court yesterday morning. The charges for the most part were drunkenness and disorderly conduct.  
About 350 negroes and from 50 to 75 white persons left on Knight's colored excursion for Norfolk at 1 o'clock this morning. They will return Thursday.  
The Clyde steamer New York, Capt. A. D. Ingram, arrived Sunday morning. She has a net tonnage 2,111 and is decidedly the most handsome boat that has visited this port in several years.  
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith died Sunday morning. The funeral was from the residence, 630 South Second street, yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. W. King.  
Work was resumed yesterday by Contractor Howe on the government wharf near the foot of Princess street. All the debris has been cleared away and the work of rebuilding will be commenced in a few days.  
David Neal, colored, who works about the store of Mr. Rose mann on Market street, was committed to jail yesterday to await trial before Justice McGowan this morning, for larceny of several pair of shoes from Mr. Rosemann's store.  
Celestia Boney, colored, was committed to jail by Justice Fowler yesterday for the larceny of a pair of shoes from Keshiah Hankins, also colored. John Phillips, colored, was fined \$5 and costs for assault and battery and disorderly conduct.  
Justice W. W. Harris yesterday tried Peyton Williams, colored, on a warrant charging him with the larceny of a quantity of deer tongue wood from the farm of Mr. W. O. Johnson, in Pender county. Williams was sent to jail in default of \$50 bond for his appearance at Criminal Court.

Rev. A. T. Graham, pastor of Davidson College Presbyterian church, preached at both morning and evening services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church Sunday, in the absence of Rev. A. D. McClure, who is at present spending several days at his old home in Tennessee. Mr. McClure is expected to return about August 25th.  
The cases of Peter Bryant and Fred Hill, both colored, charged with doing scavenger work in the city without license, will be called in the municipal court this morning. They claim that the work was done under a contract existing before the enactment of the new law in this particular, and therefore they cannot legally be punished. It raises a difficult point in law.  
A number of small boys were arraigned in the police court yesterday afternoon charged with defacing the doors of a store house, corner Ninth and Market streets, owned by Mr. J. A. Montgomery and occupied by Mr. S. J. Sweeney. It was the old story of "the boy with the jack-knife," and the Mayor, after ordering all damages repaired, dismissed the boys with a timely warning to keep out of mischief in the future.

Constitution Breaking Down.  
Theodore Darkley, the Greek, detained in the county jail here as a witness in the counterfeiting cases to come up at the October term of the Federal court, had a slight hemorrhage in the outer corridor of the prison yesterday and has since been confined to his bed with sickness. Several attempts have been made by his counsel, Brother G. Empie, Esq., and Sheriff Walter G. MacRae, to secure for him some extra privileges in the way of giving him some out-door exercise with the proper precautionary measures, but thus far efforts in this direction have been in vain. In response to an inquiry written several days ago, Sheriff MacRae yesterday received a letter from United States Marshal H. C. Dockery saying that the marshal had no right to grant such privileges as were asked for and he knew of no one who had such authority except the Judge of the district. It is understood that Judge Furnell will be interceded with in Darkley's behalf. Dr. F. H. Kusell is attending the sick man during his present illness.

A SAFE RULE.

[Goldboro Argus.]  
We publish in this issue an elaborate disquisition upon the relative merits of the square "standard" bale of cotton and the newly proposed and much advocated round bale. Behind the latter is said to be the strongest "trust" in the world. It is a safe rule for the farmer to adopt, that he foster nothing that is promoted by a trust. Hence the standard square bale—that ordinary farmer can prepare for market with little ingenuity—aside from its superior merit from a commercial standpoint, should be still the bale of the farmer, and they will be wise to favor no other.

Read the advertisement of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency in this issue of the STAR.

It offers for sale some very valuable farms.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. L. D. Cherry came over from Long Creek yesterday.  
Mr. S. J. Smith, of Raynham, N. C., spent Sunday at the beach.  
Messrs. J. T. and F. M. Foy, of Scott's Hill, were here yesterday.  
Mr. T. L. Leonard, of Kelly's, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

Mr. R. D. Smith, of Jessups, was a passenger on the Driver yesterday.  
Mr. D. W. Wells, of Cronly, made business calls in the city yesterday.  
Mr. A. M. King, of Sloop Point, was making business calls here yesterday.

Miss Belle Alderman, of Fayetteville, is in the city, the guest of Miss Lulu Hart.  
Mr. Walter L. Cohoon, of the Raleigh Post, is in the city, in the interest of that paper.  
Mrs. W. R. Rutland left yesterday for a visit of several weeks to Lincolnnton, N. C.  
Mr. G. N. Leonard, of Shalotte, Brunswick county, was here yesterday on a business trip.

Mr. J. A. Bell, of Little River, S. C., is in the city, making purchases of the wholesale merchants.  
Editor E. M. Koonce, of the Jacksonville Times, was here yesterday on business connected with his paper.  
Messrs. J. C. Adams and C. N. Blue, of Aberdeen, N. C., spent Sunday at the beach, returning to their homes yesterday.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy and Geo. L. Paschua, Esq., left yesterday for Whiteville to attend the Columbus court in session this week.  
Mrs. Thomas E. Skipper, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is in the city, the guest of her father-in-law, Mr. Ira Skipper, No. 312 Campbell street.

Mr. and Mrs. Will L. Miller and son, of Memphis, Tenn., will return to the city to-day after a month's very pleasant stay at Wrightsville Beach.  
Capt. Robt. Robbins spent Sunday in the city with his family and returned to Newbern yesterday, where he is superintending some government work.

Mr. R. P. Paddison, secretary of the Moore's Creek Monumental Association, is in the city. He says there is every indication that a tremendous crowd will attend the celebration Thursday.  
Miss Gertrude Hessel Herring, Charlotte's "smallest, smartest stonemason," who has been in the city the past several days, the guest of Miss Mattie Harris, will return to her home to-day, much to the regret of many friends.  
Miss Gertrude Herring, Miss Mattie Harris and Miss Bertha Dudley, who have been honored guests at Camp Kenan, Carolina Beach, have returned to the city after a pleasant stay in camp with Col. Taylor's Boys' Brigade.

Mr. M. H. Curran will leave this morning on board the steamship New York for New York city and Saratoga Springs. While in New York he will make purchases for the Fall trade at his up-to-date tailoring establishment on Princess street.  
Miss Mabel Irwin, an attractive and popular young lady from Charlotte, who is spending the Summer on Carolina Beach, spent the past few days in the city, the guest of Miss Mary Schenk Whitaker. They both returned to the beach yesterday.

Mr. Geo. F. Alexander, president and general manager of the United Lumber Company of Springfield, Mass., is spending several days in the city. He is making a tour of the South, buying timber and placing contracts for the season. He is a guest at The Orion.  
Mr. J. F. Newsum will leave the city for Norfolk Friday, and Mr. Calvin Mueller, of Alabama, who has arrived in the city, will succeed him as assistant observer in the Wilmington office of the Weather Bureau. As previously announced, Mr. Newsum goes to Norfolk to assume duties similar to those he so well performed here.

Criminal Court Convicts.

Two penitentiary convicts sentenced during the recent term of the Criminal Court were carried to Raleigh yesterday by Jailor Millis and Deputy Sheriff Terry. They were both negroes; Jno. Perry, sentenced to life imprisonment for burglary, and W. H. Boyette, given ten years for larceny and receiving stolen goods. Superintendent Chadwick, of the county work house, also received the sheriff for fourteen convicts yesterday, all negroes. A number of these are to be taken from the work house and put on the chain gang, which the STAR reported last yesterday will be established within a month.

Arrived Saturday.

Col. K. M. Murchison, Mrs. Murchison, Miss Murchison and Mr. K. M. Murchison, Jr., arrived in New York Saturday on board the steamship St. Paul, having spent the past two months or longer abroad, much of the time in Paris. Mr. K. M. Murchison, Jr., has just graduated from the Parisian School of Fine Arts. Col. Murchison and family will spend the remainder of this season at Narragansett Pier, R. I.

MADE OUT NO CASE.

Oliver H. Dockery's Counsel to Make Motion to Re-open the Case.

FOR ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY.  
In Dockery vs. Bellamy Contest—They Want Congress to Send Committee to Investigate—Contestant's Brief and Motion Received.

It seems that O. H. Dockery and his counsel are at last beginning to realize how very weak their case in contesting the right of Hon. John D. Bellamy to a seat in the Fifty-sixth Congress is. In fact that they have totally failed to make out their case, despite all their recent "much ado" about deposition taking in the various counties of the district.

That they realize the weakness of their position is evidenced by the fact that they give notice that they will make a motion to reopen the case, and for Congress to send a committee into the district to take additional testimony.

The announcement of this intention is made in the "Contestant's" brief of facts and authorities, and also his motion to reopen the case and for Congress to take additional testimony, "copies of which were received in printed form by the contestee, Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, yesterday. A concluding feature of this voluminous document is the following:

Motion to Reopen Court.  
In conclusion contestant asks that this congress will reopen this case and take up the investigation of these unparalleled political crimes where he has been forced to leave it, and through its committee bring out and show the House the whole of the great inquiry called the election of 1898 that it may judge whether contestant can honorably claim to have been elected by the people of the Sixth Congressional District to a seat in the 56th Congress the United States from North Carolina.

In support of the motion for a new trial contestant's counsel give affidavits of the negro W. E. Henderson, who swears that he came to Raleigh to testify and was forced to flee from the city to escape bodily harm, and that of Claudius Dockery, Esq., who makes oath that many prominent citizens, Republicans and Populists throughout the district, are afraid to testify to the real conditions which existed. The "Brief of Facts" (b) gives the direct testimony of many of the witnesses, omitting in each instance, however, the cross examination, which explained away every seeming advantage which was gained by contestant. With this distorted evidence the claim is made that "Enough has been shown to the general public by the denunciatory facts and put it upon its notice and inquiry."

Hon. John D. Bellamy said yesterday that the sincerely honest Congress will send a committee here to investigate. That it would very greatly accrue to his (Bellamy's) advantage.

A Sample Fabrication.  
A ridiculous feature of the brief and one which is a fair sample of the outrageous misrepresentations with which the document teems, is the following reference to conditions in Wilmington and New Hanover county, to wit: — New Hanover county was the storm centre of the great cyclone of fraud, violence and political outrage, by which the white Democratic Government of this State, being in constantly increasing minority, wrested the government of this State, county, city and township from the hands of the lawfully elected officers, and intimidated, stamped out, killed and ran off or permanently disfranchised the rapidly increasing majority of Republicans, colored citizens, white and black, and the city of Wilmington was par excellence the home and seat of the chief organizers of the conspiracy. The revolutionaries recruited recruits throughout the State were conceived and perfected there, and the arms and ammunition for the whole district were furnished from there. Contestant regrets the disinclination of his intimidated witnesses to tell all they know, and the impossibility to secure testimony of objection, by these revolutionaries, who have testified to crimes and outrages purely political in their nature which would appeal the members of the committee who have so far followed the lead of these revolutionaries, and have vividly recalled to mind the scenes enacted in the streets of Paris in 1793 by the bloody mobs of lawfully elected officers when "in the name of virtue, terror was irrevocably the order of the day."

NORTH CAROLINA WILL RETAIN THE HORNET.

So Says Capt. George L. Morton, of the N. C. Naval Battalion—Maryland's Boat Too Small.

Capt. Geo. L. Morton, of the North Carolina Naval Battalion, returned to the city yesterday after an absence of more than a week. He was asked by a member of the STAR staff about the statement in the Baltimore Sun; republished in a recent issue of the STAR to the effect that the converted cruiser *Hornet*, now assigned to this port for the use of the North Carolina Naval militia, would soon be transferred to Baltimore for the use of the Maryland militia. Captain Morton replied that there was not the least foundation in fact for the report, that North Carolina would certainly retain the *Hornet* and Maryland would have to look elsewhere for a vessel if they change or get an additional boat.

He added that the officers of the Maryland militia selected the *Sylvia*, their present boat, about the same time he chose the *Hornet* for Wilmington, and both were taken from the Norfolk navy yard about the same time. Maryland, he says, made the mistake of selecting too small a vessel, and now they are trying to get a larger one. Some of the North Carolina *Boatmen*, Captain Morton says, remarked when they passed the vessel assigned to Maryland on leaving Norfolk when they were bringing the *Hornet* here, that Maryland's vessel could be placed on the deck of the *Hornet*, it being so small. The Maryland Reserves evidently fell in love with North Carolina's boat at that time, and now they want to get her.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE COUNTY FENCE.

Will Be Adopted To-day and Bids for Construction Advertised for—Committee Met Yesterday.

There was to have been a meeting of the County Commissioners yesterday afternoon to take final action regarding the plans and specifications for the construction of the county fence made necessary by the recently enacted "no fence law." However, the meeting was deferred until tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

The special committee, consisting of Commissioners D. McEachern, W. F. Alexander and John Barry, to whom has been delegated the task of recommending plans and specifications for the fence, met yesterday morning and prepared a report, which will be presented to the Board to-day. Col. Moore, in speaking of the construction of the fence, said yesterday that it would be necessary to have it completed not later than December 1st, as the new law goes into effect December 15th.

The commissioners will most probably advertise for bids within a few days for the fence, complete and erected; also for the fence and iron posts delivered at the depot entire at Castle Hayne or Scott's Hill, and for bids for taking the material to either place and erecting the fence.

BOYS' BRIGADE ENCAMPMENT.

Notes from the Camp Sent by the Star's Regular Correspondent.  
CAMP KENAN, CAROLINA BEACH, August 13.—To-day (Sunday) all orders were suspended except guard mount in the morning and dress parade in the afternoon. We have dress parade each afternoon at 8.30 for the benefit of visitors who come down on the 3 o'clock boat.

SPIRITS STILL ADVANCING.

Another advance in price of spirits turpentine was a feature in the day's business in naval stores on the local market yesterday. There were no sales in the morning as buyers only offered 4 1/2 cents but near the close closing yesterday afternoon purchasers became more eager and one-half cent advance was realized.

Speaking of the almost phenomenal rise in prices during the past several weeks the Savannah News of Sunday says: — "The situation in the naval store, market still continues abnormal. The price of spirits yesterday was 48 cents bid with a strong demand for export and very little stuff sold. As previously explained the situation is due to the large amount of contracts sold and the shortage in the way of reduced prices. As they are getting the most of their stuff on contract, however, they have nothing to complain of. The situation presents the remarkable anomaly of unusually high prices prevailing with nobody making any large profits. The producers sold last spring at prices from 15 to 19 cents but are indicating that the loss will be made up, and hence the buyers have little hope for the way of reduced prices. As they are getting the most of their stuff on contract, however, they have nothing to complain of. 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